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The Pebble

Sunday January 2, 2022.

Christmas 2

Almighty God, in the birth of your Son you have poured on us the new light of your incarnate Word, and shown us the fullness of your love: help us to walk in his light and dwell in his love that we may know the fullness of his joy; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(Collect for Christmas 2. Common Worship, The Church of England)

WELCOME to all who are sharing in worship with us today and those who read the Pebble on-line.

The Liturgy for Today.

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist5.00 pm Evensong and Benediction

HYMNS FOR TODAY

239 Lord of all hopefulness
We sing the 3-fold Alleluia at the Gospel
36 The first Nowell
44 Faithful vigil ended (T.282)
41 Where is this stupendous stranger? (T.360)

READINGS FOR TODAY

Sirach 24: 1-4, 8-12 Psalm 147 *Response*: The word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. Ephesians 1: 3-6, 15-19 John 1: 1-18

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 60: 1-6 Psalm 72 Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2: 1-12

Parish News

Welcome to Fr David Crooke who is the celebrant and preacher at the 8 am and 10.30 am services today. Bishop Steven will be with us for Evensong and Benediction at 5 pm.

Hospitality today There will be a cuppa in the Parish Lounge after the 10.30 am Eucharist this morning and a social hour after Evensong and Benediction.

<u>New Rock</u> The new edition of our monthly magazine, The Rock, is available online, at the back of church and in the Link.

<u>Services during January</u> The full range of worship will be offered at St Peter's in January, including Evensong and Benediction.

Morning Prayer Wednesdays at 9 am in church.

<u>Mid-week Eucharist</u> Thursdays at 10 am in the Parish Lounge

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Rosemary Stott, Joy Henderson, Greta Barton, Steven Lighton, Dawn Bachop and Gay Bungard.

Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time Arthur Hill, Mary Wood, Marjorie Welch, William Bloxham (Priest), Francis Mumford and Robin Heaps. **Bishop's Companions Programme (BCP)** To be introduced this year, this programme is built around three goals of praying, reading the Bible, and living out the life of Christ and is designed to be open to all. Pamphlets are at the back of church with further information.

Covid Traffic Lights and Diocesan Recommendations.

The vestry agreed that St Peter's adopt Option 1 of the recommendations from December 18th 2021.

This requires all attending the 8 am, 10.30 am and 5 pm services on Sundays and 10 am on Thursdays to show or have shown previously, EITHER a vaccination pass OR an exemption pass.

Vaccination passes can be obtained from pharmacies that are vaccination centres or on line. You need some form of ID and it's a good idea to have your NHI number if you go to a pharmacy. Exemption passes must be obtained from your GP. We will be keeping a list of those with passes.

Wearing masks is encouraged and signing in is still needed, distancing is not necessary.

Refreshments will still be available.

All Saints holds a mass for those without vac passes at 5.30 pm on Wednesdays and a Taize service on Sundays at 5 pm.

Parish Directory.

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