

Readings - 21 December 2008
Advent 4 - Parish Communion

Delith - 2 Samuel 7.1-11,16
Richard - Romans 16.25-27
Anne C - Luke 1.26-38

Welwyn & Villages Team Ministry Services

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

Telephone Numbers

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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 > weekly news

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Welcome to All Saints

Datchworth's Parish Church

Sunday 14 December 2008

Advent 3

Parish Communion



Readings: Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11
1 Thessalonians 5.16-24
John 1.6-8,19-28

Collect: God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of
your Son:
give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 14 December – 7.30pm to 9pm - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

Monday 15 December – Coralie's day off - 3pm to 4.30pm – Tea and coffee in the Church Hall with children's activities - please tell your friends – all welcome

Tuesday 16 December – Prayer – 2pm at 17 Raffin Park

Wednesday 17 December - 9pm – Compline at St Mary's Welwyn

Thursday 18 December – 5pm – Evening Prayer at All Saints – including Advent Study

Friday 19 December – 6.30pm to 8pm – Tweenagers meet in the Church Hall

Sunday 21 December – Parish Communion - Advent 4 - 7.30pm to 9pm - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

We extend a warm welcome - to all our visitors and to Rev Tom Gladwin who is leading our worship this week.

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

Village Carol Singing – THIS TUESDAY 16th December 2008 at 6.30pm – **Please note the new form for this year** – we will be singing on the Village Green with instrumental accompaniment – refreshments after in the sports club – proceeds to the Children's Society. Do all come and encourage your friends and neighbours to join in as well. **MINCE PIES - OFFERS STILL NEEDED – PLEASE CONTACT ANNE CHARLES – 812098.**

Carols by Candlelight – Monday 22nd December 2008 at 7pm – Bob and his friends from the Hertfordshire Chorus provide a great way to start Christmas week – followed by sherry and shortbread.

For details of all our Christmas services see www.allsaintsdatchworth.info and your copy of the Church Christmas Card.

As in past years there is a giant card “from ourselves to ourselves” – to save carbon and save money for you to donate to a charity of your choice.

Family Fun Evening – due to a clash with the school PTA'S quiz evening the family fun evening has been postponed to Saturday 24th January 2009 – please book the new date.

Chris Hills is 60 – This is an open invitation to come and celebrate with her and her family at a Barn Dance on Saturday 21st February 2009 in Datchworth Village hall - 7.30pm to midnight. Tickets are £12.50 – just bring yourselves – no present – proceeds to the Church Restoration Fund. Tickets are available from Alison Draper, Anne Charles and the Post Office.

Traidcraft - goods available most Sundays in the Church Hall after the morning service – at other times they are available on request. Please leave a note if goods are taken from stock – thank you – Anne Marshall – 813519

Anniversary or celebrating the life of a loved one? – would you like to contribute towards the cost of the flowers for that period? – contact Diana Glanville – 01438 812230 or Margaret Kirk – 01438 812734.

This week we pray for –

- **The Rt Revd Thomas Edison Irigei Bishop of Kumi - (Uganda).**
- **Our link parishes of St John's, Ha Simone, Lesotho and St Paul's Wheatley Park, Doncaster.**
- **The people of Zimbabwe, especially John and Ketani Matiza and their 3 children Trust, Tatenda and Ratidzai in Harare.**
- **Those living in Bramfield Road.**
- **Those who have died or who are bereaved.**
- **Those who are ill or in need, their families and their carers, especially:-** Carole Bates, Emily Green, Jonathan Hawes, Michael Harris, Michael Hughes, Lorna Humphries, Roger Mahoney, David Newnham, Frances Noble, George Otero, Julia Perim, Laura Redmond, Maurice Rowlandson, Eileen Shaw, Charlotte Smith, Sheila Stowe, Michael Taylor, Eric Tobitt, Betty Williams, Pippa Winton and Abigail.

**We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.**