

PARISH of WINCHCOMBE

1st January 2017

The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus



WELCOME!

In this Christmas season we celebrate the birth of Jesus, whose name means 'God saves'. At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, and so we welcome you today as we worship him together. At the beginning of this New Year, let us resolve again to follow Jesus, the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end, the Word made flesh.

TODAY'S SERVICES

ST PETER'S, WINCHCOMBE

8.00 am Holy Communion

(Traditional Language)

Preacher: James Pickersgill

10.30 am Parish Communion

(Communion music - *Glory in the highest, Slane Sanctus*)

Hymns: 36, 243, 54, 370

Readings: Numbers 6:22-end (page 129)

Galatians 4:4-7 (page 186 NT)

Luke 2: 15-21 (page 56 NT)

Preacher: Michael Hand

Please note there are no children's groups or crèche today.

6.30 pm Choral Evensong

Hymns: 240, 729, 70a

Psalm: 115

Canticles: Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis

Anthem: In the bleak midwinter - Harold Darke

Readings: Deuteronomy 30:11-end (page 193)

Acts 3:1-16 (page 116 NT)

Preacher: John Sutcliffe

CHRIST CHURCH, GRETTON

No service today

ST MICHAEL'S, STANLEY PONTLARGE

9:15am Holy Communion Preacher: John Paul Hoskins

THIS WEEK

(services at St Peter's and meetings in the Centre unless otherwise indicated)

Sunday, 1st

services as on the front page, and also:

- 10.30 am Morning Worship at the Methodist Church
- 3:00 pm Rob and Lesley Davies 25th Wedding
Anniversary Blessing
- 6:00 pm New Year's Day Celebration at
Encounter

Monday, 2nd

No service today

Tuesday, 3rd

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer

Wednesday, 4th

- 10.00 am Holy Communion followed by coffee in
the St Peter's Centre

Thursday, 5th

- 9.00 am Holy Communion
- 9:45 am Toddler Service
- 10.00 am Meeting Point at Methodist Church
- 7.15 pm Teenagers' Chill-Out at Methodist Hall

Friday, 6th

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer

Saturday, 7th

- 6.00 pm Evening Prayer

NEXT SUNDAY - First Sunday after Epiphany

St Peter's, Winchcombe

- 8.00 am Holy Communion (1662)
- 10.30 am All Age Worship
- 6.00 pm Deanery Epiphany Carol Service at
Tewkesbury Abbey

Christ Church, Gretton

- 10.00 am Holy Communion

St Michael's, Stanley Pontlarge

- 9.15 am No Service

For other churches see our website

NEWS AND NOTICES

The first **Men's Breakfast** of 2017 will be 8:30am on the January 8th at the Corner Cupboard. This is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship over a hearty breakfast. If you would like to attend, please let Mike Ferris (mike@mferris.co.uk) know.

Toddler's Service will restart this Thursday 5th January at 9:45am in the Lady Chapel. This is a lovely service for babies to preschool children and their parents/grandparents/carers. There is always tea, coffee, biscuits and a friendly chat on offer as well.

Fancy a coffee and a chat? On a Wednesday morning after the Holy Communion at 10am in St Peter's we serve tea, coffee and biscuits in the St Peter's Centre. This is a lovely chance to catch up with old friends and perhaps make some new ones! We look forward to seeing you on January 4th 2017 for the service, coffee or both.

Paving slabs wanted! Does anyone have 3 paving slabs which they would like to donate to the St Peter's Centre for us to create a parking area for the bins?

Tower Illumination - In memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, you can illuminate the Tower for a donation of £5 in support of The Friends of St Peter's. To arrange this please contact the St Peter's Centre Office at least two weeks before your required date.

Parish Magazine - Don't forget that the deadline for the February edition is the 10th January. Items to magazine@winchcombeparish.org.uk.

Looking ahead - some dates for your diary!

15 th January	Congregational Meeting
12 th Feb	Messy Church (Methodist Church)
3 rd March	First Lent Lunch
8 th April	Spring Maintenance Day
11 th June	Garden's Open
30 th June	Choir Concert
2 nd July	Church Fête

Please note the **SPC office** will re-open on Tuesday 3rd January at 9am

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
whose blessed Son was circumcised
in obedience to the law for our sake
and given the Name that is above every name:
give us grace faithfully to bear his Name,
to worship him in the freedom of the Spirit
and to proclaim him as the Saviour of the world;
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Prayer after Communion

Almighty and everlasting God,
whose incarnate Son was given the Name of Saviour:
grant that we who have shared in this sacrament of
our salvation may live out our lives in this world in
the power of the Name that is above every name,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE PICTURE ON THE FRONT of this notice sheet is
of Christ Church, Gretton.

BEFORE EACH SERVICE: You are encouraged to keep a
time of quiet reflection in order to prepare for worship.

OFFERINGS: No collection is taken at services. Please
use the offertory plate at the back of church. Better
still, why not ask about our Planned Giving scheme?

INTERNAL MAIL may be found in accordion file on the
table by the cross-aisle. Please check for your mail.



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our **facebook page**. Just search St Peter's
Church, Winchcombe.

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WEBSITE: www.winchcombeparish.org.uk

SERVICE STREAMING: Go to above website, click
'LINKS', then St Peter's Audio Service.

PRAYERLINE: please ring 07715 953076 to have
prayer requests sent to our confidential
intercessors.