

# St John's, Sevenoaks

## Advent 2 - Sunday 4th December

**Celebrant:** Fr. Barry Compton

**Preacher:** John Robinson

**Music at the Sung Mass** English Hymnal

**Introit:** Drop down ye heavens from above 735

**Offertory:** O come, O come Emmanuel 8

**Communion:** Bread of the world 305

**Recessional:** On Jordan's bank 9

**Anthem:** If ye love me, keep my commandments  
(Tallis)

Please join us in the Hall for refreshments after Mass  
**5.30pm Advent Reflection**

**Christmas Flowers.** There will be a retiring collection on Sundays 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December for flowers to decorate the church for Christmas. Please give generously.

**The Christmas Fair** raised £1277 which is an excellent result and thank you to everyone who helped.

### Gift Day 2011

Thank you very much to all who have given to our Gift Day which has so far raised £6,386 (including tax to be reclaimed under gift aid). It is still possible to make a contribution and all will be very gratefully received.

### Stewardship Envelopes 2012

Thank you to all who have collected their 2012 envelopes. A few sets remain to be collected. If you wish to join the scheme please ask or complete a form. Douglas Seal (Tel: 01732 456124)

### Coming up...

**Nita Collins'** Funeral Service will take place in the church at 2pm on Tuesday 13 December (and not on 9 December as previously announced).

**Christian Aid** is organising Carol Singing at Sevenoaks Station on the evening of Wednesday 21 December. If anyone is interested in taking part, please ring Peter Ashwell on 01732-461087.

### 20 February 2012

Christian Aid is organising a Film Night at the Stag. If anyone wishes to suggest a film, they should write the name on the list at the back of church today.

**The New Year's Day Parish Walk** will take place after Mass on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January

**7 January 2012 at 6pm. The Parish Pantomime & Party** will take place in the Parish Hall. Actors and actresses are needed for the Pantomime. Please contact Carol Cheeseman for details.

The food bank is now supporting up to 20 families a week. Regular donations in the basket at the back of the Church are always welcome. Would you also consider donating something extra, in either food or cash, as we approach Christmas? Please speak to Carole Bonner if you can help.

### This Week...

<b>MON 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Feria We pray for <i>The Faithful Departed</i> 9.30am Holy Communion 10.00-12 Noon Sacred Space 4.00pm Father Christopher's body will be received in the church.
<b>TUE 6<sup>th</sup></b>	St. Nicholas, Bishop We pray for <i>Children</i> (No Morning Mass today) 2.00pm Funeral Mass for Fr. Christopher Dawson
<b>WED 7<sup>th</sup></b>	St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor We pray for <i>Forward in Faith</i> 7.00pm Mass
<b>THU 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BVM</b> We pray for <i>Our Walsingham Cell</i> 9.30am Mass 10.15am Collective Worship (St. John's School in church) 11.00am Gloucester House Communion
<b>FRI 9<sup>th</sup></b>	Feria We pray for <i>The Nursing Homes</i> 10.00am Mass 3.00-4.00pm Sacred space
<b>SAT 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Feria We pray for <i>Our Church cleaners</i> 9.30am Mass
<b>SUN 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>ADVENT III</b> WE PRAY FOR <i>OUR PARISH</i> 10.00am Sung Mass 5.30pm Advent Reflection

If you would like to mark an anniversary of the death of a beloved or an occasion of thanksgiving you are welcome to give a seven day candle that burns at the Walsingham altar or the All Souls altar. The candle costs £3, monies placed in the donations tray at the back of church and name inserted on the list.

If you would like to offer flowers, a donation can be left with Terry and the name inserted on the same list.

Would those lighting votive candles please remember to place 20p in the basket on the table at the back of church.

**During the current vacancy**, the Churchwardens and the Rural Dean will be responsible for the parish. The Churchwardens can be contacted as follows:

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