

GROUPS

Group 1 is on duty next Sunday
Group 2 on 7th January
Group 3 on 14th January
Group 1 on 21st January

SUNDAY, 31st December, Christmas 1

9.15 a.m.

Sidespersons: K & C Chamberlain, G Pestell

Parish Breakfast: D & B Tasker

Servers: Team 2

Prayers: T Nichols

Readings: 1 Samuel 2: 18-20; 26
Christmas 1 Yr C Colossians 3: 12-17
Page 686 Luke 2: 41-52

11.00 a.m.

Sidespersons: F & K Parsfield

Sunday School 'Splash' (3-8s), 'Xstream' (8+)

SUNDAY 7th January – Epiphany

9.15 a.m.

Sidespersons: R & F Higgins, B Barnwell

Parish Breakfast: F & R Higgins

Servers: Team 3

Prayers: Young People

Readings: Isaiah 60: 1-6
Epiphany Yr C Ephesians 3: 1-12
Page 33 Matthew 2: 1-12

11.00 a.m.

Sidespersons: R Devey, B Oliver

Sunday School 'Splash' (3-8s), 'Xstream' (8+)

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The weekly news sheet of the Parish of St Augustine of Canterbury, Limbury.

**24th DECEMBER 2006 ADVENT 4 / CHRISTMAS
31st DECEMBER CHRISTMAS 1 EVE**

*A Happy Christmas and New
Year to Everyone!*

WELCOME!

SERVICES

9.15 a.m. PARISH EUCHARIST

"Splash" (3-8s) and "Xstream" (8+) meet in the Church Hall. The children leave Church during the last verse of the first hymn. The Choir Vestry is available throughout the service for small children (plus parent) if needed. Baby changing facilities are available in the disabled toilet. Refreshments are served in the hall after the service. Everyone is very welcome.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Notices and first hymn

Service begins: p.167

Collect: p.378 (24th)
p.381 (31st)

Readings: see separate sheet (or p.682 [24th]
p.686 [31st]
in the Lectionary)

After the Sermon, the Creed p.173

Intercessions and Peace p.174/175

Eucharistic Prayer p.176/177
(Text p.196 "E" [24th]
p.201 "G" [31st])

Lord's Prayer p.178

After Communion p.182

11.00 a.m. 11 O'CLOCK SERVICE (24th & 31st)

The order of service is on the service sheet. The service is for all ages. There is no Sunday School or creche, but the choir vestry is available for small children (plus parent) if needed. Refreshments will be served in Church after the service

DIARY

SUNDAY 24th DECEMBER – ADVENT 4 / CHRISTMAS EVE

9.15 a.m. PARISH EUCHARIST
11.00 a.m. 11 O'CLOCK SERVICE
4.30 p.m. CRIB SERVICE
11.30 p.m. MIDNIGHT MASS

MONDAY 25th DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS DAY

10.00 a.m. CHRISTMAS MORNING
COMMUNION

TUESDAY 26th DECEMBER

NB No Eucharist

WEDNESDAY 27th DECEMBER

NB No Eucharist

FRIDAY 29th DECEMBER

7.30 p.m. Games & Hobbies

SUNDAY 31st DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS 1

9.15a.m. PARISH EUCHARIST
11. a.m. 11 O'CLOCK SERVICE

TUESDAY 2nd JANUARY

9.30 a.m. Eucharist

WEDNESDAY 3rd JANUARY

7.30 p.m. Eucharist

FRIDAY 5th JANUARY

7.30 p.m. Games & Hobbies

SUNDAY 7th JANUARY - EPIPHANY

9.15 a.m. PARISH EUCHARIST WITH YOUNG
PEOPLE
11.00 a.m. 11 CLOCK SERVICE
6.30 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

I am sure that all who came along to the Christmas Tree Festival at St Augustine's would agree that it was a joyous and uplifting occasion, and will join with me in thanking Margaret Woodbridge and all concerned for their organisation, input, expertise and sheer hard work. It was indeed "a cracker", and it is a long time since I have enjoyed anything quite so much.

David Read

(Hear, hear – the Vicar)

ADVENT CANDLES

Advent Hymn: 24th December

*Christmas is coming,
the Church is glad to sing,
and let the Advent Candles
brightly burn in a ring.*

The fourth is for the Virgin,
Who mothered God's own Son,
And sang how God's justice,
Was meant for everyone.

Christmas is coming

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, light of the world,
Blessed is Gabriel, who brought Good News,
Blessed is Mary, your Mother and ours,
Bless your Church, preparing for Christmas,
and bless your children, who long for your coming.

Christmas Day

*Christ is among us,
the candles in the ring
remind us that our Saviour
will light up everything.*

At last we light the candle,
Kept new for Christmas Day,
This shines bright for Jesus,
New born, and here to stay.

Christ is among us

NOTICES

SPECIAL COLLECTION

We are making our special Christmas collection again this year. Special envelopes are available at the back of Church.

The charities supported will be: The Children's Society, The Samaritans, and the Pasque Hospice.

MEN'S CLUB

Next meeting is on 11th January, - "A Year of Slides", by George Mole. 8.00 p.m. in the Church Hall – open meeting, everybody welcome. 50p to cover refreshments.

ADVANCE NOTICE

There will be a New Year Party on 20th January. More details to follow, but please book the date in your Diaries and Calendars.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Sue Jeans would like your used postage stamps to collect to raise money for SANDS, the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society. There is a box at the back of Church for your stamps.