

**St John's Church: We are awaiting a new part for the boiler, so please dress warmly as it is not yet working again.**

**The Milborne Port Calendar 2022 is now available. Great value at £5.00 with proceeds going to St John's**

Calendars will be on sale again after the Milborne Port service this Sunday, **12<sup>th</sup> December**. In the meantime they are available at Wayne's, The Tippling Philosopher, or to reserve one call **01963 33495** or email **magazine@milborneportchurches.org.uk**

### **St John's Patronal Festival**

Frank and Maureen Wright are hosting a **BRING YOUR OWN TURKEY PARTY** On **27<sup>th</sup> December 12.30 onwards** at **Blackberry Cottage, London Road, Milborne Port**

Bring your own Turkey sandwiches / dish of turkey ... or any other leftovers and we will enjoy them together.

A glass of something will be provided.

### **Keeping in Touch**

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# **Pew News**

Milborne Port, Milborne Wick, Goathill, Charlton Horethorne and Stowell.

## **12<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

### **Services this week**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
*Philippians 4. 4 - 7; Luke 3. 7 - 18*  
9.00 am Holy Communion Goathill  
10.30 am Holy Communion Milborne Port  
3.00 pm Carol Service Goathill  
6.00 pm Evensong Charlton Horethorne

### **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

10.30 am Midweek communion Milborne Port

### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

6.30 pm Carol Service Milborne Wick

### **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

4.30 pm 'Blue' Christmas Milborne Port  
*a service to remember loved ones we have lost*

### **Services next week**

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

*Hebrews 10. 5 -10; Luke 1 39 - 45 [M  
Port: Ephesians 14 - 21, John 15. 12 -17]*

### **NB No service at Milborne Wick**

10.30 am Holy Communion Milborne Port  
6.00 pm Holy Communion Charlton Horethorne  
6.00 pm Carols by candlelight Milborne Port

### **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

10.30 am Midweek communion Milborne Port

### **DIARY DATES**

**Please consult Parish Magazine for a full list of all December services in the Benefice**

### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

### **Christmas Eve**

3.30 pm Crib Service Milborne Port  
6.00 pm Carol Service Charlton Horethorne  
11.00 pm Midnight Communion Milborne Port

### **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

### **Christmas Day**

9.00 am Holy Communion Milborne Port (BCP)  
10.30 am Family Communion Milborne Port  
10.30 am Family Communion Charlton Horethorne

# Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

## Collect

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.

## Readings

*Philippians 4.4-7*

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say,  
Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to  
everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not worry  
about anything, but in everything by prayer  
and supplication with thanksgiving let your  
requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the  
peace of God, which surpasses all  
understanding, will guard your hearts and  
your minds in Christ Jesus.

*Luke 3.7-18*

John said to the crowds that came out to be  
baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who  
warned you to flee from the wrath to come?'  
<sup>8</sup> Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not  
begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham  
as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able  
from these stones to raise up children to  
Abraham. <sup>9</sup> Even now the axe is lying at the

root of the trees; every tree therefore that  
does not bear good fruit is cut down and  
thrown into the fire.'

<sup>10</sup> And the crowds asked him, 'What then  
should we do?' <sup>11</sup> In reply he said to them,  
'Whoever has two coats must share with  
anyone who has none; and whoever has food  
must do likewise.' <sup>12</sup> Even tax-collectors came  
to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher,  
what should we do?' <sup>13</sup> He said to them,  
'Collect no more than the amount prescribed  
for you.' <sup>14</sup> Soldiers also asked him, 'And we,  
what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not  
extort money from anyone by threats or false  
accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.'

<sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation,  
and all were questioning in their hearts  
concerning John, whether he might be the  
Messiah, <sup>16</sup> John answered all of them by  
saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who  
is more powerful than I is coming; I am not  
worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He  
will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.  
<sup>17</sup> His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his  
threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into  
his granary; but the chaff he will burn with  
unquenchable fire.'

<sup>18</sup> So, with many other exhortations, he  
proclaimed the good news to the people.

## Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly  
gifts;

kindle in us the fire of your Spirit  
that when your Christ comes again  
we may shine as lights before his face;  
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

## COME AND CELEBRATE!

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December

**Canon Brian McConnell** will mark the  
**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination** at the  
**10.30am Parish Communion Service.**

You are invited to join Brian and Lesley in  
Church House after the service for light  
refreshments and a toast.

On the day we will come together and  
celebrate our Christian calling. After the  
service we will party gently in Church House in  
a Covid sensitive way, celebrating our  
togetherness.

We will welcome your presence (not  
presents) but as a thank you to God may we  
be encouraged to bring contributions for our  
Food Share Project, always keeping in mind all  
who find placing food on the family table, an  
ever-increasing challenge. Thank you.

## FOODSHARE @ St John's

Thank you very much to all who have donated  
gifts of non-perishable food, household  
products etc for people who come to the  
distribution sessions in Church House. Please  
make sure the gifts are in date and unopened.

**We now really need more volunteers, either  
to collect from the Co-op or to help with  
distribution or both.**

If you are interested in helping, please contact  
**Elaine Ennis-Bunt 01963 250221.**

Foodshare is really helping to make a  
difference to local families who are struggling.  
It will be OPEN as usual over the festive period.