



Diocese of Winchester

## Parish of North Stoneham and Bassett

All Saints † St. Michael & All Angels † St. Nicolas



### PARISH NEWS SHEET

24th December 2017

Fourth Sunday of Advent / Christmas Eve

#### Welcome:

We welcome you to our service today if you are a visitor and especially if you are a newcomer to the parish. This news sheet supplements the Service Booklet and a separate music sheet with the choral settings to be sung today. Notices and a calendar of events for the coming week are on the back page. More informative leaflets are at the back of the church. Please ask a sidesperson for any additional information you may require.



**Please take this leaflet home for reference.**

*Please also join us for refreshments at St Nicolas' & St Michael's after the morning service.*

#### Today's Services:

##### *St Michael and All Angels*

08:00	Holy Communion	Pres. & Pr.:	Revd Sheena Williams
10.00	Choral Eucharist	Pres. & Pr.:	Revd Sheena Williams
		Hymns:	BBC - Sheet, 52, 35, 34
		Music:	In the Phrygian Mode - Wood
		Anthem:	Mariukvæði - Sigurbjörnsson
17.00	Crib Service	Officiant:	Revd Judy Page
		Hymns:	See Service Booklet
23.30	Midnight Mass	Pres. & Pr.:	Revd Sheena Williams
		Hymns:	See Service Booklet
		Music:	Mass of St Thomas - Thorne

##### *All Saints*

16.00	Crib Service	Officiant:	Revd Sheena Williams
		Hymns:	See Service Booklet

##### *St Nicolas*

10.30	Crib Service	Officiant:	Malcolm Harper
23.30	Midnight Mass	Pres. & Pr.:	Revd Christine Whitehead
		Hymns:	BBC - 57, 58, 65, 46

**Priest-in-Charge:**

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**NB: Day off is Tuesday**

**Parish Office:**

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**Collect:**

Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Readings:**

08.00/10.00	2 Samuel 7. 11-11, 16 Romans 16. 25-end Luke 1. 26-38	OT Page 267 NT Page 156 NT Page 54
23.30	Isaiah 9. 2-7 Titus 2. 11-14 Luke 2. 1-14	OT Page 585 NT Page 205 NT Page 55

*A large print copy of the readings are available on a separate sheet, which you can take home. Please ask a sidesperson if you would like one.*

**Canticle: Magnificat Common Worship set chant**

- 1 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in <sup>1</sup> God my <sup>1</sup> Saviour; ♦  
he has looked with <sup>1</sup> favour on his <sup>1</sup> lowly <sup>1</sup> servant.
- 2 From this day all generations will <sup>1</sup> call me <sup>1</sup> blessed; ♦  
the Almighty has done great things for me  
and <sup>1</sup> holy <sup>1</sup> is his <sup>1</sup> name.
- 3 He has mercy on <sup>1</sup> those who <sup>1</sup> fear him, ♦  
from gene<sup>1</sup>ration to <sup>1</sup> gene<sup>1</sup>ration.
- 4 He has shown strength <sup>1</sup> with his <sup>1</sup> arm ♦  
and has scattered the <sup>1</sup> proud in <sup>1</sup> their con<sup>1</sup>ceit,
- 5 Casting down the mighty <sup>1</sup> from their <sup>1</sup> thrones ♦  
and <sup>1</sup> lifting <sup>1</sup> up the <sup>1</sup> lowly.





- 6 He has filled the hungry with ' good ' things ♦  
and sent the ' rich a'way ' empty.
- 7 He has come to the aid of his ' servant ' Israel, ♦  
to re'member his ' promise of ' mercy,
- 8 The promise ' made to our ' ancestors, ♦  
to Abraham ' and his ' children for ' ever.

### ***Intercessions:***

**Our Parish:** Give thanks for the feast of Christmas and pray for Christ to be born anew in our homes, churches and community.

**Our Community:** Pray for all those in our city who have no home to call their own this Christmas, and for all local shelters, meal providers and support workers who work with them.

**The World:** Pray for the people who live today in the place of Christ's birth and for all Christians in the Holy Land.

**NSAB Burma Link:** Pray for Christians celebrating Christmas, many in difficult situations where they are hungry, cold and in danger. Pray for those hearing the Christmas story for the first time this year.

**For the Sick:** We give thanks for the recovery of those who have been ill and pray for those with serious illness or facing surgery soon. We pray for Linda Beadle, Derek Brown, Mick Rich, Dennis and Joan Tranah, Mike Mayne, Yvonne Toomer, Derek Harris, Diana Gilbert, Mark Smith, Vicky Stephens, John Shakespeare, and all the elderly and frail who can no longer attend church.

**For the Departed:** We pray especially for Hilda Bowers, Keith Parkinson, Audrey King, Evelyn Bowie, Angela Gilbert, all those known personally to us and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time. We pray for bereaved families.

### ***Post Communion Prayer:***

Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Notices:

Sheena, Andrew, Ewan and Eilidh would like to thank everyone for the cards and good wishes received over the Christmas season. They are unable to reciprocate with a card for each of you, but they do wish everyone in the parish the blessings of God With Us at this time of year and throughout 2018!

There will be **no Morning Prayer** this week. We will resume again on Mon 8th Jan 2018.

Please note there will be no **Weds Coffee Morning** this week. It will resume on **Weds 10th Jan**.

**Thursday PM Bible Study:** There will be **no meeting** this week. The group will resume on 15th Feb 2018.

If you can hear what's going on a bit better at St Michael's now, that is because the sound system and hearing loop has been upgraded thanks to a very generous donation from an anonymous member of our congregation. A huge thank you to that individual for facilitating better access to our worship for everyone.

*Make sure you let Sheena, Lorna or the Wardens know if somebody has been missing from church for a while.*

Merry  
Christmas 

Please note that the Parish Office will be **closed** between Christmas and New Year.



★ *Happy Birthday to Aline Ward who is 90 years young today!* ★

Did you know the parish has 6 passes granting free entry to Winchester Cathedral which can be borrowed from the office? Call or email the office to arrange to borrow them.

It may feel quiet in the Parish after Christmas Day this week, but there will still be **Eucharist @ St Michael's on Thu 28th at 9.30am** and **Coffee Call-in @ All Saints will be running as usual on Sat 30th Dec!**

## What's On This Week:

### Monday 25th Christmas Day

08.00 SM BCP Communion (SW)  
10.00 SM Sung Eucharist (SW)

### Thursday 28th

09.30 SM Eucharist (SW)

### Saturday 30th

10.15 AS Coffee Call In

### Sunday 31st

08.00 SM BCP Communion (SW)  
10.00 SM Sung Eucharist (NB)  
11.00 AS Morning Praise at the  
Turning of the Year  
10.30 SN Sung Eucharist (SW)

*We would just like to take the opportunity to wish all who come and visit the Parish of North Stoneham and Bassett over this Christmas period, a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2018!!*