

**The church is now open during the following times for private prayer:**

**Sunday 12noon - 4.00pm**

One of the clergy is usually available 10.15am – 12noon

**Monday – Saturday 9.30am – 5.00pm**

During term-time, Morning Prayer is said at 9.15am on Monday to Thursday. The Revd Mark is available then for pastoral conversations. Please contact him by phone or email to discuss the arranging of Weddings, Banns of Marriage, Baptisms, etc.

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St JAMES the APOSTLE  
& St MARY MAGDALENE  
Quedgeley & Kingsway  
Diocese of Gloucester**



#### **1<sup>st</sup> December: The First Sunday in Advent**

#### **10.00am Parish Eucharist**

cel: Fr. Mark pr: Fr. Ian

#### **Bible readings for the Eucharist:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Jeremiah 33.14-16

Reader: Paul Price

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 3. 9 - end

Reader: Jackie Broad

**Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

**Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Gospel:** St Luke 21. 25 - 36

**Intercessions** led by: Steve Morris

#### **Collect for Advent 1**

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

O Lord our God, makes us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **Hymns at the 10am Eucharist today :**

**405, 128, Christ be our light (inside book cover) , 168, 135, 110**

**11.45am: STJ's Worship & Praise**

**please pray for:** those who are ill: Marita Westgate, Elizabeth, Jane & Doug Drakeley, June, Jo Miles, Kevin Dewhurst, Margaret Hartley, Fr. Gordon, Mary Ellis, Rita Cornwall, Marie Spicer, Barbara Valander, Pauline Burgwin, Millie Worrell, Pat & John Hall, Joy Cockerton, Cathy, Shirley Buckle, Doris Webb, Diane Nichols, David Davis, Jan Pace, Sister Remedy

**those who have died:** all those whom we have known & loved; all who have worshipped with us here; all victims of domestic abuse; those who have died as a result of political violence; victims of natural disasters.

**In St James Church: in the coming weeks:**

**4<sup>th</sup> Dec: St Nicholas of Myra, bishop**

**10am Eucharist.** Fr Ian

1 Timothy 6. 6-11; Mark 10.13-16

**4<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

**11.30am - "Bounce & Rhyme"** - babies, toddlers, mums, dads, carers!

**2.00pm: "Tea at Two"** - our last session until 8<sup>th</sup> Jan!

**Fridays at 6.00pm** for an hour of singing. You don't have to be able to read music or have previous experience of singing with others, though many of us do that week by week in our church services! If you would like more information then please contact Fr Michael. It would be good to hear from you!

**8<sup>th</sup> December: The Second Sunday of Advent**

**10.00am Parish Eucharist**

Malachi 3.1 - 4; Philipians 1.3-11; Luke 3.1-6

**11.45am STJ's Worship & Praise**

**9<sup>th</sup> December: "Love 2 Sing" Christmas Concert.**

7.30pm in church. Free admission; refreshments; raffle; retiring collection.

**Carol-singing: Around the parish: 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> December; 5pm – 6.30pm**

This year we shall be on a "Float" driving slowly round three different areas of the parish, playing & singing carols, handing out leaflets welcoming everyone to our Christmas worship, and receiving any donations people care to make! We hope that you will come and join us on at least one of the evenings!

Andrew Wakely has more information; contact him on [andrewmwakely@gmail.com](mailto:andrewmwakely@gmail.com)

**And also at Tesco: Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec at 4pm – followed by refreshments.**

**"Help if we Can":** will present "Last Night of the Proms" at Severn Vale School on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 7.00pm. Tickets - £7.50 – can be booked now by email on or on 01452 725343 during office hours.

***"God loves Quedgeley – let's live that love together!"***

**From the Revd Mark:**

**STJ's, 1<sup>st</sup> December:** will be using a lot of cardboard – so please drop off any empty cereal boxes, or similar, at church before this coming Sunday. Thank You!

**Our Christmas Appeal: Quedgeley Community Pantry**

Please donate a Christmas item: Mince Pies, puddings, Selection boxes, Biscuits, Toiletries, Christmas Crackers – anything Christmassy (non-perishable items please!)

*There is a large container next to the font for your gifts; the Pantry will collect from us on a regular basis up to 15<sup>th</sup> Dec.*

**Coming soon....**

**21<sup>st</sup> Dec: "Messy Christmas" 1pm – 3pm**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Dec: 10am Parish Eucharist, 11.45am StJ's 6pm Lesson & Carols for all**

**Christmas Eve: 3pm Crib Service 6pm Carols with the Charter Band  
11.30pm Midnight Mass**

**Christmas Day: 10am Family Eucharist**

**Steve & Ann Morris** have the following items for anyone who requires them, free of charge or a donation to church funds or charity of your choice:

Computer desk with shelves, 3ft x 1ft 8ins x 2ft 4ins worktop; A4 Clip folders; A4 Soft folders; A4 Box folders; A4 Filing trays;  
Many A4 clear folder pockets  
Call us! 07580 243330

**"Around the Spire":** The bumper December / January edition is in the hands of the printers...

Jackie Hall writes: "Due to the popularity of the magazine around the parish, I receive a flood of articles early in the month & cannot therefore guarantee space if you send me items close to deadline day (20<sup>th</sup>). So please send items as early as possible – it's first come, first served. If you would like to reserve a monthly column, please let me know. Thank you."

***"Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay; give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom on earth as in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever."***