

COMING UP...



Messy Church Tomorrow!
3,30—5,15

Come and have fun with a Messy Nativity.

Booking essential: stgfamilies@gmail.com

Poole Wau Partnership

You may have heard that Penny is visiting Wau in South Sudan in February as part of the work of the Poole/Wau Partnership. She would like to take with her some small gifts for the children. So if you have any suitable small lightweight gifts such as cracker gifts and hats, small bouncy balls, new pencils, bamboo toothbrushes all would be very welcome. Penny would be very pleased to receive them after Christmas. Her luggage allowance is not very big so small and lightweight are the important considerations.



Thank you!



Oakdale Junior School are looking for more volunteers to listen to children read. If this might be you please contact the school direct.
01202 685800

Foodbank wish list:

- Tinned soup, tomatoes, potatoes
- Tinned meat/ready meals
- Tinned peas/carrots/sweetcorn
- UHT Milk
- Pasta sauces
- Tinned rice pudding
- Tinned fruit
- Tea
- Jam, crisps, squash, sweets.

Appeal - £5 per month can support a family in need.

Poole Foodbank
CAF Bank Account
Sort code: 40-52-40,
Account no: 00034948

Or donate online

<https://faith-works.org.uk/>

Thank you!



THIS WEEK...

Sunday 15th December Advent 3
8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10am Holy Communion and Zoom
JaM in the small hall.
6pm Nine Lessons and Carols



Monday 16th December

Please pray for all who attend or volunteer at Messy Church for Sherrin Close and Simmonds Close
3.30-5.15pm Messy Church in the large hall

Tuesday 17th December

Please pray for all who will spend Christmas alone
For Shottsford Road and Somerby Road
9am-3pm Canford Heath Junior School in church
2pm Advent Course in the choir vestry
2-4pm Autumn Club in the small hall
6pm Canford Heath Junior School concert

Wednesday 18th December

Please pray for wisdom and discernment to follow Gods path throughout life
For St Edward's School and Stanley Court
10am Short Holy Communion in Choir Vestry.
11am Funeral in church of Margaret Bailey RIP
2-4pm Final Mothers Union meeting - small hall
6.30pm Choir Practice
7pm Advent Course in the small hall

Thursday 19th December

Please pray for ways to support wildlife in the winter
For Stanley Green Road and Infants Academy
12 Noon Christmas Lunch Club in the small hall
1.15 - 2.45 pm Little Acorns Parent and Toddler Group in the large hall. Next meeting 9th January.

Friday 20th December

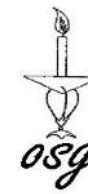
Please pray for all who attend the Crib and Christingle Service for Staple Close Lane and Stenhurst Road

Saturday 21st December

Please pray for all St George's services
For Trigon Road and Tudor Court
9am Prayers for the Parish on Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8430477988>
[pwd=VFpUVlpXU0VwUzFjSWp3WHZNTGpWdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8430477988)
Meeting ID: 843 0477 9888 Passcode: 266213

Sunday 22nd December

Advent 4
8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10am Crib and Christingle Service with Zoom



THIS WEEK AT
OAKDALE ST GEORGE
Advent 3
Sunday 15th December 2024



Dear Friends

On this third week of Advent our Sunday readings bring news of judgement and of salvation at the same time.

There are many in world today on whom we might pray for judgement, and there are many, many more for whom we pray to know the peace and joy of salvation.

As we continue to journey through Advent, preparing our hearts as we remember the first coming of our saviour and in anticipation of his second, we move closer to the time when we need to pay heed to the news of judgement and salvation.

And so we are called to true repentance, which in turn will lead us into rejoicing as we experience the salvation that Jesus offers to us all.

Penny

6pm tonight—9 Lessons and Carols

Next Sunday 22nd
December
Advent 4
Crib and Christingle Service



Readings
Hebrews 10. 5-10
Luke 1. 39-45 (46-55)

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Philippians 4.4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Luke 3.7-18

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.' And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.' As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His

winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Post Communion

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**

Please pray for...

Worldwide: The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Diocese: Broughton Gifford, Great Chalfield and Holt St Katharine in the Bradford Deanery

Local: Rose Crescent and Rowlands Avenue

Immediate Prayer: Bethany Cook, Ray Durman, Beverley Mitchell, Chris Moody, Carrie Spencer, Alison, David, Tilly.

Continuous Prayer: Mandy Barrington, Carol Burridge, June Chappell, Hazel Day, Barbara Fairbrother, Paul Fairbrother, Richard Glynn, Jim L, Margaret McFarlane, Sandy Primrose, Ginny Williams, Chris, Dorothy, Gordon, Hilary, Julie, Kezia, Laura, Lorraine, Melanie.

Also we remember those who have died recently RIP

Margaret Bailey, Isobel Evans, Judy Jones, Ann Johnson, Glen Jamieson and those whose anniversaries fall at this time: **Betty Martin, Marcelle Perham, Pat Howe**

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Gift Aid Envelopes

The gift aid envelopes for 2025 are ready for collection at the back of the church. If you have any questions regarding gift aid please see Alan Russell.

2025 Charities

Next year we will be supporting

The Poole—Wau Partnership
Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance
Bournemouth Women's Refuge

The money given to these charities is our Mission Giving and comes from the money given for Sunday morning refreshments.

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St George's Fellowship Group







Starting on 15th January at 2pm in the small hall. A new group for adults to meet to enjoy each other's company with tea and biscuits. All welcome! A small charge of £2 per person to go towards the cost of refreshments and heating.

The group is run by the Church and is covered by Church policies.

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Reminder

Community Afternoon Tea drivers can collect parcels between 2pm and 5pm on Monday 16th December or during office hours.

	Please do stay in touch
	01202 660612 Monday to Thursday 10am-12noon. Church open for private prayer during office hours
	admin@stgeorgesoakdale.com
	www.stgeorgesoakdale.com
	Search Oakdale St. George on Facebook
	To make a one-off donation please use the card payment machine, cash can be placed in an envelope and handed to the office. If you would like to make a regular contribution to St George's please ask the office for a standing order form.
	Hearing loop available in church. Turn your hearing aid to the T switch.