

**Readings - 16 December 2007  
Advent 3 – Parish Communion**

John G - Isaiah 35.1-10  
Daphne - James 5.7-10  
Anne C - Matthew 11.2-11

**Welwyn & Villages Team Ministry Services**

	<b>St Mary's Welwyn</b>	<b>St Peter's Ayot St Peter</b>	<b>St Michael and All Angels Woolmer Green</b>	<b>All Saints Datchworth</b>	<b>St Peter's Tewin</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC 11.15am - NEFS	11.15am – M	11.15am - HC	9.30am - PC	9.30am – PC 6.30pm - ES
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC 6.30pm - CES	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am - NEFS	9.30am - PC	9.30am - PC
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am - HC	9.30am - PC	9.30am – NEFS 6.30pm HC
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC 6.30pm - ES	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am - HC	11.00am - NEFS	9.30am - PC
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am – HC	9.30am - PC	9.30am - PC

Key – CES = Choral Evensong ES = Evensong  
HC = Holy Communion HCBCP = Holy Communion using Book of Common Prayer  
SHC = Said Holy Communion M = Matins for all ages using the Book of Common Prayer  
PC = Parish Communion NEFS = Family Service for all ages without Communion

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**Sunday Club**

5's and over Lynda Dent 01438 812156

Please let Tony Charles (01438 817300) know if there is anything you would like inserted in next week's newsletter.

The information in this newsletter is also available on-line at  
[www.allsaintsdatchworth.info](http://www.allsaintsdatchworth.info) > weekly news

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**Welcome  
to  
All Saints  
Datchworth's Parish Church**

**Sunday 9 December 2007**

**Advent 2**

**Parish Communion**

**Readings: Isaiah 11.1-10  
Romans 15.4-13  
Matthew 3.1-12**

**Collect: 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. Amen.**

Our altar is open to members of all denominations. If you do not wish to receive Communion please come to receive a blessing and certainly bring any children with you for a blessing.

## **DIARY FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**Sunday 9 December – 7.30pm to 9pm** - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

**Monday 10 December - 3pm to 4.30pm** – Tea and coffee in the Church Hall with children's activities and a Traidcraft food stall every week. Please tell your friends – all welcome

**Wednesday 11 December – 2pm** - Mini Saints in the Church Hall – **9pm** – Compline at St Mary's Welwyn

**Thursday 13 December - 5pm** – Evening Prayer at All Saints

**Friday 14 December – 6.30pm to 8pm** – Tweenagers meet in the Church Hall

**Sunday 16 December – 9.30am** –Parish Communion - **12noon** – All Saints Elderberries Christmas Lunch in Datchworth Church Hall - **7.30pm to 9pm** - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

**We extend a very warm welcome** - to all our visitors.

**Do stay for coffee** and a chat in the hall after the service.

**Monthly Church Walk – CANCELLED THIS WEEK DUE TO WEATHER FORECAST!!**

**Mini Saints – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month – 2pm this week** in the Church Hall. All with young children are very welcome.

**Church Christmas Decorations** – The flower arrangers ask – if you have any holly with berries and / or seasonal greenery, please leave it in a corner of the church porch on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2007 – many thanks.

**Datchworth Parish Plan Survey** – Please see the notice on the board in the church hall.

**Elderberries' Christmas Lunch – NEXT Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2007 in the Church Hall** – Please let Anne Charles (812098) know if you can help host this event, make a trifle and / or donate a raffle prize.

**Festivity, fellowship and food – Carol Supper, 29th December, from 7pm, New Church House and St Mary's Church.** The Liturgical Drama Group brings you a candlelit evening of carols, poetry and drama. Tickets at £8 per head include a glass of mulled wine or soft drink on arrival, and supper with dessert and a glass of wine or soft drink. Tickets on sale now from Colin or Usha Hull on 01438 813794, Fiona Macdonald on 07979 354373 or from St Mary's Church Office, open weekdays 10am to 12 noon, 01438 840964.

**Ladies** – Were you feeling left out by the Men's Breakfast? If so book lunchtime on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2008 – 12 noon to 2.30pm at New Church House St Mary's Welwyn** - for the first Team Ladies Lunch. Speaker Rev Julia Boothby on "Juggling Ministry & Motherhood" + good food and fine company – tickets £7 from Anne Charles – 812098.

**"Quiz Night – Saturday 9 February 2008 at 7pm in the school hall** – a famous "Andrew Marr Quiz Night" in aid of the church redecoration fund. Please book the date, get a team together and let Andrew know on 815122 / by email at [andrew.p.marr@btinternet.com](mailto:andrew.p.marr@btinternet.com) – last time places ran out well before the day!"

**Prayers – This week we pray for –**

- **The Rt Revd J Michael Garrison Bishop of Western New York - (Province II, USA)**
- **Our link parishes of St John's, Ha Simone, Lesotho and St Paul's Wheatley Park, Doncaster.**
- **Our 14+ Group of young people.**
- **Those living in Bragbury Lane.**
- **Those who have died or who are bereaved.**
- **Those who are ill or in need, their families and their carers, especially:-** Ann Betts, Alice Burnapp, Anne Dempsey, Emily Green, Jonathan Hawes, Frederick Hall, Michael Harris, Michael Hughes, Lorna Humphries, Alan Konyn, Roger Mahoney, Mary Morgan, Roy Morgan, Eleanor Nicholas, Frances Noble, Lily Rayner, Jim Redding, Charlotte Smith, Ken Stoneman and Abigail.

**Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**