# PEW SHEET

## Sunday 27th November: Advent Sunday

### Coming Up….

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| 27th November | Sunday | | |
| | 10.00 am | Family Communion | St Giles |
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| | 4.00 pm | Sunday Together | All Saints, B arnby |
| 1st Dec | Thursday | | |
| | 10.00 am | Holy Communion | St Giles |
| | 2-4 pm | Drop In Café | St Giles' Community Hall |
| 3rd Dec | Saturday | | |
| | 10 - 12 noon | Christmas Fair | St Giles' Community Hall |
| **4th Dec** | **Sunday** | | |
| | 10.00 am | Family Communion | St Giles |
| | 12 noon | Baptism | St Giles |
| | 6.00 pm | Advent Carol Service | St Giles |

## CAN YOU HELP?

We are keen to restart our children's provision during the services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month and are looking for volunteers to join the team. **Can you help? If so, please get in touch with Rev Lou on 01636 704811**

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## WARM SPACES IN BALDERTON

All three churches in Balderton welcome you to a safe space to come and keep warm and make friends this winter.

We offer warm spaces at least three times a week.
There will be hot drinks, biscuits, cake and someone to talk to.
Some days there may be activities as well.

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| Every **Monday** at the Methodist Church<br>Light lunch followed by fun and friendship | **9am – 3pm** |
| Every **Wednesday** at the Methodist Church<br>**Bubble Group;** chat and a drink | **2pm – 3.30pm** |
| Every **Thursday** at St Giles Community Hall<br>**Drop in Café** | **2pm - 4pm** |
| Every **Friday** at the Salvation Army Mead Way | **10am – 12noon** |
| On the **Second Tuesday** of the month we offer the **Crafty Cuppa** at St Giles Community Hall .<br>If you have a craft bring it along, otherwise just come for warmth and friendship. | **2pm – 4pm** |

***Donations are welcome but not necessary***

# The BBC Group of Churches

## St Giles, Balderton, All Saints, Barnby in the Willows & All Saints, Coddington

## THE WELL Homeless Drop In *A hot meal for anyone in need*

4 pm to 5pm - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
At Christ Church Community Hall (Top of Lime Grove, near the hospital)

## JOINT GROUPS PARTY

The Joint Groups Party due to be held on Wednesday 7th December has had to be cancelled. However, Men's Group members and their partners along with Wednesday Group members and their partners are invited to join Wednesday Group on 14th December at 7.30pm. Please advise your group leaders if you intend attending. Please bring nibbles to share. Drinks will be provided.

## NEWARK CALENDARS NOW AVAILABLE

2023 Calendars by local Newark artist, Tony Goulding, are now available to buy from Jean Newson. For each one bought through Jean the church will receive £3.00. Calendars are £12 each - an ideal Christmas gift !

If you'd like to take a closer look you can visit Tony Goulding Art on facebook.

Give Jean a call on 01636 673970 and secure your copy now.

**Information on how to get your tickets for our Christingle services will be available soon.**

You can make a donation to the Children's Society via St Giles' Christingle page here:
**https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/christingle/st-giles-church-balderton**

# Readings for Sunday 27th November—Advent Sunday

**Collect**
Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Isaiah 2. 1-5**
The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. [2] In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

[3] Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. [4] He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning -hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

[5] O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

**Romans 13. 11-14**
[11] Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; [12] the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; [13] let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. [14] Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

**Matthew 24. 36-44**
[36] 'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. [37] For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. [38] For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, [39] and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. [40] Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. [41] Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. [42] Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. [43] But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. [44] Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

**Post Communion Prayer**
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 HELP US RAISE ENOUGH MONEY

## BARNBY CHURCH WATERLESS LOO PROJECT

We are raising money to install an eco friendly waterless (composting) loo in our Churchyard.

**To do this we need to raise a total of £14,000**

We have raised some money already from church and community members but we need to raise £2000 now to fund the necessary planning procedures.
**Can you help ?**

All Saints, Barnby in the Willows

To help us do this we have set up a gofund.me page.

Please do visit

**https://gofund.me/d4a60941**

Scan to donate QR Code

www.bbc-churches.org.uk

Christmas Service Posters and Fliers are now available. Please help us to spread the word around the village by taking fliers and distributing wherever you can.

Thank you so much x

## NEW HOME GROUP STARTING IN THE NEW YEAR

**"The Bible Course"**
**by The Bible Society**

An eight-session course helping you explore the BIG story.

Big, complex, old ... just some of the words people use to describe the Bible. Sound familiar? That's where The Bible Course comes in. The course will increase your confidence, equip you to read the Bible better and help you to see its relevance to daily life. The course provides a birds-eye view of the world's bestselling book.

***Watch this space for more information.***

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***Please contact the Community Hall Booking Secretary Deborah Pollard on 01636 672923 for more details, a booking form and conditions of hire. For more information see the notice board inside the Hall.***