

## THE PARISH OF WORTH, POUND HILL & MAIDENBOWER

*St Nicholas, Worth & St Barnabas, Pound Hill*



“not one stone will be left upon another;  
all will be thrown down.”

**Sunday November 17th 2013**  
**Second Sunday before Advent**

*If you have time afterwards, please  
stay for refreshments.*

*At the Distribution of Communion all  
are welcome to come to the altar rail  
to receive a blessing or, if baptised,  
the Communion.*

*Children are welcome at all our  
services, and there are soft toys and  
children's books at the back of the  
church for their use.*

### SERVICES TODAY

08.00 Holy Communion (BCP)

at St Nicholas

*Celebrant:* Canon Anthony Ball

*Preacher:* Chris Sutton

09.45 Sung Eucharist at St Nicholas

*Celebrant & Preacher:* Rev'd Gordon Parry

10.00 Family Eucharist at St Barnabas

*Celebrant & Preacher:* Rev'd Angela Martin

### Next week's Readings

Jeremiah 23. 1 - 6

Psalms 46

Colossians 1. 11 - 20

Luke 23. 33 - 43

### The Assistant Rector writes:-

Dear All,

As I write this week's piece it is in hopeful anticipation of our big fundraising event tomorrow - **The Christmas Fair!** So in anticipation of all the hard work that will have gone into making this event a success I would like to say THANK YOU to all who have prepared, set up, manned stalls, made tea and coffee, smiled, were on their feet all day and cleared up at the end! Not forgetting all those who came along to support. Over the past year I have heard it mentioned more than once that there is a feeling that the parish is run a bit like a commercial company and in some ways that is true. We do need to be ever mindful of how we use the resources we have available and to do that we need to be able to keep track of them and that means committees (small groups of people) who take responsibility for a particular area; each group making up part of the whole. What we lose sight of sometimes is the importance of being part of the whole. Yes we are business like but we are business like as a group and I think we make a pretty good group! However, the word group or business is not the right word to be using because neither really sum up what we are all about. As I sit and ponder all the effort and excitement that tomorrow will bring it's another word that springs to mind and that word is **community**. A group of people with a common unity - our love of God. With love and prayers to the whole community,

from your sister in Christ, *Angela*

**We will be making a special collection  
for the DEC today in aid of the  
Philippines - every penny counts!**

**Collect –**

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**Post Communion Prayer –**

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Amen.**

**Our Charity for November is  
The Children’s Society.**

Please give generously, thank you.



Slips are now available in both churches for people who would like to nominate a charity for the parish to support with Christmas collections.

If you are interested in.....



...please speak to Joan Tick, Stuart Sharpe, Rosemary Cordan or Myrtle Taylor.

**SERVICES during next week**

**St Nicholas**

**Mon -Fri** 07.30 Morning Prayer

**Sat** 08.30 Morning Prayer

**St Barnabas**

**Mon - Sat** 17.00 Evening Prayer



Tues 10.30 Eucharist – St Barnabas

Thurs 10.30 Eucharist -St Nicholas

Fri 11.30 Chat & Pray – Pavilion Café  
Maidenbower

Sat **No weddings**

10.30 Burial of Ashes – St Nicholas

**Services next Sunday**

**Christ the King**

08.00 Holy Communion (BCP)

- St Nicholas

09.45 No Service at St Nicholas

10.00 Parish Eucharist - St Barnabas

12.00 Holy Baptism – St Nicholas

15.00 Holy Baptism – St Nicholas

**‘The Meaning is in the Waiting’**

A book of reflection by Paula Gooder, suitable for reading during Advent.



**2014**

**Parish Away Day**

**March 8th at Rowfant House**

Put the date in your diaries now,  
more details to follow

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) is a great way to raise funds for the Church while you Christmas shop on the internet. If you have not already done so then please register. If you are registered please remember to select easyfundraising whenever you shop."

## NOTICES

### Friday Lunches in the Pastoral Centre

Tickets for November 29th are available - £5.50 each, 2 courses plus a drink

**Saturday November 23rd CURC** showing the BBC **The Nativity** commencing at 10.00 until 3.30 with hot snacks at 12.30.



**Sunday November 24th Christ the King Parish Eucharist at St Barnabas 10.00am.**, followed by refreshments (including 'drinks & nibbles') served in the Hall. Also a short Q&A session with the clergy & parish officers.

**Sunday School in the Pastoral Centre 10.00am.**

**Saturday November 30th** a 'DVD Day' at the Pastoral Centre showing "The Life of Christ" Coffee - 10.45, DVD 1 - 11.00, Lunch 1.00, DVD 2, 1.45 - 4.15. **Sign-up** sheets in both churches now.

A ploughman's lunch will be available. Please sign-up this week, thank you.

## DIARY NOTES

### Sunday December 1st Christingle

St Nicholas **11.30**. - St Barnabas **3.00pm**  
&

**Advent Carols 6.30pm at St Nicholas**



**Christmas Lunches** in the Pastoral Centre, **Friday December 6th and 13th at 12.30 pm**. Tickets **£10** each must be bought in advance. Menu includes turkey & trimmings, Christmas pudding, mince pies, glass of wine, tea/coffee, etc. Tickets available from the Pastoral Centre NOW.

**Saturday 14th December** 3.00 - 5.00pm **Christmas Tea** in the Pastoral Centre Tickets £5.50 each, available now from ...



Jan Brooks, Karen Fly, Ann Lane, Jane Stanford or Phyl Pennell.

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**Christmas is coming !**

**There will be lots of used postage stamps**, please save them and place in the boxes provided at the Pastoral Centre & at the back of both churches - Proceeds from the sale of these help such charities as .....  
St. Catherine's Hospice & Blond McIndoe

### 100 Club draw November:

19	Jim Bull	£100.00
4	Rose Wells	£ 50.00
42	Don Hewardine	£ 25.00
7	Jan Brooks	£ 25.00



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**LIST** & information **LEAFLET** are now available in both churches please sign up to "host" the travelling crib during Advent.

**LAST week to do so !**