

Lectionary Readings

Sun 30th 1st Sunday of Advent

Reading 1: Isaiah 2:1-5
 Reading 2: Romans 13:11-end
 Gospel: Mark 4:35-5:20

Wanlip

5th Sunday Special – Advent Carols

Mon 1st Andrew the Apostle

Psalm: 47
 Reading 1: Ezekiel 47:1-12
 Reading 2: John 12:20-32

Tue 2nd

Psalm: 80
 Reading 1: Isaiah 26:1-13
 Reading 2: Matthew 12:22-37

Wed 3rd

Psalm: 7
 Reading 1: Isaiah 28:1-13
 Reading 2: Matthew 12:38-end

Thu 4th

Psalm: 42
 Reading 1: Isaiah 28:14-end
 Reading 2: Matthew 13:1-23

Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: Isaiah 26:1-6
 Gospel: Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Fri 5th

Psalm: 25
 Reading 1: Isaiah 29:1-14
 Reading 2: Matthew 13:24-43

Sat 6th

Psalm: 9
 Reading 1: Isaiah 29:15-end
 Reading 2: Matthew 13:44-end

Sun 7th 2nd Sunday of Advent

Reading 1: Isaiah 11:1-10
 Reading 2: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
 Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Wanlip readings as above

30th November 2025

Collect for the 1st Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion prayer for the 1st Sunday of Advent

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

BCP Collect for the 1st Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. **Amen.**

This week we are grateful for....

Our Friendships

Additional Notices for the Week:

New format Information sheets

If you have any feedback on our new format, please write a note and give to Doreen Wilson.

Bring & Share Parish Lunch – Today (30th)

Our Bring and Share lunch in Birstall Village Hall is today. Starting at 12 noon. Please come if you can. Even if you didn't realise, and have no food to bring, please come anyway! Tea & Coffee will be provided. Feel free to bring your own drinks.

Date for your diary

Everyone is welcome to the Rectory on Monday 22nd December 7-10:30pm for drinks and nibbles.

Ho Ho Ho – Santa is around

Santa has been busy filling the knitted stockings with tubes of smarties. £2 each. Christmas decoration with a Ferrero Rocher chocolate £1.50 each. On sale from Sunday. Proceeds to St James' handrail fund. Many thanks. *Brenda & Joan*

Tear Fund

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Tear Fund big Quiz night it was a lot of fun and we raised £160. *Vic Dolby*

Notices for the Information Sheets & January's Monthly Diary

We can now go back to you having until 11am on Thursdays to get your notices in that weeks Sheets. I will need any dates for January's monthly diary before Tuesday 16th December please to enable me to get it produced before Christmas. Thanks. *Sheryl*

Time off in December

I will not be in the office on Tuesday 2nd and will be off for Christmas from Thursday 18th December until Tuesday 6th January. The Information sheets for 21st, 28 Dec and 4th Jan will be produced on the 18th December.

Remembering Loved ones

If anyone would like a loved one remembered each year, please let Sheryl & Amanda have their date of death and they will be added to the prayer calendar on the back of the monthly notice sheet.

Wanlip Christmas Fair – 6th December

Wanlip Church and Community Hall Fair will take place on Saturday 6th December 2pm- 4pm in the Hall and Church. Visit Santa in his grotto along with many other stalls & refreshments. As usual any offers of raffle prizes, tombola items, bottles, cakes for refreshments etc would be gratefully received. Look forward to seeing you on the day. *Julie*

Sign-Up Sheet for Special Christmas Services

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church requesting volunteers for wardens, intercessions, readings, welcomers and sidespersons for the special Christmas services scheduled this year. Please put your name down for any service you are able to help with. Many kind thanks. *Ladi*