

The week ahead

Monday 14th December:

6.00pm: Peace Light Service at St Paul's R.C

7.30m: Come Carolling at Dover Town Hall

Tuesday 15th December

No Lunch Club until 12th January 2010

Wednesday 16th December

10.00am Holy Communion:

Celebrant: Rev'd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Isaiah 45:6-end, Luke 7:18-23

7.00pm: Bible Study Group at Jill Chandler's: 145 Lower Road –
last one until 6th January 2010

Thursday 17th December

7.30 Band practice

Friday 18th December

10.00: Study Group at the Vicarage

7.00- 8.30pm: Choir Practice – last one until 22nd January 2010

Saturday 19th December

Dickensian Christmas Event at the Corn Mill and on the Rec.

Full details in Magnet page 12

Sunday 20th December: 4th Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion Celebrant: Rev'd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-9, John 1:19-28

10.00am : All- Age Holy Communion with Nativity presentation

Leader: Rev'd Andy Bawtree

6.30pm: Candlelit Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
followed by seasonal refreshments

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River Parish Church



We worship and witness to
the Living God

Sunday 13th December 2009
The Third Sunday of Advent

- 8.00am Holy Communion**
Celebrant: Rev'd Andy Bawtree
Readings: Isaiah 35; Matthew 11: 2-10
- 10.00am Morning Worship**
Readings: Zephaniah.3: 14-end;
Philippians 4: 4-7; Luke 3: 7-18
Leader: Rev'd Andy Bawtree
Preacher: Nigel Collins
- 3.00pm Sunday Half Hour at Riverlea**
Leader: Lynne Watson
- 6.30pm Evensong**
Readings: Psalm 50: 1-6; Luke 1: 57 - 66
Leader: Revd Andy Bawtree
Preacher: John Crowley

Soup Kitchen Christmas Day Lunch.

**This will now be open from 12 noon until 2pm at
Dover Baptist Church, Maison Dieu Road**

(not The Beacon as previously announced),
Volunteers are needed from 11:30 to 3pm.

If you are able to help please contact
Judith Shilling on 01304 827692 for more details

Just Around the Corner:

24th Dec: 5.00pm Christingle

11.30pm: Christmas Eve Holy Communion.

25th Dec: 10.00 Christmas Day All-age Holy Communion

27th Dec (Sun): 8.00 HC; 10.00 MW; no 6.30pm service

From Eva in Hungary to all her friends at River Church

Our love and greetings to the whole church, to the friends, and I wish I could give everyone of you a big-big hug.

"So than, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." Col. 2.6.

Bishop Gilbert sends his Christmas Greetings !!

Carol Singing at Woodside

Tuesday 15th December at 6.00pm

Last year we had a very happy time with a good number of singers, including some children. Do come and join us this year and share some seasonal singing and mince pies with the residents - Ralph

Carol Singing round village - Friday 18th Dec - meet at the Methodist Church

Carol Singing at Tescos - Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd December at 2.00 - 4.00pm.

Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Advent

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for:

- Willochra - (South Australia) and the Rt Revd Gary Weatherill
- People & Clergy of Reculver Deanery - Area Dean: Ronald Hawkes
- Bishop Gilbert and the Christians of Madagascar

Requests from our Prayer Board : Rachel, Eve, Pauline and Paul, Roy, Christina , Jason, Jim Goodwin and Ivy Harrison

For God's peace, comfort and healing love for the bereaved, especially the family of Joyce Dyer

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Christingle time again!

There will be a Christingle making workshop/production line in the Christian Centre on Monday 21st December at 2.00pm.

Please can you help? No previous experience necessary - but be warned - you will get sticky fingers!

If you can help, please sign up on the list at the back of Church - many hands will make light work!

Mince Pies

Can you provide a few mince pies for after the Carol Service, please? If so please let Chris know.

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A composite Notice Sheet will be produced for the Christmas period