

INTER-LINK

The Churnside Benefice

All Hallows South Cerney, All Saints Preston, Holy Trinity Cerney Wick and St Peter's Siddington

Today is 7th December 2025 The Second Sunday Of Advent A warm welcome to you

Today's services

9.30am	Holy Communion – followed by		All Hallows
11.15am	Family Service refreshments at 10.30am		St Peter's
This week in the parishes			
Thursday	10am	Holy Communion	All Hallows
Saturday	4pm	Carol Service	Holy Trinity
Sunday 14 th December			
9.30am	Holy Communion		All Saints
11.15am	Church Family Communion – followed by		All Hallows
	refreshments		
4.00pm	Carol Service		St Peter's

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

Saturday 13th December

4pm Carol Service - Holy Trinity Church, Cerney Wick followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Sunday 14th December

4pm Carol Service - St Peter's Church, Siddington followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Saturday 20th December

4pm Carol Service - All Hallows Church, South Cerney.

Sunday 21st December

4pm Carol Service - All Saints Church, Preston.

Tuesday 24th December - Christmas Eve

2.30pm Crib Service - St Peter's Church, Siddington.

4pm Crib Service - All Hallows Church, South Cerney. Children are invited to come dressed as an angel, shepherd or king. Extra headdresses will be available on the day.

- 9.30pm First Communion of Christmas St Peter's Church, Siddington.
- 11.30pm First Communion of Christmas All Hallows Church, South Cerney.

Wednesday 25th December - Christmas Day

- 9.30am Family Communion Holy Trinity Church, Cerney Wick.
- 9.30am Family Communion All Saints Church, Preston.
- 10.30am Family Communion St Peter's Church, Siddington.
- 10.30am Family Communion All Hallows Church, South Cerney. Children are invited to bring one of their presents to show to the congregation.

BLUE NOTES CHRISTMAS CONCERT

7pm on Saturday 13th December 2025, All Hallows Church, South Cerney. With special guests Counter Measures. Donations can be made on the door. There will be refreshments and a raffle. All proceeds will be to Mindsong, Music For Dementia.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2025

There will be 30 beautifully decorated trees on display in All Hallows Church, South Cerney until 8th December. There will be seasonal

refreshments, Made in South Cerney stall, plus other stalls and children's games. There will be a raffle which will be drawn at 4.30pm on 8th December. The opening times are:

1pm – 6pm on Sunday 7th December.

12 noon – 5pm on Monday 8th December.

LIGHTHOUSE

The next Lighthouse will be on Monday 15th December starting at 10.30am. Lighthouse is a relaxed space to be creative, explore faith, enjoy lunch and fellowship together. We start with tea and coffee and an opportunity to be creative with a variety of fun activities related to the theme and also time to chat with others. After this, we all come back together and are led in a time of informal worship. Finally, there is a delicious lunch to share, including a pudding.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

On Saturday 20th December we will be holding a Benefice Men's Breakfast in the United Church from 9.00am – 11am. An opportunity for men to meet together, chat together and eat together. Email for more information: vicar@churnsidechurches.co.uk

WINTER KIDZ!

On Saturday 17th January 2026 St Peter's Church is organising an afternoon of fun activities for the whole family called 'Winter Kidz' which will be held in the Village Hall from 2 to 4pm. Activities will include creative crafts, an edible craft, colouring, puzzles and much more. There will also be story, singing time & refreshments. The event is free and open for children of all ages.

FAITH AND FINANCE – A FINANCIAL WELLBEING CONFERENCE

'Faith and finance' will be taking place in March 2026. It's a new diocesan event designed to help us think more clearly, confidently, and faithfully about money, in our personal lives, our households, and our wider communities. Full booking details will be released in the New Year, but for now, if you are interested, save the date: Saturday 21st March 2026, from 10am to 4pm at St John's Church, Churchdown.

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Readings for Second Sunday Of Advent

Isaiah 11. 1 – 10 Romans 15. 4 – 13 Matthew 3. 1 – 12



COLLECT FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Please remember the needs of the church and the world in your prayers.

Prayers are especially invited for:
The family and friends of Kathleen Edge as they prepare for her funeral.
The family and friends of Carole Wilkinson as they prepare for her funeral.

All who live in Trenchard Gardens.

All who are seeking God's intervention, guidance or healing in their lives.

Advent God, we journey with you, to Bethlehem's stable and a new-born King, ears attuned to the song of angels, eyes alert for Bethlehem's star.

Forgive us if on our journey we are distracted by the tempting offers of this world.

Keep our hearts aflame with the hope of Christmas and the promise of a Saviour.

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Our Benefice Mission Statement

Growing in our relationship with God, caring for the whole church family, sharing the good news of Jesus in love and action.