

Pew Sheet for Shiplake-with-Dunsden
Sunday 25th November 2018
Festival of Christ the King

Readings Today:

Daniel **7.9-10, 13-14**

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened.

¹³As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. ¹⁴ To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Revelation **1.4b-8**

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.⁸ 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, 'who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty'.

John **18.33-37**

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' ³⁴ Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' ³⁵ Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew,

am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?’³⁶ Jesus answered, ‘My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.’³⁷ Pilate asked him, ‘So you are a king?’ Jesus answered, ‘You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.’

Next Week’s Readings:

Jeremiah 33.14-16
1 Thessalonians 3.9-13
Luke 21.25-36

Diary for November:

25th Sunday – Christ The King
 9.30am Harpsden Sung Eucharist
 11.00am Dunsden Sung Eucharist
 11.00am Shiplake Sung Eucharist

26th Monday
 10.00am Shiplake Morning Prayers

28th Wednesday
 9.30am Harpsden Eucharist

Diary for December (to 19th):

2nd Advent Sunday **Benefice Service**
 11.00am Shiplake Sung Eucharist
 6.00pm Harpsden Evensong

3rd Monday
 10.00am Shiplake Morning Prayers

5th Wednesday
 9.30am Harpsden Eucharist with Wholeness and Healing
Followed by Advent Course

9th Advent 2
 9.30am Harpsden Sung Eucharist
 11.00am Dunsden Sung Eucharist
 11.00am Shiplake Sung Eucharist

10th **Monday**
 10.00am Shiplake Morning Prayers

12th **Wednesday**
 9.30am Harpsden Eucharist
Followed by Advent Course

15th **Saturday**
 11.00am Shiplake Church Live Nativity
 4.00pm Shiplake Church Live Nativity

16th **Advent 3**
 9.30am Harpsden Sung Eucharist with Sunday School
 11.00am Dunsden Sung Eucharist
 11.00am Shiplake Sung Eucharist

17th **Monday**
 10.00am Shiplake Morning Prayers

19th **Wednesday**
 9.30am Harpsden Eucharist
Followed by Advent Course

Benefice Nativity:

The Shiplake Nativity will take place this year on Saturday 15th December. It will be in Shiplake Church, and is a Nativity for the whole Benefice. Unfortunately the barn is in use again, so we need to ensure we can accommodate as many as possible. We will need the help of as many people as possible in order to run the event well, and to make it special and be sure to get across the true meaning of Christmas. Your offers of help, however small, will be greatly appreciated. As in previous years, there will be two Nativity performances: one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

Help will be needed putting out and collecting in notices, lighting candles, serving refreshments, manning the car park and clearing up. If you can help in any way please email Marina at marina.hart@virgin.net or email Wendy at trendywendy262@icloud.com or call her on 0118 947 8622.

Prayers:

Across this united Benefice this week, we pray for Alan Mitchell, Irene Howard, Bill Willatt, Ellen Newberry, Jean Jones, Pam Bessell, Charmian Nevins, and Christine Harvey.

Shiplake Corner Shop:

Calling all fans of glitter, cotton wool and Santa Claus. The Corner shop is holding a Children's Christmas Card competition to make an A5 size card. Age groups are 0-4, 5-7, and 8-11yrs. They will be displayed all over the shop, and the Rector will judge the best in each group to win a prize. The closing date for entries is Saturday 8th December. Please put your name, age, and telephone number on the back.

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