

We do not take a collection at St. Anne's as we have a Free Will Offering scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the **Free Will Offering** scheme please speak to Andy Crawford, Lindsey Archer or the church wardens .

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**Christmas Diary**

Tues 11th Dec	c10:00	Longshaw Carol Concert
Sun 16th Dec	17:30	Carol Service
Sat 22nd Dec	10:30	Carol Singing at the Hatch
Mon 24th Dec	16:30	Christingle
	23:30	Midnight Mass
Tues 25th Dec	10:00	Communion

**'Christmas Inn' at Winchester Road Methodist Church**

(held on 25th December, from around 12 noon to 5 p.m.). Any local resident who would otherwise be on their own (or in a couple, or small family) is invited to be a guest (no cost / for free) – and transport can be provided, if required. Those who would like to attend should leave a message on the Care Highams Park number 020 8523 5955.

**Wheeled Walker**

Maureen Oakes has two wheeled walkers bought for Melvin. If anyone would like one of them please call Maureen on 020 8527 0457.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

**Anniversaries for December:** 1st Violet Tattersfield, 2nd Arthur Toms, 5th Doris Acons, 6th Michael Barwick, 7th Eileen Sellwood, David Lovitt, 8th Hans Larsen, 9th Anne Jones, 10th Arthur Hughes, 12th Kathryn Anderson, 15th Elizabeth Salen, 16th Nellie Thacker, 18th Sheila Birchnall, 19th Winifred White, 21st Florence Palmer, 22nd Beryl Banks, 23rd Grace Skeggs, 24th Arthur Langsdon, 25th Gill Head, 26th Allan Taylor, 27th Alfred Salen, 29th Edward Gooch, 30th David Anderson, Joan Trapnell, 31st Mavis Symonds.

*.Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*



**Parish Church of St. Anne Chingford**

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**Advent 2–9th December 2018**

**Parish Eucharist 10.00**

- Welcomers:** Velma Davis, Joyce Sullivan, Rosalind Tatam  
**Servers:** Lindsey Archer, Eira Endersbee, Jenny Scotchmer  
**Chalice:** Lindsey Archer  
**Lessons:** Rosalind Tatam  
**Prayers:**  
**Reader:** Jenny Howland  
**Preacher:** Jenny Howland  
**Celebrant:** Mick Scotchmer  
**Music:** Peter Stannard

**Hymns:**

- Advent Carol
- 699 The advent of our King
- 589 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's crye
- 671 Spirit divine attend our prayers (tune 34)
- 307 Hills of the north, rejoice
- 500 Make way, make way, for Christ the King

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<b>This week</b>  	<b>Today</b>		<b>14.00</b>	<b>Children's Christmas Party</b>
	<b>Monday</b>	<b>10th Dec</b>	<b>20.00</b>	<b>Plant Committee</b>
	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11th Dec</b>	<b>c10.00</b>	<b>Longshaw Carol Service</b>
	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>13th Dec</b>	<b>14.00</b>	<b>Open Church</b>
	<b>Friday</b>	<b>14th Dec</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>Communion</b>
	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>16th Dec</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>Informal Service followed by Holy Communion</b>

### Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

### Post Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Old Testament Reading

*Malachi 3.1-4*

Thus says the Lord God: <sup>1</sup>See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>2</sup>But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? **For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap;** <sup>3</sup>he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

### New Testament Reading

*Philippians 1.3-11*

My brothers and sisters, <sup>3</sup>I thank my God every time I remember you, <sup>4</sup>constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, <sup>5</sup>because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup>I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share **in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel.** <sup>8</sup>For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup>And this is my prayer, that your love

may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight <sup>10</sup>to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, <sup>11</sup>having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

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### Gospel

*Luke 3.1-6*

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, <sup>2</sup>during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, <sup>4</sup>as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

**'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:**

**"Prepare the way of the Lord,**

make his paths straight.

<sup>5</sup>Every valley shall be filled,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;

**<sup>6</sup>and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.