ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, LANGFORD

(United Benefice of Henlow & Langford)

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SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER - 1st Sunday of Advent DECEMBER DIARY

WE WELCOME everyone to our Parish Eucharist today.

An audio loop is installed for those with hearing aids: please switch to the 'T' position. Parents with toddlers are invited to use *the children's corner* at the back of the church.

<u>Before</u> the service – talk to God
<u>During</u> the service – listen to God
<u>After</u> the service – talk to each other, over a cup of coffee in the church hall

HYMNS

98	Come, thou long expected Jesus (tune 1)
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470	The advent of our King (tune 1)
529	Wake, O wake! With tidings
	thrilling
489	The Lord will come and not be
	slow
307	Lo, he comes with clouds
	descending

This week please pray for...
...those who suffer in mind, body or spirit:
Angie Rigney; Sue Denwood; Jean Mattock;
Tom Vincent; Yvonne Milne; Doreen Howe;
Martin Woods; Mark; Kathleen Tomkins
(Maureen's mum); Anne Blake; John Searle;
Phil Williams; Bill Davies

In Care: Florence Emery; Jessie Child; Pat Cooke

Prayer cards are now available if you would like to put a prayer request on the board

DIARIES

Diaries for 2014 are now available at the back of church. Please take one; donations gratefully received.

Wed 4th 2pm Bereavement Meeting, Henlow Sun 8th 9.15am Parish Eucharist
Wed 11th 10am Holy Communion
Sun 15th 9.30am Family Service
6.00pm Mulled Wine & Minced Pies
Sun 22nd 9.15am Parish Eucharist
Tues 24th 6pm Christingle & Crib Service
11.15pm Midnight Mass
Wed 25th 9.30am Christmas Service
Sun 29th 11am Benefice Eucharist at Henlow

Advent begins today.

The *Advent Challenge* this year is called **Encounters** and introduces some of the situations in which people in the Bible encountered God. This is an opportunity during Advent to explore **faith**, **hope** and **love** and to live a little differently. Sign up for a daily **email** or **text** at www.livethechallenge.co.uk.

A Turning Point?

Find out more about the Christian faith by joining a small group exploring The Pilgrim Course.

This group is for those who want the chance to think more about the Christian faith; those who have recently started to come to Church; those preparing for Confirmation; and those who have been Christians for many years and want to visit the roots of their faith again.

Where? 1 Jordan Close, Henlow (Pat Tomlinson's home).

When? Monday evenings at 8pm: 6th Jan, 13th Jan, 20th Jan, 27th Jan, 3rd Feb and 10th Feb 2014. Each session lasts no more than 90 minutes.

For more information and to register an interest contact Revd Sue Groom.