

The Parishes of Steep and Stroud and Froxfield with Privett

in the Diocese of Portsmouth



SUNDAY 30th November 2025 First Sunday of Advent

10am Benefice Advent Communion,
High Cross

Susie Collingridge and Sue Jones
Romans 13 11-end | Matthew 24.36-44

WEEKDAY PRAYERS

Wednesdays:

Morning prayer **9am on Zoom.**

Join zoom meeting: Meeting ID: 757 0293

2891/Passcode: MPrayer

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75702932891?pwd=alRzeHlxUjVldUJl6SmdKKzdJdFVkdz09>

Thursdays:

Morning prayer **9.30-10.00am at**

St Peter's High Cross

and

Silent prayer

6.30pm – 7pm at All Saint's, Steep

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 7 December

The Second Sunday of Advent

8.30am Holy Communion, BCP **Stroud**

Romans 15. 14-13 | Luke 21.25-33

10am Parish Communion, **High Cross**

Romans 15. 4-13 | Matthew 3. 1-12

10am The TenAM, **Steep**

Invitation To Compline

sung at St John's Church, **Langrish 6pm**
on Tuesday 2nd December. Refresh the
soul with stillness and clam as the day
draws to a close.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

AMEN

POST COMMUNION

O Lord our God,
make us watchful and keep us faithful
as we await the coming of your Son our
Lord;
that, when he shall appear,
he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service
and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

PRAYERS FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNITY

Let us pray for ...

The Church Worldwide: The Anglican
Church of Australia

Our Diocese:

The Bishop, Jonathan Frost,

Haven Church, Gosport

Priest-in-Charge, Ray Driscoll.

Team Vicar, Godfrey Chigumira.

Licensed Clergy, Rachel Rider.

Anna Chaplains, Pat Hewitt and Margaret
Hay (PtO).

PtO Clergy, Jon Backhouse, John Draper,
Margaret Hay and Mike Sheffield.

Our Deanery: The churches of Holy Rood,
Empshott: St John the Baptist, Greatham;
Priors Dean; and St Peter and St Paul,
Hawkey; and their Rector Rev Richard
Wharton and Assistant Curate, Sue Jones

Our Benefice: Celia Storey, and all who are
suffering or have recently been bereaved.

Advent Discussion/ House group

Caroline Hilton is running a house group
during Advent on **Wednesdays 2pm –
4pm** she will be using Brian Draper
material the theme for this year is "Hush".
Everyone is welcome to drop in when they
can. If you wish to attend please let
Caroline know on 01730 263460.

.... And where we are

All Saints' Steep GU32 2DD

St Peter's : High Cross GU32 1EQ:

Stroud Church: GU32 1AT

Froxfield Green: GU32 1DQ

Romans 13 11-end

An Urgent Appeal

¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Matthew 24. 36-44

The Necessity for Watchfulness

³⁶ "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷ For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴² Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day ^[b] your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Don't Forget the Reverse Advent calendar at Froxfield

As we begin the season of Advent, let's focus on giving rather than receiving. You're invited to donate to the Foodbank through the 'Advent Windows' at High Cross, each day a different gift to donate. List of items can be found on the website.

All Saints' Steep GU32 2DD
St Peter's : High Cross GU32 1EQ:

Celebrate the Joy of Christmas in our churches of

Steep, Stroud, High Cross & Froxfield Green with
Privett

Sunday 30th November 4pm
Candlelit Carols, High Cross Church, Froxfield

Tuesday 9th December 6.30pm
Friends of Steep Church Community Carol service.
All Saint's, Steep

Sunday 14th December 4pm
Benefice Carol Service with Froxfield school,
High Cross, Froxfield

Sunday 14th December 6.30pm
Carol Service at Stroud Church,
Ridge Common Lane

SATURDAY 20th December 6.30pm
Privett Carols, with Froxfield Choir

Monday 22nd December 6.30pm
Carols on the Green, at Froxfield Green,
lights switch on, local musicians, seasonal refreshments

Christmas Eve

4pm Crib Service, High Cross

6.30pm Christmas Communion, Stroud Church

11.30pm Midnight Communion by candlelight, Steep

11.30pm Midnight Communion, Froxfield Green

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

10am All Age Worship for everyone, Steep

10am All Age communion for everyone, High Cross, Froxfield

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.... And where we are

Stroud Church: GU32 1AT
Froxfield Green: GU32 1DQ

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