

Readings - 22 December 2009  
Christmas 1 - Matins

John W - n/a  
Mary - n/a  
n/a - n/a

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

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**Welcome  
to  
All Saints  
Datchworth's Parish Church**  
**Sunday 20 December 2009**  
**Advent 4**  
**Parish Communion**

**Readings: Micah 5.2-5a  
Hebrews 10.5-10  
Luke 1.39-55**

**Collect: God our redeemer,  
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of your Son:  
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our  
saviour,  
so we may be ready to greet him  
when he comes again as our judge;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. 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

**Monday 21 December** – Coralie’s Day off - **3pm to 4.30pm** – Tea and coffee in the Church Hall with children’s activities - please tell your friends

**Tuesday 22 December** – **2pm** – Prayer at 17 Raffin Park

**Sunday 27 December** – **9.30am** – Parish Communion

## CHRISTMAS DIARY

**Tuesday 22 December** – **7.30pm** – Carol Service at All Saints Church

**Thursday 24 December** – **5.30pm** – Crib Service – **11.00pm** – Midnight Service at All Saints Church

**Friday 25 December** – **9.30am** - Christmas Service & Family Communion at All Saints Church

**Welcome** - We warmly welcome all our visitors today and invite you to stay for coffee and a chat in the hall after the service.

**Sunday Club** - There will be no Sunday Club until Sunday 17th January 2010@ 9.30. We wish you a Very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the New Year. Love from Lynda, Doreen & Kath

**Christmas card** – There is a Large Christmas card (thanks Roger) at the back of church. Please add your greeting and if you wish, put a donation in the Children’s Society box. We will therefore not be sending individual cards to each other again this year.

**Open House** - Chris and Peter Hills invite you to join them for drinks and nibbles on Christmas Eve from 8.30pm

**Christingle Service** - We are collecting candles and gift aid envelopes at the back of the church to take away and use at the Christingle service. Also we will be making Christingles on Sat 9th Jan 3-4pm in the Church Hall.

## Jesus calls us here to meet him

1. Jesus calls us here to meet him as,  
through word and song and prayer,  
we affirm God’s promised presence  
where his people live and care.  
Praise the God who keeps his promise;  
praise the Son who calls us friends;  
praise the Spirit who, among us,  
our hopes and fears attends.
2. Jesus calls us to confess him  
Word of life and Lord of all,  
sharer of our flesh and frailness  
saving all who fail or fall.  
Tell his holy human story;  
tell his tales that all may hear;  
tell the world that Christ in glory  
came to earth to meet us here.
3. Jesus calls us to his table,  
rooted firm in time and space,  
where the Church in earth and heaven  
finds a common meeting place.  
Share the bread and wine, his body;  
share the love of which we sing;  
share the feast for saints and sinners  
hosted by our Lord and King

This week we pray for –

- **The Most Revd Stephen Than Myint Oo Archbishop of Myanmar and Bishop of Yangon, The Rt Revd Joseph Than Pe, Suffragan Bishop of Yangon, Myanmar).**
- **Our link parishes of St John’s, Ha Simone, Lesotho and St Paul’s Wheatley Park, Doncaster.**
- **The people of Zimbabwe, especially Bishop Chad Gandiya of the Diocese of Harare, also John and Ketani Matiza and their 3 children Trust, Tatenda and Ratidzai in Harare.**
- **Those who have died or who are bereaved.**
- **Those who are ill or in need, their families and their carers, especially:-** Bright, Elizabeth Briffett. Paul Carter, Anne Charles, Jonathan Hawes, Michael Harris, Michael Hughes, Stuart Langley, Roger Mahoney, Roy Morgan, Frances Noble, Julia Perim, Laura Redmond, Eileen Shaw, Charlotte Smith, Sheila Stowe, Michael Taylor, Betty Williams, Andree Wright.

**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.**