

# St John's

<b>Tuesday</b>	10.30am	Holy Communion
	2pm	Tea & Chat
	8pm	Rectory Home Group
<b>Wednesday</b>	12.30pm	Little Fishers Parent & Toddler Group
<b>Thursday</b>	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice

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# St John's Church Stanmore

## 1st December 2024

### Welcome

We are delighted to see you in church today and hope you enjoy your time with us.

If you are visiting (or new), please introduce yourself to the Clergy or Churchwardens.

## Services today

**8am**      **HOLY COMMUNION**  
Priest      Matthew Stone

**9.30am**    **ALL-AGE SERVICE**  
                 **WITH BAPTISM**

Priest      Matthew Stone  
OT          Jack  
Gospel      Nkasi & Nkiruka  
Address      Matthew Stone  
Welcome      Valerie Banger  
                 Marianne Wright  
Warden      Pam Curran

**Bible Readings:**  
Jeremiah 33:14-16  
Luke 21:25-36

**Hymns:**  
97    Colours of Day  
300   I heard for voice of Jesus say  
683   To God be the Glory  
637   The Lord's My Shepherd  
416   Lord the light of your love

**5pm**      **UNITED SERVICE**  
Leader      Matthew Stone  
Speaker      Dave Roberts

### ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST - MISSION STATEMENT

Drawn together by Christ's love, we seek by his grace to live out his commandments to love the Lord our God with all of our being; and to love everyone we come across as we love ourselves.

[www.stjohnschurchstanmore.org.uk](http://www.stjohnschurchstanmore.org.uk)

The Church of England's online service is available [here](#)

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## Advent Sunday (Year C begins)

### Collect

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen.

### Post Communion

O Lord our God, make 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. Amen.

## Please remember to pray for:

**Sick:** Rose Akbar, Sheila Bond, Pauline Forsyth, Daniel Simkins and Tim Smith.

## Advent Wreath Prayer (First candle = hope)

Lord Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, to listen to your voice and to focus on what is really important. Help us to place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas Day. Amen.



## Advent Begins!

The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Jesus' second coming at the end of time, and to the anniversary of Jesus birth which we celebrate on Christmas Day.

## Baptism Today

During the 9.30am All-Age Service Nathan (Year 6) and Evelyn (Year 7) will be baptised. We welcome their family and friends.

## Carol Service Rehearsals

Our Christmas Carol service will be at 5pm on Sunday 22nd December.

Adult rehearsals have started and it is not too late to join. The rehearsals are taking place between 11am-midday in the chapel. Please speak to Philip Rees, our Director of Music, if you have wish to join.

## United Advent Service - Today

We are looking forward to welcoming friends from St Anselm's Belmont, St William of York RC Church, Culver Church and Stanmore Baptist Church to join us for a United Service.

The speaker this year is the Revd Dave Roberts, Vicar of St Mark's Kensal Rise.

## Turkey Christmas Lunch 8th December (midday)

Shaun is selling tickets after the 9.30am services for our first Christmas lunch. Turkey with all the trimmings is on the menu (vegetarian option available) to help us get in the festive mood! Tickets cost £6 for adults and include a glass of wine, £3 for children. Desserts are included in the price. You can contact Shaun by emailing:

[shaunknevelt48@gmail.com](mailto:shaunknevelt48@gmail.com)

## 2025 Church Flowers

If you would like to pay for an arrangement of altar flowers in 2025, please choose a date from the list which is on the table at the back of the church and kindly complete one of the yellow forms (with attached Gift Aid form).

## Making St John's Church Safer

Last month we had 'Safeguarding Sunday' which provided an opportunity to share some of the ways that we try to keep everyone safe. The main message to take away is **"safeguarding is everyone's responsibility"**.

It would be really helpful if as many people within our church family undertook the Church of England's basic safeguarding course online. Please email Matthew for the login and password. It doesn't take that long and is worth your time.