

## What's on week commencing 19 November 2017

Mon 20	7.30pm	Dormston Fabric Committee	The Red Hart, Dormston
	8.00pm	Cell Group	The Bulls Head, Inkberrow
Tues 21	7.45pm	Choir Rehearsal	St Peter's, Inkberrow
	8.00pm	Orchard House Cell Group	2 Greenscroft Way, Inkberrow
Wed 22	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow
	7.30pm	St Paul's PCC Meeting	St Paul's Church, Cookhill
	8.00pm	Cell Group	Copper Brier, Inkberrow
Thurs 23	8.30am	Morning Prayer	St Paul's, Cookhill
	10.30am	Interment of Ashes Joseph Connor	St Nicholas' Church, Dormston
Friday 24	12noon	Funeral of Frank Allen	St Peter's Church, Inkberrow
Sun 26	11.00am	Junior Church	St Peter's Hall, Inkberrow

**Annual Christmas Fair, Saturday 9th December**,  
St Nicholas' Church, Dormston.  
10am – 1.00pm. Gifts Tombola, Christmas Produce,  
Refreshments and More. All Proceeds to church funds.



### St Nicholas' Patronal Eucharist 11.00am Sunday 10th December .

Please join us for this service at which Bishop Graham will be presiding. Refreshments afterwards.

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL** We are looking to hold a Christmas Tree Festival this year at **St Peter's Church, Inkberrow. From Saturday 2nd December 2017** through advent. We are inviting local organisations and groups to take part and create or decorate a tree of up to 4ft tall that reflects the nature, ethos or any aspect of their organisation. The event will open with a **Coffee Morning on the 2nd December from 10-12am**. The church will then be open throughout Advent for people to come and visit as they please.

If you would like to take part in this event. Please email [admin@cofe-inkberrow.org.uk](mailto:admin@cofe-inkberrow.org.uk) or telephone Benefice Administrator Maria Lazenbury 07741 494184 or contact Rev'd Bruce Rienstra 01386 792222. We do hope you can join in getting creative and taking part in this festive event. Donations of cakes and offers of help with the coffee morning will also be gratefully received. Many Thanks Rev'd Bruce Rienstra

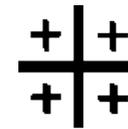


### CHURCH CONTACTS: [www.cofe-inkberrow.org.uk](http://www.cofe-inkberrow.org.uk)

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The **BENEFICE** of **INKBERROW**  
with **COOKHILL** and **KINGTON**  
with **DORMSTON**



**2nd Before Advent**  
**19th November 2017**

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**Mission Statement ....** A welcoming church, community centred on the unconditional love of Jesus. Vibrant and growing; Serving and nurturing; Encountering God and transforming lives.



### SERVICES for Sunday 19 November 2nd before Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Peter's Church, Inkberrow
9.30am	Family Communion	St Paul's Church, Cookhill
9.30am	Traditional Holy Communion	St Peter's Hall, Inkberrow
11.00am	Holy Communion	St James's Church, Kington
11.00am	Informal Worship	St Peter's Church, Inkberrow

### **Collect for 2nd before Advent**

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 2nd before Advent**

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**

### **Today's Readings**

#### **1 Thessalonians 5.1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! <sup>4</sup>But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; <sup>5</sup>for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; <sup>7</sup>for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us, so that whether

we are awake or asleep we may live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

### **Matthew 25. 14-30**

<sup>14</sup>For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; <sup>15</sup>to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. <sup>17</sup>In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. <sup>18</sup>But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup>After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." <sup>22</sup>And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." <sup>24</sup>Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." <sup>26</sup>But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

### **Prayer Focus**

Pray for all those affected and the families of the hundreds killed by the devastating earthquake in Iran and Iraq. Pray that the relief agencies can bring much needed resources and help to these areas quickly and safely.

Pray for the people of Zimbabwe as the political crisis continues. We pray for calm and that a rationale approach is taken to try and bring stability to the country for the future.

Pray for all the wonderful work and generosity of the national towards this years' Children in need appeal. Pray for all the young people that provide strength and inspiration to others facing adversity and challenge and to all the organisations who so brilliantly support these individuals.

### **Those bereaved of:**

John Davis; John Kenny; Frank Allen; Nigel Cook; Mike Morrison;

**Those who are in special need:** Sandy Carruthers; David; Maureen Dew; Eileen; Kathleen Hollis; Jamie; Sheila Nicholson; Ann; Graham; Anne; Bréda; Bob McCarthy; Reuben Bell; Irene Fowler; Noah; Peter Evans; Tim Beddall; Rosemary Biggs; Nick; Wayne Poulton;

### **Cycles of Prayer for the Wider Church:**

- Upton Deanery – Rural Dean: Christopher Moss; Lay Chair: Maria Toman
- Diocese of Uyo (Nigeria): Bishop Prince Asukwo Antai Estonian
- Evangelical Lutheran Church: Archbishop Urmas Viilma with Bishops Einar Soone, Tiit Salumäe, Joel Luhamets, Andres Taul
- Diocese of Rochester: Bishop James Langstaff

### **Local Churches, Community and Daily lives:**

- Cookhill, St Paul and Rev'd Diane Hayward-Wright and Rev'd Bruce Rienstra;
- Those who live and work in Midsummer Meadow and Brecon Close, Inkberrow;

### **Daily Bible Readings W/C 19 November 2017**

Date	Psalms	1st Reading	2nd Reading
Sun 19 Nov, 2nd Sunday before Advent	89.19-37	1 Kings 1.15-40	Luke 9.1-6
Mon 20 Nov, Edmund, King of the East Angles, Martyr	47	Isaiah 9.8-10.4	Matthew 7.1-12
Tues 21 Nov	48, 52	Isaiah 10.5-19	Matthew 7.13-end
Wed 22 Nov,	56	Isaiah 10.20-32	Matthew 8.1-13
Thurs 23 Nov, Clement, Bishop of Rome, Martyr	62	Isaiah 10.33-11.9	Matthew 8.14-22
Fri 24 Nov	63	Isaiah 11.10-12.end	Matthew 8.23-end
Sat 25 Nov, Catherine of Alexandria, Martyr	78.1-39	Isaiah 13.1-13	Matthew 9.1-17

**Banns of Marriage:** None to publish 19/11/2017



**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT**, 21<sup>st</sup> December, 7.30pm  
St Peter's Church Inkberrow. A candlelit evening of carols, readings and prayers to celebrate the Christmas Story. Please join us for this wonderful event.

### **SERVICES for Sunday 26 November, CHRIST THE KING (next before Advent)**

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Peter's Church, Inkberrow
9.30am	Family Communion	St Paul's Church, Cookhill
9.30am	Traditional Holy Communion	St Peter's Hall, Inkberrow
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