

The Parish Church of St Barnabas, Swanmore



**St Barnabas, Swanmore – Making Christ known in our community
through care for all, welcoming hospitality and worship for all ages**

Welcome to St Barnabas.....

If you would like more information about our church please speak to Claire (the Vicar),
or one of the many people helping out.

Information can also be found on our website: www.stbarnabas.org.uk.

Please do join us for tea or coffee after the service

Gluten free wafers are available. Please speak to the sidespeople if you would like one

Today: November 25th Christ the King

8.00 Eucharist

President & Preacher: Claire

10.00 Sunday Club Toy Service - toys collected for the Roberts Centre, Portsmouth

Barnaby's opening hours this week:

Tue, Wed: 2pm – 4.30pm

Thu, Fri: 9am – 12 & 2pm – 4.30pm

Sat: 10am – 1pm

Monday 26th

16.00 Standing Committee, Vicarage

Tuesday 27th

10.00-11.00 Pause to Pray,
wherever you are

Wednesday 28th

9.15 School's Worship on Wednesday

11.00 NO Eucharist

19.00 Mothers Union, Paterson Centre

Thursday 29th

8.15 Morning Prayer

Friday 30th

12.00 Funeral of Sydney Dean, church

Saturday 1st December

10.00 Children's Society Coffee Morning,
Paterson Centre

Sunday 2nd Advent Sunday

8.00 Eucharist

President & Preacher: Mary

10.00 Parish Eucharist

President & Preacher: Claire

NB. During Advent, Sunday Club starts in
church for the first hymn and the
lighting of the Advent wreath.

Prayer of the Day (Collect)

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

1st Reading : **Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14**

A reading from the Book of Daniel

As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
 and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
 and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
 and its wheels were burning fire.
A stream of fire issued
 and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him,
 and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgement,
 and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
 coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
 and was presented before him.

To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

2nd Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

A reading from the book of Revelation

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Post-Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Notices

Next week's readings are: **Jeremiah 33:14-16, 1 Thessalonians 3:9-end and Luke 21:25-36**

Missions' Giving Thank you to everyone who voted: The 3 missions we will be supporting are: **The Roberts Centre, Portsmouth, The Salvation Army and St George Foundation**. The collections at our Christmas services will be split 3-ways between each of these. Posters will be available soon to show which Sundays in 2019 will be given to supporting each of these 3 missions.

The Link The PCC welcomes any comments on its trial of using the Link as our entrance into church. So as to properly process any comments you have, please send typed or written comments to vicar@stbarnabas.org.uk or via The Vicarage.

Wednesday morning 11am Eucharist The next services are 19th Dec and 2nd, 16th and 30th January. NB. There is no service on 5th December because it the School nativity play week.

Roddy Innes Roddy's Memorial service will be in church on Thursday 13th December at 2pm. All welcome.

Eastleigh Fusion Choir After a two-year gap, the Eastleigh Fusion Choir will be performing in St Barnabas' again on Saturday 8th December – the weekend of the Christmas Tree Festival. Their programme will as usual include a variety of well-known songs as well as Christmas items. Doors open at 7pm and start time is 7.30pm. I have tickets, so you can see me after church on Sunday mornings or contact me, ideally by text to 07771 771826. Definitely a date to put in your diary now! Tony King

Crocus bulb planting Mike and Jenny Maunder have kindly donated 500 crocus bulbs for the churchyard. If anyone would like to plant a bag of 50, please see Jill.

Christingle-Making Team needed! Although some Christingles will be made at Messy Church on the day of the service, the majority of Christingles will still need to be made. This will take place at 9am on Saturday 8th December. Please see or contact Vicky Cronin (891024) if you can help out.

Messy Church / Christingle Service The next Messy Church will NOT be on November 30th as previously advertised. Instead it will be from 3pm-4.30pm on Sunday 9th December, leading straight into the Christingle service at 4.30pm. If you can help with either or both, please see Claire or Jill. Also, Messy Church has been running at St Barnabas for 10 years now and the Messy Church Team and PCC will be discussing its future development. If you have any comments, thoughts or ideas about it, please speak to Claire, Sally, Jill or Emma Sajo.

Christmas Eve Crib Service We are currently planning the Crib Service. Like last year, we would like to have 4 adults, dressed as nativity characters, outside welcoming people as they come in to Church (weather permitting) We have the fire pit ready and this year we have some adult costumes! If you can help, please let me know. Thanks. Ben 07927 933073

Pause to Pray! Remember to Pause to Pray every Tuesday between 10am and 11am. It is not another prayer meeting but instead is an invitation to you to pray at some point in that hour wherever you are. Please pray for our church - that we might grow in our discipleship, our relationship with our community and in numbers of our church family.

Christmas Tree Festival 7-9th December in church. This year's theme is Christmas music and we are looking forward to having lots of trees up in church. We are looking for volunteers to be in church on Friday 7th and Saturday 8th from 10am to 4pm, and Sunday afternoon. Please sign up on the rota at the back of church or see Jill.

Mothers' Union will meet on Wednesday 28th November in the Paterson Centre. We will be watching the film "Victoria and Albert" after which we will be discussing the issues raised. We will be meeting at the earlier time of 7pm. All are very welcome to come and enjoy the film.

Meon Valley Food Thank you so much for all your kind donations. We were able to help a further 7 referrals today which would not be possible without your generous donations. Our clients are always so encouraged by your support, it really does make a difference to them and shows that our local community cares. The items needed for the coming week are custard, tinned cold meats (spam, Corned beef), tinned carrots, Long Life UHT Milk and Christmas Goodies.

Follow us on twitter @MeonValleyFB or at www.meonvalleyfoodbank.co.uk

Poppy Appeal 2018 The final figure collected in Swanmore for the Poppy Appeal amounted to £3996.87 plus approx £142 Gift Aid still to come in. (Church collection £860.18.) Thank you to all involved during this very significant Remembrance year and for this record total. Wendy Horn

'Nativity' Film in Church Saturday 15th December at 2pm. This is a mission and outreach event (and therefore free) for children and families with the film 'Nativity' being shown followed by carol singing and then tea in the Paterson Centre. Father Christmas will be joining us and giving presents for children. Help needed! We would be grateful for any of the following: plates of sandwiches or small cakes/sweet biscuits for the tea, wrapping paper for the presents, help on the afternoon and help cleaning up afterwards! Please see Jill with offers of help.

Christmas Saxophones! Don't miss out on an opportunity to hear the wonderful 'Blow Saxophone Ensemble' on Friday 21st December at 7.30pm in church. Tickets £5 each, available shortly, refreshments on sale in the interval. All proceeds towards the disabled toilet in the Link

For our daily prayers

All those who live in **Mislingford Road, Holywell** and **Westfield Drive**.

Those we know who are unwell including: **Jan White, Wendy Tucker, Clare Burton, Derek Lord, Peter & Diana Angelis, Carolyn Berry, Marion & John Harrison, Arthur O'Loughlin, Bridget Sanderson and David Thomas.**

All those who have been recently bereaved, especially the family and friends of **Roddy Innes, Sydney Dean** and baby **Willow Hillier**.

*Please send all items for December 2nd pew leaflet by **Wed 28th** afternoon to vicar@stbarnabas.org.uk or office@stbarnabas.org.uk*