

Lonan & Laxey Pew Notes
Advent Sunday
December 1st 2019



Sunday 1 st December Advent Sunday 	† Laxey Fair in the Church all day. No 8.00 am Service † 10.30 am Holy Communion at St Adamnan's
Wednesday 4 th December	† 9.15 am KS11 Assembly at Laxey School † 10.00 am Holy Communion at Christ Church † 11.15 am Home Communion † 7.00 pm Laxey handbells at Ramsey Inner Wheel
Thursday 5 th December	† 10 am – 12 mid day Coffee and Chat at Laxey Football Club † 2.00 pm Laxey handbells at Ellan Vannin † Lifeboat /Torchlight service 6.30 pm at the harbour for 7 pm at Minorca Methodist Church
Saturday 7 th December	† 2.00 pm IOM WI Carol Service at Christ Church Laxey
Sunday 8 th December	† 8.00 am Holy Communion at Christ Church † 10.30 am Holy Communion at Christ Church † 12.30 pm Christmas Lunch at the Salmon Centre
Monday 9 th December	† 2.00 pm Laxey handbells at Coolroi
Wednesday 11 th December	† 10.00 am Holy Communion at Christ Church † 3.00 pm Laxey handbells at Ramsey Probus
Thursday 12 th December	† 9.30 am Clergy prayers in Douglas † 10.30 am Fees Meeting in Douglas † 10 am – 12 mid day Coffee and Chat at Laxey Football Club
Sunday 15 th December	† No 8.00 am service † 10.30 am Holy Communion at Christ Church with Canon Malcolm Convery
Tuesday 17 th December	† 10.00 am Laxey handbells at Laxey School
Wednesday 18 th December	† 10.30 am Holy Communion at Christ Church

Hymns

400 Long ago, prophets knew
 117 Come Thou long expected Jesus
 280 How lovely on the mountains
 401 Longing for light

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Isaiah 2:1-5 Romans 13:11-14 : Matthew 24:36-44

Prayer for the week

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Thought for the week

Our new church year begins. Advent brings with it a time for peace and meditation before the Christmas message springs upon us-where better to start our Season than at St Adamnan's, a place of worship for so many centuries, while we let the community enjoy the warmth of Christ Church with the Fair.

Please let me know by the end of Sunday 1st if you would like to join us on Sunday 8th at 12.30 for a Christmas Lunch at Ballacregga-

Jo

Advent Sunday –Dec 1st – remember we are worshipping at St Adamnan's at 10.30

Christmas Fair Friday 29th Decorating the Church from 13.00 –please bring your items for sale between 2 and 3pm or by arrangement. Please wrap & list ingredients of all edibles & price everything (individually or on a list)

Synod Rep Every parish MUST have a Diocesan Synod rep. David Alderidge has been ours for a number of years. He has now left and it is the turn of someone please to take his place. There are four meetings a year. It is a critical role to keep the PCC and congregation advised of changes in the Church of England and locally.

Eastern Mission Partnership Rep. Hazel has been fulfilling this role for a number of years alongside being a Warden –she has now had to take on the role of Treasurer in the absence of any other volunteer . Please will someone volunteer to be our rep to the partnership to which we belong –to make our voice heard and listen to what is going on around us.

Parish Safeguarding Officer Early warning –we shall need a new one of these too as of the APCM in April – volunteer now and work alongside Lisa Morris to see what the role entails

Please give your church a Christmas Present and volunteer for some of the roles that are needed to make us a vibrant living parish –read a lesson, lead the intercessions, make the tea, bring a cake, give out the books, take the collection etc etc etc. How lovely that we have got a volunteer to play the organ for us –debut on the 8th!!

Christmas Cakes Huge thank you to Cynthia for her fantastic cakes and a good start for the Fair fundraising

Christmas Table Arrangement Hazel is offering to host a flower arranging session just before Christmas to make a table arrangement for Christmas Day. Tickets will be £40 for the flowers and all materials and the balance to the Church. Proposed date Sat 21 December. Please let Hazel know now if you are interested.

2020 Fundraising Gareth Moore and friends will entertain us with a concert on **Tuesday 21st January** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the organ.

St Christopher's . Tins of soup, beans, spaghetti etc is what is most needed. Bathroom products always useful...spare a Christmas type gift for here too ??

Church Details

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Please can **you help** support the church by setting up a standing order?? Bank details are: - Isle of Man Bank, Account name: Lonan and Laxey PCC, the reference is "Planned giving", sort code is 55-91-00 account number 12953458. **All contributions gratefully received**