



TRINITY TIMES
December 2023
& January 2024

Blessed art Thou, O Christmas Christ,
That thy cradle was so low that shepherds,
Poorest and simplest of all earthly folk
Could yet kneel beside it,
And look level-eyed into the face of God
Author unknown

From a painting by Alex Howell

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Services and Events



Sundays

- 9.00 Holy Communion
- 11.00 Holy Communion (1st Sunday)
Morning Worship (2nd & 4th)
Café Church (3rd Sunday)

Sundays (occasional)

- 10.30 Wild Worship (1st Sunday)
- 15.00 Wildfire Youth (2nd & 4th)

Wednesdays

- 10.00 Holy Communion

Tea/coffee is served between Sunday services from 10.15.

THE LOST MESSAGE OF ADVENT

It's happened again this year. As soon as we reached the start of November, the media in all its forms started exploding with advertisements for all things Christmas. From Asda to Waitrose, selling baubles to Yule logs, we're now into the season of good (or maybe not) marketing. And how many of us waited with baited breath for this year's John Lewis Christmas advert?

Now before everyone thinks I'm going all bah humbug, this article is not going to be a moan about the seemingly earlier onset of Christmas each year. But there is a point to be made – something that's so easily missed in our December busyness. In all the hustle and bustle of shopping, planning, cooking, wrapping and partying, in all the noise and clutter from the run up to Christmas, we have lost sight of something important - Advent.

To many, it seems Advent has simply come to mean calendars with little chocolates behind cardboard doors. But Advent is about so much more. It is for good reason that Advent is the season that marks the start of a New Year in the life of the Church. Advent is about preparation. It's about the patient, watchful waiting in hope and expectation. It's about pausing and quietly reflecting about what is to come.

Firstly, it's the time for us all to prepare for the enormity of what happened that first Christmas day when Jesus the Messiah was born in Bethlehem. Advent gives us a chance to take stock, to take time to worship the God who always planned to send his son Jesus to this earth.

Indeed, many of the traditional Advent readings that speak about Jesus are from the Old Testament of the Bible. Remarkably, they foretell Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection. They speak of God's incredible plan for the world. These are words that sustained centuries of believers in the hope that God would send his Son to restore humanity to a relationship with himself. What a privilege to live in a time where we can know this Jesus for ourselves!

However, there's a second waiting at the heart of Advent. The Latin 'adventus' is translated from the Greek word 'parousia'. This is commonly used to refer to the Second Coming of Christ. So as well as allowing us to

share in the ancient longing for the coming of the Messiah, Advent alerts us to the truth that Jesus will return to earth, this time as Lord of lords.

Of course, none of us know when Jesus will return. The early Church expected him imminently. 2,000 years later we're still waiting. Maybe that's why the idea can so often seem unreal and perhaps it explains why it's easy for us to be complacent. However, doing so lulls us into a false sense of security.

We read in Acts chapter 1 that as Jesus ascended into heaven, the angels said that he would come back in the same way that he had gone. But are we ready to meet him? What will it be like? In the parable of the sheep and goats (Matthew 25 v31- 46), Jesus tells us that the Son of Man will come back to judge and to reward each of us according to how we treat others. I don't know about you, but I find this a challenging thought!

As we face a season bombarded by a barrage of adverts convincing us that we need the latest product to be fulfilled in life, or by shopping at a certain retailer we will feel more 'Christmassy', Advent encourages us to stop and reflect. There is hope in Advent. There is hope in Jesus. The call of Advent is one of pause, waiting, hoping.

There's so much truth in the old adage that it's better to give than receive. Perhaps at this time of giving to those who will return our gifts, we should also consider helping those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, sick or in prison. We can bring hope to others – hope that ultimately comes from Jesus, both by his coming as a baby in Bethlehem and the promise of his return as Lord of lords.

My challenge to us all this Advent is to carve out times of reflection in the midst of the chaos of the preparation for Christmas. Time to reflect on what we are celebrating. Time to pause in expectation and hope. Time to read the advent scriptures and to pray that God might inspire you afresh. And time to consider our own response to the Jesus who tells us that how we treat others really matters.

May I wish you a blessed Advent and peaceful and wonderful Christmas.
Ian

INTRODUCING SAM THOMPSON

Hello everyone, I'm Sam and currently I am in my final year of ordination training at Ridley Hall in Cambridge and I'm delighted to be joining you as Curate at Holy Trinity Frome next July.



I grew up in Basingstoke in a Christian family, and we were a part of Basingstoke Community Churches (BCC), a group of non-denominational evangelical churches in and around Basingstoke who were part of the Salt and Light network of churches. I had a faith and became a Christian when I was a child. I aim to have a calm, easy-going character with a good sense of humour, and a tendency to tell bad jokes!

I have a keen interest in planes, cars, and all things engineering and I spent 4 years in the RAF Air Cadets when I was a teenager. I left home at 18 and moved to start a degree apprenticeship at Airbus in Filton, Bristol. There I completed an Aerospace Engineering degree at UWE whilst working for Airbus and once I finished the apprenticeship I started working as a Fuel Systems Engineer; focusing on integrating Sustainable Aviation Fuel for use on Airbus aircraft. During this time I was living in Portishead, and became part of Christchurch in Clevedon, an Anglican-Methodist Local Ecumenical Partnership (LEP).

I was becoming more involved in the life of the church in Clevedon, and my faith was really starting to deepen. During the first COVID lockdown, I found myself on furlough for 3 months, and started to feel a call to church ministry. This sense of calling became stronger after a lot of prayer and once I started having conversations with my vicar and the diocesan vocations team; it then became clear God was calling me full time to ordained ministry. The following year I went through the discernment process and started training at Ridley Hall.

I'm looking forward to making Frome my home and joining Holy Trinity in its vision to know Christ and make him known.

FROME FESTIVAL—ACTION NEEDED NOW!

Do you want to see Trinity continue to be involved in Community Events in Frome, and to welcome many people into the Church, not just for services but also for leisure events? Are you an organiser, with a little free time and reasonable IT skills?

We need someone to co-ordinate events during the Frome Festival (5th – 14th July 2024), and enthuse church members to support them with stewarding etc. The urgency is because all the details of our events need to be finalised and submitted to the Festival (via their website) by 1st March. I have done this job for a number of years, with support from a small team of people with ideas, but I would like to step back from it for at least a year.

The main tasks are as follows:

1. Invite anyone interested to a meeting ASAP to pool ideas and draft a timetable, considering events that have been booked by other organisations. (Check with Office)
2. Liaise, delegate, contact speakers/performers etc. until info is ready to submit to Festival.
3. May onwards – organise or delegate publicity, posters etc.
4. Early June – start to recruit stewards for events (or delegate this to someone)
5. Beginning of July – final arrangements

Just as an encouragement, this year there were approx. 500 attendances at Trinity promoted events (as well as many at other events), and there was a net profit of over £1300 for Trinity, including bar takings (+ Church/Hall hire income from other events).

If you would like to find out more, do speak to me, ring me on 01373 453962 or email margaretperry1@outlook.com.

Margaret

**Men's Breakfast
December 2nd
Trinity Hall, 8am**

**All men are invited
to come and enjoy a
cooked breakfast for £5.
Please let Holy Trinity
Office know if you are coming.
(01373 453425)
holytrinityfrome@gmail.com**



**Merry
Christmas**



***You are warmly invited to
Ladies Coffee Cake and Chat
Tuesday 5th December
2pm to 4pm
at Holy Trinity Church***



This year across Bath and Wells, church and school communities, as well as families, are being encouraged to have an Eco Advent. You can join in and combine the spirit of Advent with a commitment to the environment as you enjoy an eco-friendly journey to the manger... from the comfort of your own home.

Every day, as the countdown to Christmas continues, you can explore ways to reflect on and appreciate God's creation and share simple actions to take care of it better. Through Eco Advent, each day leading up to Christmas can be meaningful, both spiritually and environmentally. Ruth Slade, Growing Faith and Everyday Faith Adviser says, "More and more people are aware of the environmental impact of Christmas and as Christians, of course, we are committed to caring for creation.

Bath and Wells Diocese are offering a fun resource to both celebrate our journey to Christmas and at the same time reflect on our duty to care for this beautiful world that God has gifted us.

"As well as offering daily Bible verses, prayers and reflections, everyone can join us in the Advent journey by first setting up a starry spiral path to a manger, and follow the daily tasks we are sharing on our website and social media channels. In true eco-fashion, there's no need to buy any special resources, just use what you have to hand to craft what you need to create your starry spiral and manger.

What you need

- Stars: You can craft stars using clay, cardboard, or even draw them on paper or use star-shaped stickers.
- Tea light (real or LED): we would like you to light this each day when adding to your spiral. Make sure it is in a safe place.
- Stable or Hut: Create your own using sticks, paper, or whatever you find handy.
- Figures: Collect figurines to represent Mary, Joseph, Jesus and yourself. Use toys like Lego or Playmobil, or craft them from clay or plasticine.

(There will be further instructions for things you will need to collect each day).

Days 1 and 2 of the Advent Journey are below. Follow along each day online via the Bath and Wells website or pick up an Advent Journey sheet from the back of the church.

www.bathandwells.org.uk/eco-advent

Instagram: [_BathWells](#)

Facebook: [BathandWells](#)



Where to start

- Build your stable in the centre of a large flat surface.
- Using your stars, create a spiral going inwards towards the stable.
- Place your tea light where the manger would be in the stable.

And that's it, you are all set to join us on the Eco Advent journey!

Day	Verse & reflection	Prayer	Activity
1	<p>Genesis 1:1-5</p> <p>As we begin Advent, we think about God's creation and the journey we're about to take. What are you looking forward to about Advent this year?</p>	<p>Creator God, may you be our guiding light on this journey towards Christmas. Help us find our way through the darkness of winter towards the light of spring and your love. Amen.</p>	<p>On the first day of Advent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find or make a crib and place it in the stable. • Plan a journey you can take in nature this week.
2	<p>Genesis 1:6-10</p> <p>Today we are thinking about water and the precious resource it is. How many ways will you use water today?</p>	<p>God our provider, thank you for the water we have to drink. We pray for those without clean drinking water and ask that you would remind us how privileged we are. Amen.</p>	<p>On the second day of Advent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find something to represent water to go next to today's star. • Design a poster or sign to put up near a tap in your home to remind people to save water.



HOW TO MAKE YOUR CHRISTINGLE

You will need: an orange, a small piece of foil, a piece of red ribbon long enough to go around the orange, glue, 4 cocktail sticks, a selection of small sweets, dried fruit etc.

Make a hole in the top of the orange. Insert some foil to hold the candle (we will give you a candle at the service). Fasten the ribbon around the middle of the orange. Thread the sweets, fruits etc, onto the cocktail sticks and then stick these into the orange as shown.

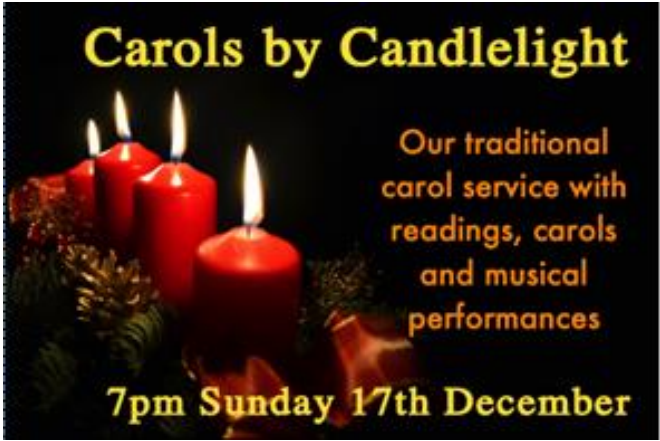
The Orange	The World
The Candle	The Light of the World (Jesus)
The Cocktail sticks	The four seasons
The fruit/sweets	The fruits of the earth
The red ribbon	The blood of Jesus who gave his life for us

See you on Christmas Eve at 4pm!



CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT TRINITY CHURCH

- Sunday 17th Dec 7pm **Carols by Candlelight**
Followed by mulled wine & mince pies
- Monday 18th Dec 4pm **Carols around the Campfire**
At Trinity First School
- Christmas Eve 4pm **Christingle Service**
A collection for the Children's Society will be taken at this service
- Christmas Eve 8pm **Christmas Communion**
- Christmas Day 10am **Welcome Jesus**



Donations of mince pies for the Carol Service would be much appreciated, as well as people to help set up, serve and clear up afterwards. Please sign the list at the back of the Church.

DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED
			10.00 Holy Communion 15.00 CAP Prayer meeting
3 9.00 Holy Communion 11.00 Morning Worship	4	5 2-4 pm Christmas Coffee, Cake and Chat (see Pg 7)	6 10.00 Holy Communion Mother's Union Service
10 9.00 Holy Communion 11.00 Morning Worship 13.30 Frome Symphony Concert 16.00 Community Hospital Service	11	12 10.30 Active and in Touch	13 10.00 Holy Communion
17 9.00 Holy Communion 11.00 Café Church 19.00 Carols by Candlelight	18 7.30pm Connect in Prayer (See Pg 18) 16.00 Carols around the Campfire	19 10.30 Active and in touch	20 10.00 Holy Communion
24 9.00 Holy Communion 11.00 Morning Worship 16.00 Christingle Service (see Pg 10) 20.00 Christmas Eve Communion	25 10.00 Celebrate Christmas family service	26	27 10.00 Holy Communion

CHURCH OF THE

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Communion on Advent	10.00 Trinity Toddlers 15.30 Food @ 5		
	14	15	16
Communion	10.00 Trinity Toddlers 15.30 Food @ 5		
	21	22	23
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Communion	No Trinity Toddlers 15.30 Food @ 5		

OFFICE CLOSED

JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED
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CAN YOU HELP MAKE A YOUNG PERSON HAPPY THIS CHRISTMAS?

Once again, this year we would be so grateful if our wonderful Trinity family could help us bring some light and joy to the young people living under the care of the YMCA here in Frome.

Because many of them have no family, having been in the care system for years, and others have been alienated from their family, most do not get a present at Christmas at all. Can you give a present or two? These presents are a real way of showing the love of God for these young people.



They should **not be wrapped** as they are given specifically to each young person. We need presents such as Christmas confectionery (which goes down particularly well), gloves, baseball caps, diffusers, beauty products, energy drinks, arts and crafts (such as crochet kits), scarves, socks etc plus any other treats suitable for 16–25-year-olds of both sexes. There will be a box behind the sound desk at church clearly marked YMCA for the next few Sundays. Thank you so much.

We will be taking these to the YMCA on Tuesday 12th December



**YMCA Carol service
Holy Trinity Church
Friday 1st December starting at 7pm**



There will be a YMCA Carol service at Holy Trinity church on Friday 1st December starting at 7pm. This will be a chance to hear stories of what has been happening at the YMCA this past year as well as a chance to sing some well-loved carols. Do please come and join us for this celebration of the work that is undertaken.

Chris and Miriam Hare (Chaplains and Trustees)



Coffee, Cake & Chat

*Trinity Church
2.00 - 4.00 pm*

**Monday 15th January
14.00— 16.00**

*Ladies, Join us for this
opportunity to meet and chat.*

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If you consider yourself a member of Trinity please complete a GDPR form (at the back of church) so that we can keep in touch with you. Every week we send out an email with news of what is going on in Trinity which you won't want to miss out on!

SMALL GROUPS

If you would like to join a small, mid-week group for friendship, Bible-based discussion and prayer we currently have around a dozen small groups that meet fortnightly, each with a different flavour so there's something for everyone. Please talk to one of the welcoming team or contact the Office to find out more.

holytrinityfrome@gmail.com

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR KIDS' CHURCH, YOUTH WORK & TRINITY SCHOOL

Roles vacant:

- Kids Church team (leaders and helpers)
- Youth team members
- Foundation Governor at Trinity First School

Please talk to Ian or email the office if you are interested.



CHRISTMAS QUIZ

Can you decipher these Christmas carols? Answers on Page22.

1. From dark 'til dawn, soundless and sanctimonious
2. Celestial messengers from splendid empires
3. In a distant bovine diner
4. Universal elation
5. Ornament the enclosure wih large sprigs of berry– bearing evergreen
6. O miniature Nazarene village
7. My Jehovah grant unto you the hilarious males retirement
8. Those of you who are true, come here!
9. Are you detecting the same aural transmissions that I am ?
10. The diminutive male who plays a percussion instrument
11. Primary yuletide
12. Heavenly cherubs announcing in song. Listen!



Let's meet in **CHURCH** to pray!

CONNECT IN PRAYER

7.30pm Monday 18th December
Monday 22nd January

A UNIQUE STORY

By Michael Beasley, Bishop of Bath and Wells

When I speak to my Mum on my birthday, she often recalls to me the events that surrounded my arrival in the world. These include nearly being born in the hospital lift, my older brother being smuggled in to see me under my dad's overcoat and of various aunts sneaking onto the maternity ward out of visiting hours by wearing their WRVS uniforms.

Each of us has a unique story about our birth. At Christmas we'll be recounting once again the story that we share about another birth - the birth of Jesus. Across the world we'll be re-telling and re-enacting what happened in Bethlehem more than 2000 years ago. We'll recall the journey of Mary and Joseph, the birth in the stable, the arrival of the shepherds, the song of the angels, the visit of the Magi.

Our own birth stories are unique to each of us. Jesus' is common to us all. And not just because we all know about it. For in our recollection of Jesus' birth, we'll also be remembering that in him, God came to be at one with us. In Jesus God arrived to share fully in our

humanity, experiencing complete solidarity with every aspect of our human condition. Jesus is 'God with us' – in trenches in Ukraine, bomb shelters in Israel and Gaza, in hospital wards where loved ones die, in relationships where there is conflict and distress.

Just as much as he is with us in our greatest joys and our deepest woes, Jesus is also for us. One of the earliest teachers of the Church said this: 'He became what we are so that we might become what he is.' The baby born in Bethlehem stands with us not only in all that we experience, this child also comes to offer us the possibility of opening every part of our lives to the transforming power of God's life of love and joy and peace. He comes so that every day we can become a little more like him.

This is the good news of Christmas and may it be yours this year. A very Merry Christmas to you all.

Bishop Michael

MISSIONS

Andrew and Elizabeth Alden

Pioneering
with
Young
Adults



In this update we are highlighting some Partnerships which bless young adults in Frome. If you don't know us, Andrew and Elizabeth are on the right-hand side of the photo (i.e. not the young adults!)

We thank God for:

- ◆ you, the Christians in Frome and the surrounding villages. Your prayers, financial (and other) gifts and co-working in other ways bring joy to us, and blessing to the young adults in and around Frome.
- ◆ Bishop Michael's visit to The Giant's Garden when he discussed questions on the environment and led a service of blessing.
- ◆ friends from the community and the churches who have given to, and worked in the Garden. We were especially delighted when the Frome Food Network visited to find out more, shared lunch and then helped us too! This garden is a space of safety, friendship, delight in God's creation, purpose and, often, conversation with young adults about and with God.
- ◆ St Mary's Church, with us, are in discussion with the Diocese of Bath and Wells about the possibility of setting up a Christian community house in Frome in St Mary's former vicarage. A young woman is a valuable



contributor to the preparatory work.

- ◆ Frome YMCA, where each Friday lunchtime we are welcomed into the Frome Foyer to cook and eat with residents. They teach us a lot about life, broaden our taste in music(!) and we often speak of God or the Bible.
- ◆ Frome Army Cadets and young adults and leaders, who value the presence, support and input from the Padre (Andrew) on Tuesday evenings.
- ◆ Hunting Raven Books and Roots Café, enabling 1625bookclub to bless a small number of young adults.
- ◆ The police and council, who welcome the 1625parkspopup team, with members from various churches. This team, which grew out of HOPE, visits Victoria and Mary Bailey parks regularly on Saturday evenings with food and or drink to share with young people. At Easter, some young people accepted our offer of a prayer of blessing, after which one young lad gathered his friends around to receive the same.

Please pray for all the young adults in Frome involved currently, or in the future, in the above.

And please join us in praying Ephesians 3.14-19, which is our prayer for the young adults in Frome:

I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. With thanks to you, in our partnership in the gospel of Jesus,

Andrew and Elizabeth Alden
Pioneers amongst young adults in Frome

Our November meeting, when Alison Rossiter shared her experiences of cycling from Beckington to Santiago de Compostela was very interesting and entertaining. She was accompanied by a friend and they had a wonderful set of pictures which brought it all to life. The trip was not without its problems - mainly punctures - but they seemed to overcome all their difficulties with help and stoicism. It was very inspiring but probably not for most of us who couldn't imagine ourselves coping with the distance and the daily effort required.

Mothers' Union members will once again be joining with other organisations from 25th November (the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) to pray for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls. They will join in the annual campaign of prayers and reflections in November/December each year calling for an end to violence and abuse around the world.

Our December meeting on Wednesday December 6th will be a service of Holy Communion for Advent. As usual we will begin the New Year with our AGM to plan ahead for 2024.

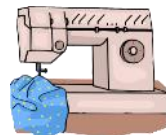
For more information please contact Mary Earle or Susan Clark.

Answers to Christmas carol quiz.

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| 1. Silent night, holy night | 7. God rest you merry gentlemen |
| 2. Angels from the realms of glory | 8. O come all you faithful |
| 3. Away in a manger | 9. Do you hear what I hear |
| 4. Joy to the world | 10. The little drummer boy |
| 5. Deck the halls | 11. The first noel |
| 6. O little town of Bethlehem | 12. Hark the herald angels sing |

LOCAL GOINGS ON

SEWING FOR CHARITY



Kally Dunn organises sewing projects for charities, and you are invited to bring your sewing machine, scissors, and your non-sewing friends too! Extra machines are provided, and it's a great way to learn to sew. Contact Kally (kallydunn@rocketmail.com) for details of the next sewing dates.

Please ask around for donations of towels in any condition but they do need to be hot washed without fabric softener. These are used to make cloth sanitary pads to go to disaster areas around the world where people have lost everything and as a result of earthquake, flood, fire, or war where there are no shops, transport, and no supplies.

We will also be considering other sewing projects, bring along your ideas and information. Drawstring bags, small quilt covers, port cushions, chemo turbans.... All requests for help will be considered.

If anyone needs a sewing machine there are several available for a donation to Trinity Church.

THE JOSEPH STORY @ AMMERDOWN

Sunday 3 December 2023, 4–5.30pm
£8 (Please note: this is suitable for children aged 12+)

John Sibley presents a warmly funny and gentle eighty-minute one man play that lets Joseph, the forgotten man and displaced father in the Nativity story, have his say.

For more details or to book places, please visit the Ammerdown website and/or call Tessa or Roxy during office hours on 01761 433709

FROM THE OFFICE

Stamps: We collect all used postage stamps; international stamps from other countries are especially appreciated. Tear off just the stamp, leaving about 1cm of paper around the stamp. Place them in the **pink box at the back of the church**. PLEASE REMOVE ANY PLASTIC BAGS.



Used inkjet printer cartridges: We can recycle the following brands only - Canon, Dell, HP, Lexmark, Neopost and Samsung. Only the cartridge is needed, none of the other packaging.

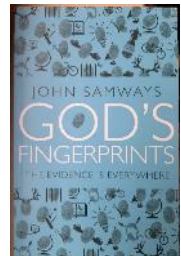
FOIL lined packets: Crisp packets, sweet and chocolate wrappers, and CLEAN FOIL LINED food packets (such as pasta or rice bags for recycling. All recycling needs to be clean and dry. PLEASE—NO BAGS THAT HAVE HAD WET FOOD IN THEM and no ordinary non-foil lined bags.

Writing instruments: Any brand of pen, felt tip, highlighter, marker, correction fluid pot, correction tape, mechanical pencil and eraser pen regardless of their composition. Please note **no glue sticks**, wooden pencils, chalk, erasers, rulers or other cutting objects that could disturb the recycling process.



These beautiful books by Dennis and Daphne Neate about trees and their companion species, are available from the church office for £10.

Also, copies of John Samway's book
'God's Fingerprints'
may be purchased from the office. £10



Trinity Toddlers is a fun, friendly playgroup where toddlers and children aged 0-4 can enjoy two hours of letting off steam by running, riding, climbing, crawling, making, playing, reading, singing, socialising, and more! Payment will be taken on the door (exact cash or card) and costs are: £3.00 per child (£1 extra for each additional child; £4.00 for two children, £5.00 for three children, etc.). Siblings under the age of 1 are free and do not need a ticket.



We provide tea, coffee and biscuits for adults, as well as healthy snacks for children.

MJ Communications (Mobile Phone & Tablet Repairs)



If you ever have a mobile phone or tablet in need of repair, Martin is the bloke to speak to. Always helpful and professional, he has rescued many a desperate person with a smashed screen or drowned phone! Can be contacted on 07846 296545, or found online at www.mjcommunications.co.uk.

James Markham Photography

Relaxed, candid & creative wedding and family photography. Visit my website at www.jamesmarkham.org or contact me via jamesmarkhamphotography@gmail.com for more details.



CHURCH GIVING

If you would like to support the work of Holy Trinity via donation or standing order, your gift would be very gratefully received. To keep the church running for Sunday Services, current costs are around £13,250 per month. With the addition of Children and Youth work, and the Debt Centre the cost is just over £18,000 a month in total.

SUPPORTING THE CHURCH

Account no: 52069117

Sort Code 60-08-31

Reference: GENERAL FUNDS

SUPPORTING THE CHILDREN'S WORK

Account number: 63576341

Sort code: 60 08 31

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SUPPORTING THE DEBT CENTRE

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Join us to celebrate the birth of Jesus

Carols by Candlelight



Our traditional
carol service with
readings, carols
and musical
performances

7pm Sunday 17th December

Carols around the campfire

Join us at
Trinity First School
(BA11 4LB) for
mulled wine,
hot chocolate,
mince pies
and carols

4pm
Monday
18th
December



Christingle Service



A fun-filled service,
brilliant for families
of all ages!

4pm Christmas Eve

Christmas Communion



8pm Christmas Eve

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS!

Welcome Jesus on his
birthday! A service for
all ages to celebrate

10AM CHRISTMAS DAY



The angel said to them,
"Do not be afraid. I bring you
good news that will cause great
joy for all the people. Today in
the town of David a Saviour
has been born to you; he is the
Messiah, the Lord."

Luke 2.10-11

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