### THE PARISH OF PARKS AND WALCOT

working with Holy Family RC Church as 'the Church in Parks and Walcot'

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

Sun 17<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of advent

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:

give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**10am** Holy Communion @ St John's led by Linda & Martina

**10am** Morning Worship @ St Andrew's

led by Angela & Teresa

**4pm** Carol Service @ St Andrew's

\*Today's Bible Readings\* Is 61:1-4,8-end & Jn 1:6-8,19-28 ----000---

If you'd like someone to pray with you after the service, please find a member of our prayer team.

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Prayer chains - if you'd like a group of church members to pray confidentially or immediately about something, please phone & speak to one of our 'prayer chain' coordinators:

for St John's - Brenda Allen **2** 642352 for St Andrew's - Margaret Golledge **2** 526760 ---000---

<u>Prayer crosses</u> – if you'd like a prayer request included in the public prayers at church, please use the 'prayer cross' at the back of church.

### This Week

### As it is now the school holidays, Tea & Toast will be having a break and will start back in January

Wed 20th

10am Holy Communion @ St John's

followed by mince pies

Thurs 21st

10am Cuppa & Chat @ St Andrew's

Sat 23rd

**3pm** Messy Church @ St Andrew's

Sun 24th CHRISTMAS EVE

10am
 10am
 3.30pm
 11pm
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# 'Carol Service' Today!

Please invite friend and family to our traditional service of lessons and carols at St Andrews today at 4pm.

Please join us afterwards for drinks and mince pies.

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#### 'Whitbourne House'

We will be visiting this month on <u>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm</u> to sing some traditional carols and share memories of Christmas past with each other. Please join us at the front door at 2.20pm as usual.

# 'Cuppa n Chat'

Please come to Christmas Cuppa n chat on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>
December 10-12 noon where we will have lots of festive food.
We will then be on our Christmas break and will meet again on
Thursday 4 January 2018

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# 'Carol singing at Morrison's & The Sun Inn'

We have the opportunity to do some fundraising by Carol Singing at 2 local venues. Please feel free to come along.

The more the merrier!

#### Thursday 21st Dec at Morrison's.

Drop in anytime between 11am-2pm, 2-5pm & 5-8pm. Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec at The Sun Inn 7-8pm.

Please put your name on the signup sheets at the back of church so that we have a rough idea on numbers.

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# 'Messy Nativity'

St Andrews - Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec, 3pm St Johns - Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec, 3.30pm We are expecting lots of families so we need as much help as possible. Please let Teresa know if you can help. Also donations of Christmas cupcakes and small chocolate logs will be very welcome. Everyone is welcome!

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# 'Christmas Holiday'

The Parish office will be closed from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December and will re-open on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

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#### Raffle Prizes

We have quite a few unclaimed raffle prizes from the Christmas Festival. Please check your tickets to see if you have won! Numbers are; 339, 470, 383, 662, 294, 335, 385.

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