



News and Notices

Week of 21st November

Sunday 21st November
10am Holy Communion
Christ the King

President: *Revd. Nick Davies*
Preacher: *Revd. Jade Scholes*

Readings:

- Rev 1 4b-8
- John 18: 33b-37

Hymns

- 227 Crown him with many crowns
489 From heaven you came
232 The head that once was crowned
with thorns
612 Christ triumphant

Anthem Jesu joy of man's desiring - Bach

4pm Tea Time Church

We are not currently live streaming our Sunday services; however, we will keep this under review should there be any change to Coronavirus restrictions and people's ability to join us in person. Morning Prayer will continue to be livestreamed every weekday at 9am and people may join in person if they wish. For Sunday live streamed worship you may wish to join one of the following:

St Peter's, Leckhampton:

<https://www.facebook.com/stpetersleckhampton>

Gloucester Cathedral:

<https://www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk/worship/services/services-live-stream/sunday-eucharist--live-stream.php>

Upcoming Services:

Morning Prayer

This service is at 9.00am every weekday and rotates around the parish. Feel free to attend in person or to livestream.

Monday	Pip and Jim's
Tuesday	St Christopher's
Wednesday	Emmanuel
Thursday	St Peter's
Friday	Online only

Livestreamed at:

www.facebook.com/pipandjims

Wednesday, 24th November

12pm- Midweek Holy Communion

Holy Communion at Pip & Jim's, 12.00 noon in the Memorial Chapel.

Sunday, 28th November

10am – Holy Communion

6pm – Team Advent Carols at **St Peter's**

COVID-19 Update

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 situation, we have decided to continue to encourage the wearing of facemasks within the church until further notice.

Please ensure that you bring your reusable face covering to church with you.

We will not be serving tea or coffee after services at this time.

Upcoming Events:

Weekly Events:	
Tuesday	Wednesday
Silent Prayer 12pm to 1pm in the Memorial Chapel	CAMELOT Lunch 12:30pm, Nave (£4.50 on the day)
Thursday	Fridays (term time only)
Voices Rechoired Thursdays, 14:30 Nave (£3 on the day)	Little Pips 9:30am-11:30am Nave (£2.50 on the day)
CAMELOT Lunch 21 st November, 12pm Pip and Jims	The Sunday on 21 November will be either roast beef and all the trimmings or a delicious, though vegetarian, sausage cottage pie. Dessert is either: pear and ginger crumble or mango mousse with fresh mango. Price £7.50 on the day. Meet at 12 for a pre-lunch drink. Please let Christine know in advance on 515192 whether you are coming and which option you would like. As a forward date for your diary, the Christmas Lunch (£10 to the Church Office in advance) will be on Sunday 19 December from 12.00.
Christmas Fayre 27 th November, 10am-2:30pm Pip and Jim's	Lots of stalls, cookery competition, raffle and refreshments. Come along and buy your Christmas presents, admire the winning exhibits or just have tea, coffee, sandwiches and cake. Entry forms are available at the church.
Charlton Kings Choral Society Concert 27 th November, 8pm Pip and Jim's	CKCS will be performing a range of music including Vivaldi's Gloria, Zelenka's Magnificat in D and Haydn's Little Organ Mass. Tickets are £18 available from http://www.ckcsonline.org.uk/
Advent Service 28th November, 6pm St Peter's	Advent Carol Service at St Peter's for the whole of South Cheltenham.
Approach Advent with a new viewpoint this year through Compline 29 November – 20 th December, 7.30pm St Stephen's	Each Monday in Advent (29th November - 20th December) at 7:30pm in St Stephen's we will celebrate Compline, and an Advent Reflection will be given by Fr Sebastian. These are inspired by 'Toy Story', 'Little Shop of Horrors', 'Wall-E', and 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows'. No need to watch the films in advance, but it may help. The services will be streamed on Facebook too. ststephenstivoli@gmail.com
An Advent Enneagram 4 th December. 10am – 3pm St Peter's	A collaborative exploration of the Passions (vices) and Virtues of the Enneagram through the nativity narrative with reflections on our modern day experiences of Christmas. Please see attached poster for further information.

Damien Evans R.I.P

Damien Evans' Memorial Service will be held at 12pm on 26th November Pip and Jims. Please hold Gill and Damien's family and friends in your prayers.

Gerry Gahan R.I.P

Gerry Gahan's memorial will be held in Pip and Jims on 10th December at 2.00pm. Please hold Jean and all of Gerry's family and friends in your prayers.

Foodbank

We are currently in need of: chocolate, biscuits, shampoo, coffee, UHT milk, jam, toothbrushes, washing powder, shaving gel and conditioner.

John Mayo R.I.P

John Mayo died on 30th October, 2021. Please hold Linda and all the family in your prayers. His funeral will be held at Pip and Jims at 12.30pm on 3rd December.

12 days of giving

Every weekday from the 6th – 21st December Ecclesiastical Insurance will draw 10 charities to support and Pip and Jim's has been nominated. To support us, click on this [link](#) or the button on our website. Charity number: 1134837

Venue Manager Role– Message from Revd. Nick

'As you will know, we have been really pleased to see the number of community groups using our new flexible space. The responsibility for preparing the space and hosting those groups has fallen on the shoulders of a few, dedicated volunteers. Our church council has discussed this and recently agreed to the appointment of a paid venue manager who will work 25 hours a week to enable us to put our community venue on a more sustainable footing. This new role will encompass duties currently performed by our Community Engagement Officer, as Rhys Topping's contract comes to an end this December.

There will, of course, still be the need for members of the church to play our role in preparing the space, particularly for worship and church events but it is hoped that by appointing a venue manager we will ease the burden on key individuals so that we can all enjoy this space as a creative place for worship, mission and for the enrichment of our wider community. Should you know of anyone who may be interested in the role, details can be found on our website. Please hold this process in your prayers, as this is an important appointment for the realisation of our reordering vision.

The application pack for the Venue Manager role can be found [here](#).

Piano Update

We are delighted with the new black piano which has been paid for by generous donations from members of our congregation, the Gala Concert, and a grant from Cheltenham Borough Council. We are seeking donations to cover the cost of the piano stool (£299), the cover (£199), and the wheels that allow us to move it easily round the nave (£297). If any music lover would like to contribute we would be very pleased to hear from you. Please email clair_chilvers@hotmail.com.

Hawley Trust – Property to Rent

The property available to rent is a two bedroomed house at Charlton Kings next to Holy Apostles Church. £530 per calendar month, plus council tax and utilities. Income limit is £12,500 (£25,000 for two) Capital limit £37,500 (£75,000 for two). Applicants must be aged over 55 yrs and have a connection with a church. The property is in a gated development of 3 bungalows and 3 houses. Enquiries to Daphne and Andrew Ellis (Trustees): ellanda60@theemailco.net

Sunday 28th November: Ramallah

Partnership Service

Next Sunday we are hoping to have a live link with St Andrews Ramallah and to here from Rev. Fadi on the situation there. This should be a good opportunity to get an update, hold them in our prayers and renew our link. Do hold in your prayers all of the technical aspects as we set it up this week!

"Would you like to share a little light and joy this December? You can play your part by taking part in our living Advent Calendar!"

At least 24 volunteers (individuals and businesses) agree to decorate a street-facing window (an 'advent window') on a nativity theme. Each is assigned a date. At least one new window 'opens' (appears and is lit) every day from 1st to 24th December

Each window then remains 'open' from its opening day from at least 5pm until 1st January.

Trail leaflet is created, and we have an advent window trail around Cheltenham that anyone can walk around and enjoy. Some may choose to do it as December progresses, others may prefer to wait until they're all open and follow the completed trail all in one go. (We will do vague directions for each location to not give out individual house numbers/make it a bit of a treasure hunt.)

To take part please email Rev Sarah Haden by the 25th of November at sarah@cnc.church

Little Pips

Little Pips has restarted however spaces are limited and you need to book your place online prior to Friday. Please check the Facebook page for more information and the link to booking.

<https://www.facebook.com/LittlePipsToddlers>

Reflecting on next week's Gospel Reading

Below you will find the Gospel reading for next week. You are invited to take some time to reflect on the reading and consider what God might be saying to you...

Find yourself a quality moment, not always easy! Pray for God to speak to you through the reading.

Read it once and underline a word or sentence that strikes you

Read it again and ask yourself what God might be saying to you?

Read it once more and ask what God might be saying to Pip and Jims?

Finish with a prayer.

Luke 21. 25-36

The Coming of the Son of Man

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

The Lesson of the Fig Tree

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

Exhortation to Watch

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

Contact Details – Pip & Jim's

Parish Office

(Monday – Friday, 9.00am – 12.00 noon)

Please contact the Parish Office for any general enquiries, or visit our website:

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South Cheltenham Churches Youth Worker

Hanna Stürcken

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Should you wish to use the church for a church activity or meeting, please liaise with Rhys to check availability at

bookings@pipandjims.org.uk or in the office weekdays 09:00-12:00



Hearing Loop System

For those of hard of hearing the church has a loop system. Please tune your hearing aid accordingly.



Church WiFi:

Network: Guest Wi-Fi

Password: pipandjim