

All are Welcome in this Place



**Priest-in-Charge: Terry Brown**  
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## Christmas

**Please Pray for**

- The Church, especially in places of conflict
- The Holy Land, for peace with justice, and reconciliation
- Refugees and asylum seekers
- Homeless people and especially the work of CHES
- For Families with young children
- We pray for all attending our Christmas services.
- For those who will be on their own this Christmas
- For all those who live in Hall Lane.
- Rev Joshua, James and the people of Kargi in Kenya.
- Bishop Rob Martin, Bishop of Marsabit and Sue his wife.
- The sick and those who care for them especially Barbara Parish, Chloe King, Simon Bobeldijk, Liz, Simon Mills, Susannah Bedwell, Edward Gilder, Bishop John, Mike Mercer, Pauline Butterworth Henry Smith, Paul Marren, Peter Elwell and others known to us.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them, especially Lee Howell, Clive Burgess and all others known to us.

**Christenings or Weddings**

If you would like to arrange one contact  
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**Parish People**

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**Regular Pattern of Worship**

Tuesday 9.30am Holy Communion

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 9.30 Celtic Morning Prayer

Sunday: 10am Parish Eucharist

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month

8am Holy Communion (Traditional)

10am Family Service

**Today's services**

**Wednesday 24th December**

4.00 pm Crib Service

11.30 pm Midnight Service

**Reader:** Richard Cecil  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Dennis Terry  
**Intercessions:** Nick Bobeldijk  
**Sides person:** Christine Mennie

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day**

10.00 am Family Service with Communion

**Reader:** Janet Terry  
**Eucharistic Minister:** David Farrar  
**Intercessions:** Richard Cecil  
**Sides person:** Christine Farrar

**Welcome** – If you are new to church, please make yourself known to Revd. Terry or one of the people Who gave out the hymn books?

**Families** are very welcome in Church.

**Toilets and Changing facilities opposite Main Door**

**Communion** All are welcome at the Communion rail. If you do not normally receive Communion, please come forward to receive a blessing.

## Collect

Almighty God, as we prepare with joy to celebrate the gift of the Christ-child, embrace the earth with your glory and be for us a living hope in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Reading Isaiah 9 2-7

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
on them light has shined.  
You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.  
For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.  
For all the boots of the tramping warriors  
and all the garments rolled in blood  
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.  
For a child has been born for us,  
a son given to us;  
authority rests upon his shoulders;  
and he is named  
Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
His authority shall grow continually,  
and there shall be endless peace  
for the throne of David and his kingdom.  
He will establish and uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time onwards and for evermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

## Gospel Reading Luke 2 1-14

The Birth of Jesus

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

### The Shepherds and the Angels

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then

an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'

## Post Communion

Eternal God, for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life: keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man, Jesus Christ our Lord.



**Revd. Terry along with the  
Church Wardens and  
Congregation wish everyone a  
very Happy Christmas**

### Confirmation 2015

Confirmation classes will begin in January. If you would like to be confirmed or would like to know more about it please have a word with Terry.

### Pilgrim Course

.Sign up for the New Pilgrim Course beginning on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January. The six week course is on the Lord's Prayer. This will begin at 7pm with a two course meal. Coffee or tea will be served at 7.30pm when the course begins. The autumn course was popular and I hope many will want to join us for this six week course on the Lord's Prayer. For further details contact Terry, Richard or Judy.

### New Year's Day:

Bring the family to 'Lambing Alive' at Danbury Park Farm CM2 7RY from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All donations are to go to the 'Friends of Sandon Church' for The St. Andrew's Church Roof Fund.