

St. James the Less **Nutley Church**

THE NOTICEBOARD

HAPPY ADVENT AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

SERVICES

2 December <i>Advent Sunday</i>	December 2018
9 December	9.15 All Age Service
16 December	6.30 Holy Communion
19 December	8.00 Holy Communion*
23 December	9.15 Morning Service
24 December	9.15 Parish Communion
<i>In Maresfield</i>	9.30 Holy Communion
25 December <i>Christmas Day</i>	8.00 Holy Communion*
30 December	6.30 Carol Service
	4.00 Christingle Service
	11pm Holy Communion
	9.15 All Age Communion
	10.30 Holy Communion‡

* We use the Book of Common Prayer for this service

‡ In Nutley; a joint service with Maresfield

EVENTS/FUTURE SERVICES

Coffee Pop-In every Wednesday from 10.15 – 11.15 in the Church Hall

Sunrise Café every Friday in term time from 9 – 10 in the Church Hall

The monthly Prayer Meeting will be on Wednesday 5 December at 9.30 in the back of church near children's area.

The Village Lunch will be on Monday 10 December at 12.30 in the Church Hall

Sing Nowell - a joyful selection of carols and seasonal songs performed by the Ashdown Singers. Sunday 9 December at 3pm; Christ Church, Fairwarp. Tickets: £7.00 (under 16 years free). Pay on the door or contact 01825 760285.

ADVENT AND THE YEAR OF VOCATIONS

Advent Sunday is the start of the church's liturgical year, ie a New Year's Day for our worship, with a new calendar of readings. It is the start of a cycle of worship, beginning with the Advent season devoted to the expectation of Christ's birth, and to his coming again and being ready for it. Then we have the other seasons of Christmas, Epiphany, Lent and Easter, and then back again to Trinity Sunday followed by six months or so of "ordinary time" through the summer.

Bp Martin has declared this to be a diocesan Year of Vocations, when we will explore our calling to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to family, friends and colleagues. He diocese will publish plans for this in mid-January.

WELL DONE SUNRISE CAFÉ for the very successful Macmillan Cancer Support coffee morning. Lido, Tammy, Valerie and Wendy led the way; lots of people, lots of coffee and cake and lots of money - £187.50 was raised for the charity.

NUTLEY HALL invite us to sing carols with the residents on Thursday 18 December at 4.30pm. It lasts c40 minutes, with mince pies afterwards. This will be at Orchard House, behind Nutley Hall. It will help with their plans if you let Helen Compson (712679) know if you would like to attend

PRAY FOR the family and friends of Peter Easton and Peter Kirby who have died recently; and of Mike Hardstone and his family and friends as he is very ill.

CHURCH HEATING Setting the heating is an easy process but it needs someone to do it. Sunday settings are the same for all except the first Sunday. Funerals and other services and events need one off settings from time to time. This is best done by someone living near the church – please speak to Liz Kosh if you could do this.