

THE PARISH OF CENTRAL EXETER - DEC 2017/JAN 2018

Churches of St Stephen, St Olave, St Petrock, St Pancras & St Mary Arches
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This parish believes in an inclusive church in which all are welcomed - www.inclusive-church.org

Sunday Services

Sunday 3rd December		
10.30am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
Sunday 10th December		
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St Pancras'
9.30am	Eucharist	St Olave's
10.30am	Meeting Point	St Stephen's
Sunday 17th December		
10.30am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
Sunday 24th December		
9.30am	Eucharist	St Olave's
Monday 25th December		
10.00am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
Sunday 31st December		
10.30am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
Sunday 7th January		
10.30am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
Sunday 14th January		
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St Pancras'
9.30am	Eucharist	St Olave's
10.30am	Meeting Point	St Stephen's
Sunday 21st January		
10.30am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
Sunday 28th January		
9.30am	Eucharist	St Olave's
10.30am	Meeting Point	St Stephen's

Weekday Communion in St Pancras'

Tuesdays in December: 5th, 12th & 19th at 1.15pm
 Tues in January: 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th at 1.15pm

December Diary Dates

Sat 2 nd	Christmas Coffee Morning: 10am-1.30pm
Mon 4 th	Praise Dance: 2.30pm Reopening of St Petrock's Church: with Bishop Sarah at 6pm
Wed 6 th	Coffee and Candles: 10.30 - 12.30 Bible Study: Daphne's flat at 2.30pm

December Diary Dates cont./

Wed 6 th	Exeter Uni Clarinet and Flute Choirs: Christmas Concert 7.30pm-10pm
Thur 7 th	Headway Devon: Christmas Coffee Morning 10am-12pm Devon Teachers Rock Choir: concert 7.45pm-8.45pm
Fri 8 th	Exeter Ladies Circle: Coffee Morning Prayer Around the Cross: St Pancras' Grace Church: Candlelit Carol Service at 7.30pm
Sat 9 th	Exeter Music Group Symphony Orchestra: Drop-in Recital 10am-12pm
Sun 10 th	Celebrate Together: Mencap Carol Service 5.30pm South St Baptist Church Holy Ground at the Cathedral: 7pm
Tues 12 th	ECCC Christmas Carol Service: 12-2pm
Wed 13 th	Bible Study: Daphne's flat at 2.30pm
Thur 14 th	YMCA Exeter: Carol Service at 12.30pm Sacred Heart Church: candles and Taize music 6pm-10pm
Fri 15 th	Lunchtime Concert: Nina Savicevic 1pm Bee's Christmas Concert: at 7.30pm
Sat 16 th	Amnesty International: Awareness and Fundraising 10am - 12.30pm
Sun 17 th	St David's Carol Service: 6pm
Thur 21 st	Coffee and Candles: 10.30 - 12.30
Sat 23 rd	Centre for Human Rights and Social Equality: Interfaith Christmas Celebration at 10am
Sat 30 th	Stay and Play: Children's activities 1.30pm - 3.30pm

January Diary Dates

Sun 14 th	Holy Ground at the Cathedral: 7pm
Mon 15 th	Rejoice in the Dance: Jewish Circle Dancing 2.30 - 4pm
Fri 19 th	Prayer Around the Cross: a meditative service with Taize music. St Pancras' 7pm
Sat 20 th	Book Group: Discussing 'Dethroning Mammon' by Justin Welby. 7pm at Bob's.
Sun 21 st	Prayer for Exeter-Belmont Chapel at 6pm in Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Sun 28 th	St Petrock's Day Centre: Homelessness service at 4pm (tbc)

For pastoral care and visits, please contact:
The Revd Sheila Swarbrick: 01392 438866

Christmas Coffee Morning

**Saturday 2nd December
10am to 1.30pm**

Come and join us for Christmas goodies with stalls including:

**Cakes, savouries and preserves
White elephant
Second hand books
Cards**

Tea, coffee, cakes and mince pies will all be available. And don't forget Bob's Fiendish Quiz.

If you are able to help on Saturday or on Friday evening from 6pm please let Sarah know. Friday evening is also the best time to deliver goods for the stalls. Thank you.



Revd Peter Inglerslev

Peter is a SSM curate at Topsham Wear Mission Community who will be on placement with us from Saturday 30th December until Sunday 4th February. He will take part in services, attend PCC and support the 'Stay and Play' activities in St Stephen's.

God with Us - Christmas 2017

Join us in celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, who is God with us, during this wonderful season. A short reflection for each week in Advent and daily from Christmas Eve to New Year's Day. Join the journey at www.churchofengland.org/christmas or text

GodWithUs to 88802.



Holocaust Memorial Day 2018

Inherit the Truth is a unique musical and cultural event to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day 2018, taking place at Exeter Cathedral on 1st February 2018. Speaking will be Anita Lasker-Wallfisch who is one of the few surviving members of the Auschwitz orchestra. Anita will explain how she survived the horrors of both Auschwitz and Belsen concentration camps. Her talk will be accompanied by music from her son, Raphael, who is a world-renowned cellist, who will play music inspired by his Jewish heritage. Bookings can be made through: <http://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/event/all-events/inherit-the-truth>

Reopening of St Petrock's

We look forward to welcoming you all to the celebrations for the reopening of St Petrock's with the bellringing centre and the new Justice, Peace and Creation Chapel on...

Monday 4th December at 6pm with Bishop Sarah,
the Bishop of Crediton.



Holy Ground

Holy Ground is on **Sunday 10th December** at 7pm in the Cathedral. This month's speaker is Professor Morwenna Ludlow who is Head of Theology and Religion at the University of Exeter.

Bee's Christmas Concert

On Friday 15th December at 7.30pm

Music, carols and readings with proceeds going to the charity,
St Petrock's Homelessness Project.



Special Collection in December for 'Comfort Bags' for some Patients Attending The Emergency Department at the RD&E

During December, we will be doing a collection of money to give to nurses in the Emergency Department, who are putting together comfort bags for many of their more vulnerable patients. These will contain articles such as soap, toothbrush and toothpaste, wet wipes, thermal socks, a rain poncho and information about local services.

For more details please see Betsy Allen and Sarah Branton.

Lent 2018

Look out in January for information about the Lent groups - using the York course material on the Resurrection.

Parish Administration

Please send any information for inclusion in the February edition of the newsletter to the address below by **Monday 22nd January 2018**. This is also the email address for any bookings at St Stephen's. Many thanks. Mary Keaney
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