









## St J's Diary & Notices: 2 weeks, commencing Sunday, 24/12/2023

			
(4th in month) Sunday, 24/12/2023 Christmas Eve	09.15	Sunday Worship: Crichton Memorial Church	Crichton Campus, Dumfries DG1 4ZZ
	09.30	Holy Communion @ Maxwelton Chapel	Just off B729 between Wallaceton & Moniaive. DG3 4DX
	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Godly Play Activity Bags available; refreshments afterwards (Hall)	
	16.00	Christingle Service (Church)	
	18.30	Festival of Carols (Crichton Memorial Church)	Crichton Campus, Dumfries DG1 4ZZ (Likely to be busy and car parking difficult: get there early)
	23.30	Midnight Eucharist of the Nativity (Church)	
	Any time*	Service online	<a href="http://www.stjohnsdumfries.org">www.stjohnsdumfries.org</a> . *Available on website from about same time as actual event & for some days thereafter
Monday, 25/12/2023 Christmas Day	<del>10.00-17.00</del>	<del>Church Office open</del>	Closed this week and 01/01/2024
	<del>10.30-17.30</del>	<del>UCI Groups (Hall)</del>	
	11.00	Christmas Morning Family Eucharist (Church)	Church will close after this service
	<del>18.30-22.00</del>	<del>Bridge Club (Hall)</del>	
Tuesday, 26/12/2023	<b>10.30</b>	1982 Eucharist (Lady Chapel)	St Stephen, Martyr. Note: this is a <b>morning</b> service; the church will be open for this service only.
	<del>19.15</del>	<del>Short Mat Bowling (Sep- Mar) (Hall)</del>	Resumes 09/01/2024
Wednesday, 27/12/2023	10.30	1970 Eucharist (Church), followed by refreshments (Hall)	St John the Evangelist. Note: the church will be open for this service only
	<del>11.30-15.00</del>	<del>Warm Space (Hall)</del>	Resumes 10 January
	<del>18.30</del>	<del>Choir Practice (Hall)</del>	
Thursday, 28/12/2023	18.30	1982 Eucharist (Church)	Holy Innocents. Note: church will be open for this service only.
	19.30	Bell Practice (Tower)	Please contact <a href="mailto:bells@stjohnsdumfries.org">bells@stjohnsdumfries.org</a> or 07754 596140 if not a regular.

			
Friday, 29/12/2023	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	Closed today, and Monday, 01/01/2024
Saturday, 30/12/2023			
(5 <sup>th</sup> in month) Sunday, 31/12/2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> after Christmas)	09.30	Matins (Church)	
	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Godly Play Activity Bags available; refreshments afterwards (Hall)	
	Note: no evening service		
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Monday, 01/01/2024 New Year's Day	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	Closed; reopens Friday
	10.30-17.30	UCI Groups (Hall)	
	18.30-22.00	Bridge Club (Hall)	
Tuesday, 02/01/2024	18.30	1982 Eucharist (Lady Chapel)	Naming of Jesus
	19.15	Short Mat Bowling (Sep- Mar) (Hall)	Resumes next week
Wednesday, 03/01/2024	10.30	1970 Eucharist (Church), followed by refreshments (Hall)	
	11.30-15.00	Warm Space (Hall)	Resumes 10 <sup>th</sup> January
	18.30	Choir Practice (Church)	Resumes next week
Thursday, 04/01/2024	14.00	Mothers' Union Eucharist (Church)	
	19.30	Bell Practice (Tower)	Please contact <a href="mailto:bells@stjohnsdumfries.org">bells@stjohnsdumfries.org</a> or 07754 596140 if not a regular.
Friday, 05/01/2024	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	
Saturday, 06/01/2024	09.30	Silent Prayer @ Elshields	07754 596140 / pastadmin@stjohnsdumfries for more information.

			
(1 <sup>st</sup> in month) Sunday, 07/01/2024 (2 <sup>nd</sup> after Christmas) (Epiphany)	08.00	1970 Holy Communion (Church)	
	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Godly Play (Hall); refreshments afterwards (Hall)	
	18.00	Choral Evensong (Church)	
	Any time*	Service online	<a href="http://www.stjohnsdumfries.org">www.stjohnsdumfries.org</a> *Available on website from about same time as actual event & for some days thereafter

And, as always, if you need us, you can contact

- The Rector on 01387 254126 / 07487 653069  
/ [rector@stjohnsdumfries.org](mailto:rector@stjohnsdumfries.org)
- The Church Office on 07754 596140  
/ [pastadmin@stjohnsdumfries.org](mailto:pastadmin@stjohnsdumfries.org)

## PRAYER MEETING

Our prayer meetings via Zoom will continue monthly on Thursdays from 6:00pm-7:00pm. The next one will be on **11<sup>th</sup> January** (please note no meeting in December as it clashed with Christmas Tree Festival) For contact details for Zoom please contact Janice.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Friday, 19/01/2024: Burns Supper
- Thursday, 14/03/2024 Pamper Session
- Saturday, 16/03/2024 Men's Breakfast

## CHRISTMAS BRING AND SHARE LUNCH

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Christkindl event on Sunday, 17/12/2023: people brought presents, food, entertainment ideas, appetites and good cheer; helped set up, wash up, and clear away; a fun event.

## **BRING AND SHARE LUNCH (Christkindl) & MOTHERS' UNION CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

Thank you to everyone who organised, set up, cleared away, washed up, provided entertainment etc. on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> and on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>; two great events very much appreciated by all who attended.

## SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Newall Terrace/Lovers' Walk, Dumfries DG1 1LW

Christmas 2023

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- 🌲 09.15: Sunday Worship: Crichton Memorial Church
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### Thursday, 28/12/2023 (Holy Innocents)

- 🌲 18.30: Eucharist (St John's. The Church will be open for this service only)

### Sunday, 31/12/2023 (1<sup>st</sup> after Christmas)

- 🌲 11.00 : 1982 Family Eucharist ('as normal')
- 🌲 No Evening Service

**WISHING YOU ALL A BLESSED CHRISTMAS**

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[www.stjohnsdumfries.org](http://www.stjohnsdumfries.org)