

# The Parish Church of S. Helen, West Auckland

Our mission is to love, serve and worship Our Lord Jesus Christ

**Sunday 17th December 2023 – The Third Sunday of Advent**

9.00am Morning Prayer

**10.00am PARISH MASS**

10.00am Sunday Club

11.00am Coffee Hour

*Welcome to any visitors who have joined us this morning. You are most welcome, please relax and simply join in the service where you can service where you can*

## **Christmas Services**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

10.00 am Parish Mass Advent 4

4.00 pm Family Service & Christingle

11.30 pm Midnight Mass with Carols

**Christmas Day Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

9.30 am Family Mass with Carols

**The Christmas Fayre raised £3600.00, a brilliant effort especially given the weather conditions. Well Done to everyone**

**Wine Tasting Evening** in the vicarage for those who bought places at the Auction Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Chinese Evening** from the auction 7.00pm Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 34 Ullswater Ave, West Auckland

**Epiphany Lunch -Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024 - £20.00 please book your place asap.**

**Christmas Day Family Mass** – as is our tradition if you would like to bring your Baby Jesus from your nativity set then they will be blessed at the end of the service.

**Jolly Tots – Preschool with mums, dads, or grandparents** Tuesday in the Centre from 11.30am – Christmas party this Tuesday

**Busy Bees– Preschool with mums, dad or grandparents** Thursday 11.30am in the Centre. Christmas party this Thursday

**The Computer course** – Cancelled until the New Year

**Collections during Mass**-please use the plate by the door or the tap and go machine to give by card. Thank you for your support.

**Christmas Gifts for Church** -Once again you will be able to purchase Christmas gifts for church in memory of loved ones. High Altar Candles £60, Nave altar candles £20, Lady Chapel candles £20, Incense £40. Flowers by donation or a full stand £40. Indoor tree 2 x £40, Outdoor tree £50.00. Lamps for Christmas Week £20.00

**Christmas Angels available from John Bake in memory of loved ones for the Angel Tree**

**PCC Roof Sub-cttee mtg Dec 17<sup>th</sup> has been postponed until Sunday 21st January after Mass.**

**Planned Giving Envelopes** – are now available in Church but please note for 2024 we are using sets of old envelopes which we had left so please can you alter the date on the front of the envelope each week. Many thanks. Our number of regular givers has decreased dramatically over the last few years and if you are able to make regular donations either by standing order or weekly envelopes then please see Pat.

**Thank you to those who decorated Church and erected the outside tree and especially those who took annual leave from work to help.**

**Safeguarding: The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officer Mrs Dianne Chew.**