

ST MARY'S MAGAZINE ADVENT 2016



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday 18 December at 10.00am: Nine Lessons and Carols Saturday 24 December at 4.00pm: Christingle Service Saturday 24 December at 11.30pm: Midnight Eucharist Sunday 25 December at 10.00am: Christmas Day Eucharist

RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS (Bob's Bit)

'Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen.' *Revelation* 1. 7 In Advent we prepare for both comings of the Lord Jesus, his first, which we celebrate as Christmas, and his second, at some unknown time in the future, when he will come again to judge the world and to usher in the new heaven and new earth. I find it helpful to hold both comings together as elements of God's plan of salvation. Jesus' first coming was the rescue mission in which God reconciled the world to himself through Christ and created a new society, the Church. Jesus' second coming will see the full realisation of this plan when Christ will present the Church to God the Father. Are we ready for that momentous occasion?

<u>St Mary's Fellowship Group programme</u>

Date	Time and Venue	Topic	Contact
18.1.17	7:00pm Bridges cafe TBC	Burns Supper	Leonie 573601
15.2.17	7:30 The Rectory	Speaker TBC	Bob Harley 575515
15.3.17	7:30 Katherine's	Poetry evening	Katherine 574871
13.4.17	6:30 St Mary's	Maundy Thursday tea after church	Bob Harley 575515
17.5.17	7:30 Marguerite's	Quiz	Marguerite 574574
21.6.17	TBC	Walk and meal	Leonie 573601
16.8.17	7:30 Leonie's	My Favourite Hymn	Leonie 573601
20.9.17	7:30 Claire's?	TBC	Claire
18.10.17	7:30 May and Susan's	Beetle drive at Kirkton Court	Leonie 573601
15.11.17	7:30 Leonie's	Business meeting	Leonie 573601
TBC	Peter Pan statue	Carol singing	Leonie 573601

ST MARY'S SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER 2016 VISIT OF BISHOP DAVID AND ALISON



We are looking forward to the visit of Bishop David and Alison. Please sign up for the lunch after the service, which will be held at Broomhill, Glen Prosen, the home of Martin and Mary.

