

## Collect

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.

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## Today's Psalm is: Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the / fortunes of / Zion,  
then were / we like / those who / dream.  
Then was our mouth / filled with / laughter  
and our / tongue with / songs of / joy.  
Then said they a/mong the / nations,  
'The / Lord has done / great things / for them'.  
The Lord has indeed done / great things / for us,  
and / therefore / we re/joyced.  
Restore again our / fortunes, O / Lord,  
as the / river beds / of the / desert.  
Those who / sow in / tears  
shall / reap with / songs of / joy.  
Those who go out weeping, / bearing the / seed,  
will come back with shouts of joy,  
/ bearing their / sheaves / with them.

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## Prayer at the Lighting of the third Advent Candle

**Lord Jesus, light of the world,  
John told the people to prepare,  
for you were very near.  
As Christmas grows closer day by day  
help us to be ready to welcome you now. Amen.**

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Thank you to everyone who supported yesterday's **coffee morning**—the amount raised can be found on the noticeboard.

**Advent giving: Today** is the last opportunity to contribute to the collection jar for **Embrace Middle East**—the jar is in the back of the church. Please give generously.

We would like to share the news that **Canon Martin Seeley**, Jutta's husband, has been nominated as the next **Bishop of the Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich**, to be consecrated on 14 May. It means that Jutta and the family will move to Ipswich but not until the end of the summer term. Our congratulations to Martin. Please keep Martin, Jutta and the children, in your prayers.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Carol Service	Sun 21 Dec, 6.30 pm <i>followed by mulled wine &amp; mince pies</i>
Children's Service	Christmas Eve, 5.00 pm
Midnight Mass	Christmas Eve, 11.00 pm
Christmas Day	All Age Eucharist, 10.00 am



## Would you be able to help?

**URGENT Christmas cards** are ready for delivery around the parish. **We need everyone's help please.** Sign the list in the foyer to indicate which street you are distributing in. Please note that the shaded areas on the grid are roads being delivered to by members of QE Chapel.

**Next Sunday** we will need help after the 10 o'clock service to **decorate the Christmas tree.** Please allow some extra time to stay and help.

**Carol Service, 21 December, 6.30 pm.** Donations of **mince pies** and other **offers of help** with serving and then clearing away afterwards would be most welcome. Please speak to Rosemary and sign the list on the noticeboard if you can help. Thank you.

**Christmas Presents.** We would like to support the **Women's Refuge Centre** again this year but please note we have a change in our usual arrangements. Gifts need to come in to church **unwrapped** (as all gifts need to be checked by members at the refuge in advance). Wrapping paper cut to size and attached to your donation would be welcome but is not essential. Please bring gifts to the Carol Service or leave in the office beforehand. Thank you.

**Children's service, 24 December at 5.00 pm.** Children, please come dressed as angels, shepherds of kings. **We need some costumes for shepherds—is anyone able to help?** Please speak to Jutta.

## Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday	Sarah and Alex Aylward, Emily and Sophie
Monday	Helen Arnold and family
Tuesday	John and Jackie Bartholomew and family
Wednesday	Jenny Bell and Andrew Brown, Adam, Rachel and Matthew
Thursday	Jim and Ethel Bentley and family
Friday	Jillian Bradley and Emily
Saturday	Mary Blackburn and family

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## Church Activities

Choir Practice, Mondays	6.30 pm—7.30 pm, Junior Choir 7.00 pm—8.00 pm, Adult Choir
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## Community Activities

Parent & Toddlers (Thursdays)	Wendy Lane, 244850
Beavers (6-8 yrs)	Brendan Murrill, 07864 056648
Cubs (8-11 yrs, QE Schl)	Stephen Harrison, 07548 765421
Brownies (7-10 yrs, QE Schl)	Kerrie Thackray e-mail 40thbrownies@gmail.com

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**Gift Aid Envelopes** are available at the back of the Church and Transept. Please enable us to claim back tax on your offering.

Our parish magazine **Crosspiece** is now available on the website.

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

# The Weekly Sheet

14 December 2014

## 3rd Sunday of Advent



8.00 am	Eucharist
10.00 am	Sung Eucharist with Sunday Schools

**Welcome to our services.** The Very Rev'd Peter Judd is our celebrant at 8 o'clock and preacher at both services.

Our hymns at 10 o'clock are:

Opening:	<i>Thy kingdom come, O God</i>	NEH 499
Offertory:	<i>On Jordan's bank</i>	NEH 12
Communion:	<i>Just as I am</i>	NEH 294
Final:	<i>Thou whose almighty word</i>	NEH 466

The readings are: Isaiah 61.1-4, 8-end; Psalm 126;

1 Thessalonians 5.16-24; John 1.6-8, 19-28.

The anthem is *How beautiful upon the mountains* (John Stainer).

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## This week:

Monday 15th	2.30 pm	Cherry Hinton Care Home Carol Service
Wednesday 17th	10.15 am	Eucharist at Dunstan Court
Thursday 18th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
	2.30 pm	Hinton Grange Carol Service
Friday 19th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
	11.00 am	Advent Group
	12.30 pm	Meditation Group

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## Next Sunday (21 December) is the 4th Sunday of Advent

8.00 am	Eucharist
10.00 am	Sung Eucharist and Sunday Schools
	The readings will be: 2 Samuel 7.1-11, 16; Canticle: <i>Magnificat</i> ; Romans 16.25-end; Luke 1.26-38.

**6.30 pm Carol Service** followed by mulled wine and mince pies.  
*All welcome.*

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**Please join us for tea/coffee after our 10 o'clock service**