



Advent 4 | Sunday 20 December 2020

from 09:00 **Online Service + Children's Church**
Available here: www.amington.church/next-service

at 18:30 **Traditional Carols,**
followed by Mulled Wine & Mince Pies (via Zoom)
Available here: www.amington.church/christmas

Weekly prayer: Eternal God,
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,
so we wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age
to see, with her, our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christmas 1 | Sunday 27 December 2020

from 09:00 **Online Service (no Children's Church this week)**
Available here: www.amington.church/next-service

Weekly prayer: God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ.



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Christmas Services & Events

All our services will be available via our YouTube channel and our website: www.amington.church/christmas

Services in the church building – we were going to hold some services in the church building at Christmas. However the news that Amington is a COVID hotspot prompted further discussion in the leadership team: as a result we have decided the risk is too high to hold services in the church building, or sing carols on The Green (which many have asked for). I am sure many of you will be disappointed – as am I! – but we need to set a good example, and not put people at unnecessary risk.

Traditional Carols 6.30pm Sunday 20 December

This will be broadcast via our YouTube channel, at 6.30pm.

Unlike our other online services, we will all be watching together; so if you're late you'll miss the beginning, just like a normal service!

The recording will be available in full afterwards – online and as a DVD for those without internet access – please call the church office for a copy.

Immediately after the service we will have a Zoom chat – have mulled wine and mince pies ready! – details will be shared during the service.



Make Your Own Christingle from 3pm Christmas Eve



This year we will be making our own Christingles during the service! We will provide a kit containing everything but the fruit – (the kit will contain a laminated picture of an orange, just in case). **This is not just for children** – we are planning to have enough kits for grown-ups too, so don't

be shy about asking for a kit for yourself. To request a kit please call the office or fill in the form on our website: www.amington.church/christingle.

Help! If you can help make Christingle kits please contact the church office.

Midnight Communion 11:45pm Christmas Eve

Like the Traditional Carols Service, this will be broadcast 'live' via YouTube, starting at 11.45pm – and available to watch on YouTube or as a DVD afterwards. If you would like a copy, please contact the church office.

Noticeboard

Reverse Advent Calendar

Instead of taking things out, why not put things in! This year you have two options – please support one, or both...

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Please collect:

cutlery, kitchen utensils (wooden spoons, spatulas), mugs, bowls, dinner plates, side plates, towels, tea towels.

Other essential items (e.g. toiletries) are always welcome as well.

Foodbank



Please collect any food **except** (i.e. please **don't** bring!): pasta, rice, dry spaghetti, UHT milk.



Please place items in the boxes and leave (under cover!) by the back door of the vicarage.

The last day for accepting donations will be 23 December.

Online Resources

Daily Prayer (every day at 6am):

amington.church/daily-prayer

Night Prayer (every day at 8pm):

amington.church/night-prayer

YouTube channel (all services):

www.amington.church/youtube

Church Building Closed

Because we are in Tier 3, the PCC has decided not to reopen the church building for services.

However it can be opened for private prayer – please contact Carol to arrange a time.

What's happening instead?

We continue to produce the following resources, which are available by email or by post:

- The weekly news sheet (with the church family prayer calendar on the back page)
- Daily Prayer (with a Proverb or two and the prayer calendar)

The future

Although we don't know how long this situation will last, as soon as it is permitted (and safe) we will open the church building for services again.

Prayer Calendar sorry it's so small... it had to fit on one page!

SUN	20/12	Janet Wilson, Catriona Paton, Joyce Moore	Baptism Candidates & Families
MON	21/12	Price Family (Ash, Elsie, Emilia, Matt)	Lonely & Bereaved People
TUE	22/12	Roger Myring, JoAnne Griffin, Joyce Madeley	Knit & Natter
WED	23/12	Ray & Jane Skarratt, Carol Chadwick	People moving in to Amington
THU	24/12	Marian Cox, Christine Farmer, Judith Walker	Youth Work - something new
FRI	25/12	Brown Family (Abbey, Josh, Mike, Sue)	Prayer Team
SAT	26/12	Mary Wilson, Cynthia Taylor, Dot Betts	Pre-Schools in Amington
SUN	27/12	Dennis & Dorothy Holland, Frank & Sue Joyce	Prayer Meetings
MON	28/12	Rosemary Baxter, Allan & Anne Baldwin	Couples Getting Married
TUE	29/12	Vacancy (Dordon, Baddesley Ensor, and Grendon)	Coleshill & Polesworth Deanery
WED	30/12	Archdeacon Simon	Church of England Birmingham
THU	31/12	Archbishops Justin and Stephen	Malawi & Bolivia Links
FRI	01/01	Bruce & Judith Ackers, Tony & Janet Land	Reopening - Wisdom & Safety
SAT	02/01	Ben & Jess Green, Lesley Willers, Wendy Ruff	Local Health, Police & Fire Services
SUN	03/01	Rose Swaddle, Linda Dearne, Simon Dearne	Evangelism & Outreach