Rota for this week

Door Welcome & Collection

Lesley & Mike Wareham

Reader Intercessions Elements

David Battersby Ann Boutflower The Bellringers

Coffee Cleaning Rosie & Andy Drake Ann & David Battersby

Services next Sunday, 18th December 2016 The Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Aston
10:30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	Bampton
6:00 p.m.	Nine Lessons and Carols by Candlelight	Bampton
6:00 p.m.	Carols by Candlelight	Shifford
6:00 p.m.	Carols by Candlelight	Clanfield

Rota for next week

Door Welcome & Collection Reader

Mary & Dennis Bambury

Intercessions

Roger Humphrevs

Ann Flute

Elements Clare & Richard Rednall

Coffee Cleaning Lesley Wareham & Katrina Didewar Jean Gray & Barbara Fielding

Please take this leaflet home with you It will keep you up to date with what's happening at St Mary's.
Further information is on our website: bamptonchurch.org.uk
and in the monthly magazine "Contact".

St Mary the Virgin, Bampton 11th December 2016

The Third Sunday of Advent

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Introit Hymn 32 O come, O come, Emmanuel

Prayer at the Advent Wreath

... Jesus, our Saviour and King of the ages.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare the way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Old Testament Reading Isaiah 35: 1 - 10

Verses from Psalm 146

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! whose hope is in the Lord their God;

Who gives justice to those who are oppressed. and food to those who hunger.

The Lord shall reign for ever,

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia!

The Epistle James 5: 7 - 10

Gradual Hymn 34 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

The Gospel Matthew 11: 2 - 11

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Offertory Hymn 591 The kingdom of God is justice and joy

Post Communion prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**.

Final Hymn 37 The Lord will come and not be slow

Call the Midwife Christmas Special - TONIGHT!!
St Mary's Organ Restoration Fund is delighted to host an evening of festive entertainment. Please join us for a special preview screening of this year's 'Call the Midwife Christmas Special' introduced by the show's Executive Producer, Pippa Harris at 6:30 pm this evening in Bampton Village Hall. Tickets £10, to include mulled wine and mince pies, are available from Bampton Coffee House.

There aren't many tickets left, so don't delay getting yours!

Employment (full time) opportunity at Windmill Farm

Windmill Farm, Clanfield (owned by AdventurePlus) has a full time vacancy for help with maintenance, housekeeping and cleaning; to work weekdays (09:00-17:00) with some flexibility to work evenings and weekends as required.

For more details, please contact Colin or Liz: 01367 810258 or email hospitality@windmillwelcome.org.uk

Notices

Please pray for **Jacob Samuel Bailey w**ho will be baptised here this afternoon.

Holy Communion will be celebrated as usual on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Lady Chapel.

Bampton Primary School Key Stage 2 **Christmas Concert** will be held in St Mary's on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

The School will hold a Christmas Service in St Mary's on Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

The PCC will meet on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Carter Institute, Clanfield.

A funeral service for **Gill Wrigh**t will be held in Garford Crematorium on Friday at 11:00 a.m.

St Hugh's School will hold their annual Carol Service in St Mary's on Friday at 2:45 p.m.

The wedding of **Thomas Crill and Claire Campbell** will take place in St Mary's on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Christmas Decoration of Church

We invite members of the congregation to donate a WHITE CYCLAMEN, and would be grateful if you would please place your gift in the Lady Chapel by Wednesday 14th December.

Decoration of the church will take place on Thursday 15th December. Many thanks.

Further information from Mary Bambury on 01993 850091.

Jill Ruck has at last had her telephone landline connected by BT. Her number is 01242 241844 and she would be thrilled to hear from her many friends in Bampton.

Please now ignore the item in the December Contact.