

St John's News from the Pews - 15 December 2020



Village Carol Service

This is looking really exciting – please encourage friends and neighbours to watch. The Elmswell Village Carol Service will be broadcast online (Facebook and YouTube) on Sunday 20 December at 6:30pm. We would appreciate any photos of your Christmas trees and cribs (feel free to appear in them yourselves as well) to show during one of the carols. If you would like yours to appear, please email them to elmswellrector@gmail.com by Thursday. Thank you 😊



Doorstep carols

Do tune into Radio Suffolk at 6:00pm on Wednesday 16 December and sing carols from your door step. Encourage as many neighbours and friends in Elmswell to join in – this could be a lovely community event. Words can be downloaded from www.doorstepcarols.co.uk

The Longest Night

Christmas always seems to be accompanied by jolly songs and the expectation that you will have a good time, but that's not how it feels for all of us, especially this year. Maybe you have found the past year hard and Christmas seems to highlight the difficulties or maybe you just want space to reflect. Whatever the reason, whatever the need, you will find the service entitled "The Longest Night" helpful. This will be a more sober service with the opportunity to light a candle - held in St John's on 21 December at 3:00pm

Coming up this week:

Tue 15 Dec 8:00pm	Compline Night Prayer online (Facebook only)
Wed 16 Dec 6:00pm	Doorstep Carols
Thu 17 Dec 8:00pm	Celtic Prayer online (Facebook only)
Sat 19 Dec 9:00am	Church prayer meeting (using Zoom)
Sat 19 Dec 10:30am	Coffee and Chat (using Zoom)
Sun 20 Dec 9:30am	Sunday School over Zoom (Please contact Lisa for details)
Sun 20 Dec 10:30am	Service in church (and online) with the Lord's Supper. Main reading: Luke 1:1-25.
Sun 20 Dec 6:30pm	Village Carol Service – online (Facebook and YouTube)

Last Sunday's service:

In case you missed Sunday's service you can access it by clicking [here](#):

How to connect with us online:

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/stjohnselmswell/live>

St John's

<http://www.stjohnselmswell.org.uk/>

YouTube

Accessed from home page of St John's web site

Zoom

Click <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6852951296> or, load Zoom and use Meeting ID: 685 295 1296 and Password: 816262

Christmas with St John's Church

Sun 20 Dec 6:30pm	Village Carol Service	(online - Facebook/YouTube)
Mon 21 Dec 3:00pm	"The longest Night"	(in church)
	<i>A more sober and reflective carol service with the opportunity to light a candle.</i>	
Thu 24 Dec 3:30pm	St John's Nativity	(online - Facebook/YouTube)
Thu 24 Dec 11:00pm	Late Night Communion	(in church)
Fri 25 Dec 10:00am	Christmas Day Service	(Zoom)

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus,
because he will save his people from their sins.
(Matthew 1:21)