

Thought for the day

“Advent is the season that can remind us God is working while we are waiting, and we’re really waiting with God.”

Louie Giglio

Take away /delivered Sunday lunches will be on 5th & 19th December. To order yours, please contact Louise Robinson on 705479.

Friday Christmas Lunch will be on the 17th December and this will be the final one of 2021. We will restart on the 21st January 2022.

If anyone would like a lunch on Christmas Day, please get in touch with Louise telephone number 705479. We made several last year, so it is not a problem. Greetings and best wishes to all from The Foodie Team.

Parish office revised closing time as of Monday 1st November, the Parish Office will be **closing at 4pm** Monday to Friday.

Also, The office will be closed **Friday 3rd December**.

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St Edward the Confessor Church Sunday 28th November 2021 Advent Sunday

*Following Jesus, we are Called to be Caring,
Committed and Courageous.*

Hello and welcome to St Edward’s.

Services

Following government guidelines our return to public worship will be a process rather than an event and we will continue to adjust our services as the wider situation with the pandemic plays out and as we learn from our experiences.

Sunday 28 th November	Advent Sunday
8:30 Holy Communion President: The Revd Mark Russell-Smith Preacher: Martin Bailes 10:00 Holy Communion President: The Revd Mark Russell-Smith Preacher: Martin Bailes No evening service	<i>1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 p.201 Luke 21: 25-36 p.82</i>
Thursday 2nd December 10:00am Holy Communion President: The Revd Dr Susan Collier Preacher: The Revd Canon Richard Carew	<i>Isaiah 26: 1-6 p.663 Matthew 7:21,24-27 p.7</i>
Sunday 5 th December	Advent Sunday
8:30 BCP Holy Communion President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew Preacher: The Revd Dr Susan Collier 10:00 All Age Service 18:30 Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew Preacher: The Revd Dr Susan Collier	<i>Malachi 3:1-4 p.904 Luke 3: 1-6 p.57</i>

Church Open Tuesday – Friday 9.30am – 3.00pm

Mon 29th Nov	9.00-12.00 & 1.30-4.00pm	Café Open
Tues 30th Nov	9.30-12.00	Café Open
	10.00- 12.00	Needlecraft Group
Weds 1 st Dec	9.30-12.00 & 1.30-4.00pm	Café Open
	12 Noon	Praying in Company
	2.30-4.00pm	WASG
	7.00-8.30pm	Youth Group
Thurs 2 nd Dec	9.30-12.00	Café open
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	1.30-3.00pm	Contact
Fri 3 rd Dec	10.30-12.00	Little Teds
	12-2.00pm	Lunches
	6.30-7.30pm	Choir Practice

Ward Committee Meeting The next meeting will be on Monday 29th November at the Indoor Bowls Club on Thanet Road at 7pm, with a drop in session from 6.30pm. Posters will be going up around the area shortly.

Besom Christmas Hampers Last year, your generosity yielded 30 hampers which brought joy to many struggling families and individuals. We will be supporting Besom again this year. Donation items will correspond with the first letter of your surname, please refer to the poster attached or look on our website and also on the notice boards in the Atrium Café and the entrance into church. Donations can be brought in until the deadline of **Wednesday 1st December** and placed in the corresponding shopping bags along the internal ramp of the atrium café. Please check the **“use by” dates are well into January** and that Christmas puddings are alcohol free.

A Time For You And A Time For God A short guided silent retreat at Wydale Hall, Sunday 23rd January 2022 pm to Thursday January 27th am. Ideal whether it is your first experience of a silent retreat or you have already discovered the gift of such a time. Leaflets at the back of church or email/talk to Susan Collier for further details and to explore if this would be helpful for you. susan.collier@mac.com

Free to a good home Dartboard set in wall cabinet scoring section and chalk and darts. Contact Angela on 07970 303912.

Christmas Stockings Margaret Titman has made some Christmas stockings and fabric storage buckets which she hopes to sell in aid of church funds. They will be available in the Community Hall after the 10 o'clock service on **Sunday 28th November** – do come and have a look.

Advent Books are here! Please collect and settle up for your book/s at the Parish Office.

Fairtrade Goods for Christmas can be ordered through an email to fairerwrl@aol.com for delivery or collection from the shop in Gillygate. **Catalogues** are available from Isabel Young or Helen Dawe. There will not be a Fairtrade Stall this year at St Edwards.

Tea Concert Thursday 9th December 2.30pm at St Chad's Church 36 Campleshon Rd, York, YO23 1EY. Choral Christmas Classical music by Ripon Resound vocal ensemble followed by tea and cakes in the Church Hall. Free entry but donations can be made. This is a Dementia friendly event; all are welcome and there is a small car park and roadside parking nearby. Disabled access via Hall. All enquiries to Nick Nightingale 01904 689742

Roof Repairs we have been advised that a welfare unit will be arriving shortly in preparation for the long awaited roof repairs to the Scout Hut, Atrium Café, Entrance Vestibule and Hall Meeting Room. Potentially only one car parking space will be required for the duration of the repairs and this will be placed just under the vestry kitchen window.

Nativity Sets There will be a display of Nativity Sets in Church from Monday 20th December until Wednesday 22nd. If you have a set which you would be willing to loan, please contact Helen Dawe on ehdawe@hotmail.co.uk or ring her on 01904 264784. Great care will be taken of them in a stewarded display and they will be returned in time for your own Christmas celebrations. We have had offers of sets from South America and Israel/Palestine but other areas are underrepresented -this includes the UK!

Praying through loss and change: 'Goodbyes will always be with us. So will hellos. Praying a goodbye can lead us to the doorway of new beginnings. A four week in person course planned for Tuesdays in January. More details soon. Depending on interest this could be afternoon or evening or both! If you are at all interested (no commitment yet) please could you let me know whether you prefer afternoon or evening. Sheet at back of church, or tell Wendy or Louise in the parish office or email me susan.collier@mac.com

Sunday 28th November 2021 Advent Sunday

Collect for First Sunday of Advent

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. ¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Luke 21: 25-36

‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’
²⁹ Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that

summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴ ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

Prayer after 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.

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