

Readings - 22 December 2008
 Christmas 1 - 11am - Parish Communion

John W - Isaiah 61.10 - 62.3
 Marlene - Galatians 4.4-7
 Anne C - Luke 2.15-21

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
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

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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 21 December 2008

Advent 4

Christmas Family Service

Readings: 2 Samuel 7.1-11,16
 Romans 16.25-27
 Luke 1.26-38

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.

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

Monday 22 December – 7pm - Carols by Candlelight – see below

Tuesday 23 December – Prayer – 2pm at 17 Raffin Park

Christmas Eve - Wednesday 24 December – 5.30pm – Crib Service - 11pm – Midnight Communion

Christmas Day - Thursday 25 December – 9.30am – Family Communion

Sunday 28 December – Parish Communion - Christmas 1 - 11am - 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.

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

Carols by Candlelight – This 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.

Open House – Wednesday 24th December 2008 - Chris & Peter Hills extend an invitation to you to pop into 38 Bury Lane between the Crib Service and Midnight Communion for drinks and nibbles.

PLEASE NOTE – Next Sunday 28th December 2008 – the service will be Parish Communion at 11am.

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.

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 Most Revd Ephraim Adebola Ademowo Bishop of Lagos and Archbishop of the Province of Lagos, Nigeria.**
- **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 Brookbridge Lane.**
- **Those who have died or who are bereaved.**
- **Those who are ill or in need, their families and their carers, especially:-** 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.

**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.**