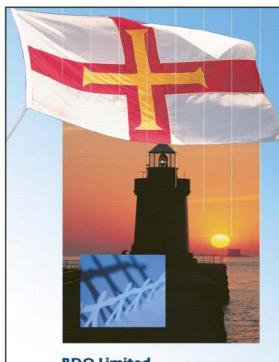
The Parish Magazine of St Stephen's Church Guernsey



Della Robbia Workshop, 15th century ceramic



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From the Editor

December means Christmas, just as November means remembrance. It is often difficult to think in 'new' ways about Christmas, since the decorations, advertisements and toys have been glistening in all the storefronts for several months now, shouting a very different story from the one we Christians hold on to. 'In the beginning was the Word...' always brings me back to the true meaning of Christmas and that Love came down that cold evening as a humble babe, yet a gift of inestimable worth.

Christmas is a time of gift-giving, and in this issue we present you with a 'stocking full of surprises', the result of many voluntary contributions, each of great quality, of varied subjects, and all very gratefully received, which we hope you will enjoy.

May you be surrounded this holiday season by joy, love and hope.

A New Beginning

According to the Church's calendar, Christmas is the culmination of a season of anticipation which we call Advent. In faith, as in life and history, anything of great worth arrives only over time, after a period of preparation, waiting and even yearning. In that sense Christmas is the fulfilment, the end toward which the four weeks of Advent carry us.



But the most important thing about Christmas is not that it is the end of something; rather, it is a beginning, a beginning that bears in it another kind of ending. In the words of the book of Revelation and the mediaeval carol, 'He is Alpha and Omega, He the Source, the Ending He.' One way, then, to enter more deeply into the mystery of Christ's Nativity is to consider the ways in which Christmas is a beginning: for Christ, for each one of us and for his people, the Church.

In Christ's birth we see for the first time what human life can be. This is no small gift. Here was someone who was like us in every respect, yet He lived a life that was unlike any other human life. Unlike the first Adam, Christ did not drive the Spirit away by what he did or failed to do; he did all things right and made it possible for the Spirit to enter into other men and women. As another early Christian writer put it: Christ's life was 'strange and wondrous', for it was imprinted with the 'power of a person who lived life in a new way'.

The celebration of the Nativity of Christ is also a beginning for each one of us. In a sermon preached on the feast of the Nativity centuries ago, Leo the Great said: 'In adoring the birth of our Saviour, we find we are celebrating the commencement of our own life. For the birth of Christ is the source of all life for Christian folk.'

It is as members of God's people, not as solitary individuals, that we grow in faith and love. The Christian people, no less than Christ, are a gift. We learn by example; and without the witness of others, we would be far less prepared to embark on the new beginning Christmas offers.

At Christmas, we celebrate the fact that Christ was born, that we are born anew and that the Church is filled with new life. *Gloria in excelsis Deo*. Glory to God in the Highest.

Church Diary - December 2018

Saturday 1	Charles de Foucauld, Hermit in the Sahara, 1916	
Sunday 2	The First Sunday of Advent	9.30am Said Mass (Family Min) Fr John 11.00am Sung Mass Fr John
Monday 3	Francis Xavier, Missionary, Apostle of the Indies, 1552	10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group 1.30pm Little Learners' Carol Service
Tuesday 4	John of Damascus, Monk, Teacher, c. 749	11.00am Mass Lady Chapel 12.00pm Friendship Lunch—Community Centre
Wednesday 5		7.00pm Mass Lady Chapel
Thursday 6	Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c. 326	
Friday 7	The Feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (transferred from 8th December)	7.00pm Mass Resurrection Chapel, with the participation of Cantores Coutances
Saturday 8		
Sunday 9	The Second Sunday of Advent	9.30am Said Mass (Family Min) Fr John 11.00am Sung Mass Fr John
Monday 10		10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group
Tuesday 11		11.00am Mass Lady Chapel 7.30pm Grammar School Carol Service
Wednesday 12		7.00pm Mass Lady Chapel
Thursday 13	Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304 Samuel Johnson, Moralist, 1784	2.30pm Beechwood Carol Service
Friday 14	John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher, 1591	2.00pm Melrose Carol Service 7.00pm Mass Resurrection Chapel
Saturday 15		
Sunday 16	The Third Sunday of Advent	9.30am Said Mass (Family Min) Fr John 11.00am Sung Mass Fr John 2.30pm Christmas Stocking
Monday 17		10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group 7.30pm Ladies' College Carol Service
Tuesday 18		11.00am Mass Lady Chapel
Wednesday 19		7.00pm Mass Lady Chapel
Thursday 20		
Friday 21		7.00pm Mass Resurrection Chapel
Saturday 22		
Sunday 23	The Fourth Sunday of Advent	9.30am Family Service Fr John 11.00am Sung Mass Fr John
Monday 24	Christmas Eve	11.30pm Midnight Mass, preceded by Carols at 11.00pm
Tuesday 25	The Feast of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas Day)	10.30am Combined Mass (Sung)
Wednesday 26	The Festival of St Stephen, Deacon and First Martyr	10.30am Combined Mass, followed by Reception at the back of Church
Thursday 27	John, Apostle and Evangelist	
Friday 28	The Festival of the Holy Innocents	7.00pm Mass Resurrection Chapel
Saturday 29	Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1170	
Sunday 30	The First Sunday of Christmas	9.30am Said Mass (Family Min) Fr John 11.00am Sung Mass Fr John
Monday 31	John Wyclif, Reformer, 1384	

St Stephen's

Christmas Stocking



An Afternoon of carols and Christmas entertainment by various groups in our church community including the Guides, Scouts, Brownies, Choir and Church Members.

Refreshments afterwards.

A Testimony to Roy Robin

It is said that the church is not the building but the people, the congregation of that place. This is true, but for Roy the two are inseparable as much of the fabric of St Stephen's is part of Roy since there is not a place in the building where his woodworking skills have not left their mark.

I will walk you around the church to list some of his work:

As soon as you enter the church you will notice the two wooden lecterns both showing Roy's woodturning skills. One of these has a hinged top so it can be also used as a flower stand. His bookcase is immediately on your right and his bookshelf to your left. Moving down the north aisle you will pass his work in creating the library corner and then pass the light box that holds the Judas Maccabeus window again designed and made by Roy.

On entering the Lady Chapel you will be steadied by a handrail of his making and on your right is the sound system cabinet, also the memorial table next to our Lady's statue.

In the Sanctuary he made the table for the silver lectern and the wall shelf for the book of collects and servers' candles along with the communion gates.

Moving into the Resurrection Chapel the credence shelf and the handrail are made by Roy, also the table with the lantern holders in front of St Stephen's statue and the two handrails into the chancel.

The moveable altar used at the 9.30am Mass has an inlaid cross on the wooden panel which he made and glides along on the wheels which he fitted.

At the back of church the triptych mounting in the children's corner and the display board are his handiwork.

The stand for the Paschal candle has new feet due to him and in the choir loft he made a music stand in memory of John Stephenson.

In the vestry and the sacristy Roy also made the robe cupboards.

On Advent Sunday take note of the Advent candle stand that he made. This has an interchangeable top so it also can be used as a flower stand.

All these, along with stands for the banners and a wooden processional cross and carrying case for the GSS in memory of Harry Lihou, will be a lasting memorial to Roy. The outside notice board is Roy's handiwork.

At 90 he was in church every day helping us to restore floorboards and pews and replace everything after the refurbishment.

Through the years there have been many more things that Roy has made or repaired and I apologise if I have omitted to mention any of them, but the list is too long. Roy never liked to have recognition for his work which was always done with great care and love.

This, along with the memory of his lifelong commitment and dedication to serving and helping at every function, will be a lasting and tangible memorial to our dear Roy. May he rest in peace.



God's Intervention

In late January 1948 I was sitting in my room in the YMCA Baghdad after work reading an old copy of the *Telegraph*. My eye caught an item showing the latest groups being called up for military service and those being demobbed. The latter were way past my group. I had been forgotten. Something had to be done quickly.

Next morning, I showed the item to the captain quartermaster who was my immediate OC and with whom I shared an office. He saw my point and said that he would speak to the General commanding the British Military Mission to the Iraqi Army, the boss who was in the next office, as soon as he was free. This he did and the buzzer on my desk went off and I was called in to see the General. The General said he was sorry I had been forgotten and he would see what he could do. They would be sorry to lose me however and I would have to stay until a suitable replacement could be found and trained. Of course I agreed and thanked him for his concern.

In due course my replacement arrived and was duly indoctrinated. My date of departure arrived and the General who had arranged for a flight out (instead of by road) gave me a staff car to take me to Habbaniyah, the local Air Force base. In Habbaniyah I was put in among a lot of happy chaps, mostly Air Force who like me had been away from the UK for years. A DC3 appeared outside and we were all lined up. As we mustered forward there was a tap on my shoulder and I was pulled out of line. An RAF officer told me my General had talked to his OC and as a result I had been found a seat on an AVRO York which was coming through from India in a couple of hours bound for Malta and RAF Lineham. I could wait on the veranda or go to the NAAFI. I chose to wait and wave to my erstwhile friends on their DAKOTA. I watched it take off and disappear into the far west.

A little later a large bomber appeared in the east and landed. Immediately the whole area became a beehive of activity because this plane could not be delayed. I was hustled on to it, to a comfortable camp chair anchored by a window at the front of the plane under the wing. As I remember, the York, for that is what is was, was carrying about 30 passengers,

mostly RAF. In no time at all the engines roared into life and we were out over the mountains and thence to the Med. It was fun watching all the little boats on the sea.

After some time the York started to lose height and we were over Malta. In spite of all the destruction of the war there still seemed to be a lot of churches as we flew round. After we landed we were billeted in a hotel obviously used for service personnel but still very comfortable, and delicious meals.

Next morning we were up early and being bussed to the airport. In no time at all we were airborne. When we neared France we began to encounter thick cloud. Hello Europe we are back again. We saw very little except the sea in a few cloud gaps.

Then the captain of the plane came on the intercom. Chaps, he said, I know you have all been away from home for a long time. I am going to show you something you will always remember and may never see again. He put the nose down and we came under the cloud. On my right were the White Cliffs of Dover. We flew past them and then turned round so the other side of the plane got the view. Then we climbed, enchanted, and off to Lineham and home. An experience I shall never forget. A wonderful end to four years of service.

To read on the half decker taking us to demob centre in Woking, I bought a copy of the *Telegraph*. A DC3 had been lost with all hands somewhere between Habbaniyah and Egypt. And I lived by the hand of the Lord.

I thought of all those happy chaps I had so recently been talking with and the misery their loss would cause.

And I prayed for them and their families and tried to understand it all.

Dr Samuel Johnson

The Common Worship Lectionary has a commemoration on 13^{th} December 'Dr Samuel Johnson, 1784', where he is described as a 'Moralist'. The financial expectations of some were raised last month when a woman put a 50p coin up for sale on eBay commemorating the 250th anniversary of Dr Johnson's English Dictionary and asked £3000 for it. More than 17 million of these coins are in circulation: experts were quick to dispel her hopes with estimates not far above its face value.

Streatham, where I served a second curacy in the 1950s, is part of the inner South London suburbs, a mile or so up the hill from Brixton and half a mile across the common from Tooting. It was once a mediaeval village with the memorial to its local knight remaining in stone under the church tower with his sword to his side but without his head or the whole of his legs. It was still a village when Dr Johnson would take a coach out from the city of London, of which he said those who had not seen it had not lived, to visit his friends, Henry Thrale, a wealthy Southwark brewer, and his wife, Hester. When Hester was widowed, she disgusted the doctor by promptly selling the Hall, marrying the Italian violinist who had given her music lessons and moving with him back to her native Wales. The death of Henry and Hester's quick departure from Thrale Hall left Johnson to depart in tears from the parish church, kissing goodbye to it on the pillar nearest the Thrale family pew. A part of Thrale Hall remained when I was curate of Streatham. This was used as a small private Grammar School which Jeffery Fenwick, one-time Dean and Rector of the Town Church, told me he had attended. I believe it then became an hotel.

Since Dr Johnson was three years old, he had an interest in church services and the *Prayer Book*. A Mrs Adye remembered seeing him perched upon his father's shoulders in Lichfield Cathedral listening to the celebrated High Churchman, Dr Sacheverell. Johnson himself had a faint remembrance of being taken by his mother to be touched by Queen Anne for the disease known as the King's Evil, a swelling of the lymph nodes in the neck caused by tuberculosis, from which he derived no



benefit. 'He had', he said, 'a confused but solemn recollection of a lady in diamonds and a long black hood'. The service used on this occasion seems to have been printed in some *Prayer Books* from Charles II until 1719. The last occasion it was used was 17th April 1714, after which the Hanoverians abandoned it. Little Sam Johnson must have been one of the last to participate in it.

A love of the *Prayer Book* and especially the collects remained with him to the end of his days. During his last year, after he had a paralytic stroke

and temporarily lost the power of speech, he tried his hand at writing a number of short Latin poems to test his intellect: six of them are metrical versions of *Prayer Book* collects, asking for patience and peace at the last. One of the best, his last poem, is a Latin paraphrase of what we call the Collect for Purity:

'Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy Holy Name, through Christ our Lord.'

This, his last Latin poem, bears the date of 5th December 1784, the day when the Great Lexicographer received his last communion in bed, eight days before he died.



Friendship Lunch

Tuesday 4th December at 12.00pm

St Stephen's Community Centre This month we will have a Christmas theme.

The menu will be:

Roast Chicken

Vegetarian Option

Mince Pie / Apple Pie & Ice-cream

Please contact Jean Le Huray (Tel 255207) for further details or to reserve a place by Sunday 2nd December. Please invite a friend or someone who may live on their own to join us at the lunch.

Welcome, Josh!



During the months of December, January and February, St Stephen's is privileged to welcome Joshua ('Josh') Paine to our parish. Josh, a Guernsey native, works as Assistant Registrar at the Guernsey Harbour Authority and is married to José. They have one daughter, Jemimah, who lives in London. Josh and Jo worship at Holy Trinity and have been involved in various activities and ministries of

that church over the years.

Recently, Josh decided to gain a broader experience of the Anglican Church in Guernsey and asked if he could join us for a time. We are obviously delighted. Please welcome Josh warmly!

Didn't St Stephen's Look Beautiful for Remembrance?

We are very grateful to Dorothy Harper, mother of Anne Lemaitre and Beth Bourgaize, for her masterful crocheted poppies, and to Anne and Beth for decorating the columns with these manifold little wonders.





St Stephen's Christmas Message Board

Again this year in place of exchanging Christmas cards amongst ourselves at church, we thought we would 'go green' and help our charities.

What to do?

Take an envelope in which you will find a message label on which to write your greetings. Then peel off the strip to stick your label on to the Message Board. Put your donation in the envelope and return it to Ann or Marg.

By using the Christmas Message Board, you will help us to support:





Notes from Steph Dragun

1. Please remember **Easy Fundraising** as you shop online for Christmas.



2. Please don't forget to give Steph the <u>stamps</u> from your Christmas cards (and ask your friends, family, work colleagues to save you theirs).











These endeavours raise money for our church.

3. And last, but by no means least:

St. Stephen's Players present Cinderella

8th - 15th December at 7.30pm St Stephen's Community Centre

Get your tickets at www.ststephensplayers.com

Come along and support us: we are moving into our 60th year on 29th March 2019. Watch this space for our Diamond Anniversary celebrations.

Guernsey Welfare Service has requested, in addition to the usual groceries, festive items for the holidays: tubs and boxes of chocolates, selection boxes, boxes of Christmas biscuits, crisps, etc, bottles of

Shloer or similar, packets of stuffing mix, gravy granules, pickles and sauces, corned beef and tinned ham.



Community Centre Wall

The wall at the Community Centre was cracked and leaning badly in to the road (see 'before' and 'after' pictures below).

On taking professional advice it was decided we had no alternative but to effect repairs as it could be costly if it were to fall into the road and damage any parked cars.

This unfortunately is a retaining wall for the garden which is some two metres above road level, which meant that we had to employ a structural engineer to calculate and design a structure that could retain all this ground. Two trees had to be removed and the ground excavated back to a level where the strengthening could be built. This was a pyramid structure with the blocks becoming less as the wall grew in height.

With drainage holes now incorporated in the wall it is hoped that the weight of any water percolating down from the garden will be released, thus keeping things safe for the future.

BEFORE >>





DURING>>



AFTER>>



Do you know...?

St Stephen's Church is blessed to have a very diverse and lively membership. From time to time, the Parish Magazine will feature an interview with a worshipper from one of our congregations, so that we can all get to know each other just a bit better!

This week, we interviewed:

Hazel Greany

Hazel Greany is deeply rooted in Guernsey and is definitely 'Guernsey born and bred', but in fact has lived a very varied life, residing far and wide, following her peripatetic military husband, John. She gracefully endured many, many moves, to and within many different countries, and deserves some sort of Oscar for her aplomb in packing up and forging on to the next habitation, often with little advance notice and long or short interim hotel stays until housing became available.



Hazel was born in the Grange, next door to (the former) Ladies' College. Her mother was Guernsey-born, her father Irish, a doctor who came to the island in 1929 to assist his brother, also a doctor, at the time of the flu epidemic. Hazel's maternal grandfather was a farmer, a clergyman and was for a time a curate at Cobo. Her great-grandfather was a sometime Rector of Alderney. Hazel was baptised at St Stephen's. She led a peaceful Guernsey life until the Occupation (she was then five), at which time the family went to Devon where her mother had relations. During the war, her father got work as a doctor in Lincoln, where the family then moved. He later joined the British Army and was sent to Africa. Hazel, her mother and her sister spent the war in Devon and returned to Guernsey in 1946, her father following after. Hazel studied at Ladies' College for three years, but her mother decided she and her sister needed exposure to a wider world and sent them to boarding school in England. When she finished her schooling, she began studying to be a nurse, beginning with Children's Nursing in Kent.

Her cousin, a colonel in the Signals stationed in Cyprus, asked Hazel to come to Cyprus to help them with their new-born daughter, which she very gamely accepted. There she met John and, as they say, the rest is history, except for the many moves which shall indeed be detailed herein. Hazel, after 18 months or so in Cyprus, returned to England to begin her seven-year course of nurse's

training, but when the hospital discovered that she had become engaged to John, they made her stop her training (a common practice at the time, not that they objected to John; it was just forbidden to be engaged and continue one's studies). Hazel returned to Guernsey in 1958 and she and John were married (at St Stephen's, of course) the following year.

Their first residence as a married couple was in the UK (Devizes) where their first daughter, Frances, was born, then moving to Tidworth. John joined the King's African Rifles in 1961, and so off they went to Kenya. They lived on the outskirts of Nairobi, next to a game park, where the lions' roars very often kept them awake at night. Their second daughter, Alison, was born there (not in the game park, in Nairobi proper) in February 1962. They moved from Nairobi to Lake Nakuru, and then in July moved to Uganda. Because of the unrest there at that time, they moved back to Nairobi in January 1964, where their third daughter, Pippa, was born a mere month later. Amazing, intrepid Hazel. Never daunted by political unrest, babies on the brink of being born, unsettled living conditions. Her wonderful smile, which we enjoy every time we see her, was forged in these circumstances, and we're still not near the end of her travels.

Returning from Africa in August 1964, via Khartoum and Rome, Hazel and the girls came 'home' for a rest in Guernsey. In 1965 they were back in the UK, housed near Guilford, but not for long. In 1966 they went to Germany, to which they returned a further two times, returning to the UK in between (allowing Hazel to further hone her removal skills). They settled (yes, settled!) in Colchester in 1980, and John retired from the Army four years later, when Hazel's much-perfected, ever-smiling poise under all the pressures of moving was laid to rest for a while. Finished was the army housing, sometimes shabby, sometimes chic, and now they were able to enjoy the luxury of a neighbourhood of well-heated, flea-free housing, nowhere near game parks. Their next-to-last move was back to Guernsey in 1999, back to St Stephen's, with only one additional move to their credit since then. You see, the life of a 'Guernsey Girl' is not always a story of 'staying on the rock'. Bravo, Hazel.



Hazel in Africa

'Anglo-Catholic'....matters

St Stephen's Church has a long and rich Anglo-Catholic tradition. Each month, the Parish Magazine will feature an article about one aspect of this tradition, which contributes so much to our corporate worship and the life of our church community.



Dedications of Churches to Patron Saints

The vast majority of the 16,500 churches in the Church of England are dedicated to one or more people. Most are dedicated to a single 'patron saint', such as St Peter or The Virgin Mary, or to one of the persons of God, such as the Holy Trinity, Christ Church, or the Good Shepherd. Others commemorate Christian events such as the Assumption of Our Lady or the Ascension of Our Lord.

By the fourth century it was common practice to dedicate a Christian place of worship to one or more patron saints. An early example of this was in 386 when St Ambrose dedicated Milan Cathedral to Gervasius and Protasius, whose graves he found nearby. Once the Church was established in England, the practice developed of dedicating a new church's patron saint during the act of consecration by the diocesan bishop, and Mass could not be held in a building until the consecration had taken place. There is much evidence of the dedication of churches prior to 800, with most being dedicated to St Peter and to St Mary.

During consecration, the building would usually be named in honour of a 'holy martyr', but sometimes to commemorate a 'confessor', a 'matron' or a 'virgin'. Nonetheless many churches remained undedicated up until the thirteenth century. In 1229 the Bishop of Worcester William of Blois mandated that all churches in his diocese display the date of dedication and name of patron saint alongside the altar, and many mediaeval churches would have a painted image of their patron saint nearby. Churches would also celebrate the feast day of their patron or patrons in what is now known as the 'patronal festival', with local parishioners taking a holiday or naming children after their patron.

The Protestant Reformation of the 16th century swept away centuries of Church tradition, and the whitewashing of sacred images led to a backlash against saints associated with the Church. Whilst not prohibiting them, the *Book of Common Prayer* contained no text for a dedication service, and with new church builds becoming fewer, the practice became less well known. By the 18th century many churches had forgotten their dedication entirely.

It was the Victorian era, the first great English church-building era for centuries, that finally revived the interest in patron saints. By this stage, many had re-discovered their original dedication, whereas others changed the dedication to a new patron saint for any number of reasons. Others gave their dedication a more prosaic twist, giving rise to the many churches now known as 'St Michael and All Angels', 'All Hallows' or 'The Blessed Virgin Mary'. By the 20th century, the dedication's continued usage was once again assured.

Currently, there are 145 churches in the Church of England dedicated to St Stephen, whose Festival Day is 26th December. It is not yet known why he was chosen to be the patron saint of our church when it opened on 6th January 1865. However, St Stephen's Church in Guernsey has the honour of continuing a long tradition of churches that chose to honour the deacon who was also the first Christian martyr. The photo below is taken of the Cappella di Santo Stefano, a 17th-century church located in Lugano, Switzerland.

Fr John Moore



Photo courtesy of Frances Cambrai-Bell



The Guild of Intercession

Harold George Anderson, 2/12/1909; Kathleen Hayes, 30/12/1919; Claude Underhill, 14/12/1940; Edmundson Peter Greenhow, 2/12/1941; Edith Crocker, 15/12/1942; Charles Board, 13/12/1943; Mary Elizabeth Brehaut, 31/12/1943; Winifred Dobree de la Condamine, 9/12/1948; Stephen James Inder, 9/12/1949; Adele Louise Renouf, 10/12/1949; Ada Louise Sauvarin, 28/12/1949; Margaret Holmes, 12/12/1955; George William Slade Anderson, 15/12/1955; Annie Watling, 24/12/1955; Cyril Garbett (Archbishop), 31/12/1955; Thomas Dorey Carré, 18/12/1957; Miriam Renouf, 22/12/1958; Lucy Alice Mahy, 2/12/1959; Hilary Arthur James Woodward, 7/12/1959; John James Robilliard, 22/12/1959; Samuel James Bishop, 29/12/1959; Edward William Patch, 24/12/1960; William Pierrepoint Dawson (Priest), 3/12/1961; Josephine Lenore Sarre, 3/12/1962; Harry Brown, 13/12/1962; Winifred Melinda de la Mare, 13/12/1962; Rose Martel, 18/12/1962; Marie Elsie Fooks, 29/12/1962; Oswald Charles Way, 16/12/1963; Harold Amy, 18/12/1963; Florence Kelly, 29/12/1963; Thomas Hartley Jackson (Priest/Vicar), 1/12/1964; Florence Burnell, 13/12/1969; Ruth Finch, 9/12/1970; Edith de Putron 5/12/1971; Lydia Smith, 7/12/1971; Kathleen May Hinds, 13/12/1972; Muriel Margaret Thulia McLeod, 9/12/1973; Heidi de la Mare 9/12/1973; Edward Renouf, 6/12/1976; Frank Noel Petit, 11/12/1977; Peter Withey, 25/12/1977; Dorothy Agnes Baker, 24/12/1978; Margaret Ann Stevens-Guille, 25/12/1978; Leonard William Goddard, 1/12/1979; Marion Gardner, 1/12/1980; Reginald David Rumens, 5/12/1982; William John Winkfield, 28/12/1982; John Ambrose Harding (Priest), 18/12/1986; Stanley James Butt, 27/12/1986; Jane Elizabeth Rive, 26/12/1988; Monica Evelyn de la Mare, 17/12/1989; Doris Bertha Pinney, 2/12/1990; Bertie Evelyn Le Page, 19/12/1990; Donald Ernest Jesse Yabsley, 21/12/1991; Elaine Amelia Ralls, 4/12/1992; Ivy Maud Ozanne, 28/12/1992; Jean Ruby Sharman, 9/12/1993; Edward George Short, 8/12/1996; Margery Hilda Rose Samson, 15/12/1996; Emily Elizabeth Pattimore, 7/12/1997; William Jeffrey 31/12/1999; Josephine Elsa Scott-Matthews, 31/12/1999; Miriam Robin Le Page, 15/12/2001; Edward John Kreckeler, 20/12/2001; Raymond John Bassett, 13/12/2002; Alice Machon, 3/12/2004; Kathleen Barbara Grisell, 16/12/2004; Daphne Dorothy Susan Millard, 4/12/2005; Florence Owen Paint, 6/12/2005; Cyril Leonard Dack, 16/12/2005; Annie Patricia Holiday, 20/12/2005; Sylvia Mary Chandler, 18/12/2006; Betty Druce, 21/12/2006; Gordon Chamberlain Coutu, 3/12/2007; Hilda Louise Jean Bourgaize, 17/12/2007; Barry Raymond Gargan, 21/12/2007; Amelia Elizabeth Le Page, 24/12/2007; Margaret May Jouhning 25/12/2007; James Keith Barry, 30/12/2007; Jeanette Diana Colt, 30/12/2007; Leslie Charles Paul 13/12/2008; Jake Carl Smith-McClean (Stillborn), 17/12/2009; Ella Miles, 14/12/2010 (1 day); Graeme Roger Marsh, 18/12/2012; John David Stephenson, 25/12/2012; Barbara Johnson, 16/12/2013; William Falla, 28/12/2013; Herbert Stanley Bishop, 5/12/14; Rita Gwyneth Ridge, 18/12/14:

Year unknown: Murray Millar, 23/12.

May They Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

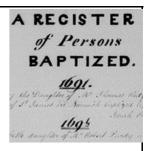
Parish Registers

Baptisms

Ezra Alec Robert Garnham – 2nd November 2018

Weddings

None



Funerals

Roy Rumens Robin – 7th November 2018 (died 25 October 2018)

	December Bible	Readings
Sunday 2nd December	The First Sunday of Advent	Jeremiah Ch33 v14-16 1 Thessalonians Ch3 v9-13 Luke Ch21 v25-36
Sunday 9th December	The Second Sunday of Advent	Malachi Ch3 v1-4 Philippians Ch1 v3-11 Luke Ch3 v1-6
Sunday 16th December	The Third Sunday of Advent	Zephaniah Ch3 v14-20 Philippians Ch4 v4-7 Luke Ch3 v7-18
Sunday 23rd December	The Fourth Sunday of Advent	Micah Ch5 v2-5a Hebrews Ch10 v5-10 Luke Ch1 v39-45
Monday 24th December	Christmas Eve	Isaiah Ch9 v2-7 Hebrews Ch1 v1-4 John Ch1 v1-14
Tuesday 25th December	The Nativity of our Lord (Christmas Day)	Isaiah Ch52 v7-10 Titus Ch2 v11-14 Luke Ch2 v1-14
Wednesday 26th December	The Festival of St Stephen, Deacon and Martyr	Acts Ch7 v51-60 Galatians Ch2 v16b-20 Matthew Ch10 v17-22
Sunday 30th December	The First Sunday of Christmas	1Samuel Ch2 v18-20, 26 Colossians Ch3 v12-17 Luke Ch2 v41-52



Hymns and Liturgical Music December

	Hymn	Proper	Offertory	Communion	Post- Communion
2nd Dec 1st Sunday of Advent	5	657	9	15	3 2nd Tune
9th Dec 2nd Sunday of Advent	18	658	10	8	14
16th Dec 3rd Sunday of Advent	12	659	7	1	C.1
23rd Dec 4th Sunday of Advent	6	660	11	2	186
24th Dec Christmas Eve	Procession 34 Carol 7 vs 1, 2 & 5	662	29	42/32	30
25th Dec Christmas Day	24 vs 1-3 25	663	36	31	26 omit *
26th Dec Festival of St Stephen	C.13	664	C.12	C.14 vs 3-5	C.5
30th Dec 1st Sunday of Christmas	Procession 37	667	25	23	39

9.30am

2nd December: 9 + S.29

9th December: 3 (2nd Tune) + MP 48

16th December: 12 + S.52 23rd December: S.2 + S.12 30th December: 25 + 22

Guilds, Clubs & Activities at St Stephen's

RAINBOWS	Lesley Le Huray Tel: 254333	Wednesday 4.00pm – 5.00pm	Community Centre 5-7 years old
BROWNIES	Tamara Beach Tel: 07911 711052	Wednesday 5.00pm - 6.30pm	Community Centre 7 - 10 years old
GUIDES	Debbie Robillard Tel: 714850 + 07911 132440 beans975@gmail.com	Friday 6.00pm – 7.30pm	Community Centre 10 - 14 years old
1st VICTORIA SEA SCOUT GROUP	Pierre Woodland Tel: 722210	Beavers Monday 5.30pm - 6.45pm	Community Centre 6 – 8 years old
Group Scout Leader	Paula Woodland Tel: 722210	Cubs Monday 7.00pm - 8.30pm	Community Centre 8 – 10 years old
Rosalyne Le Huray Tel: 257939	Julie Hutchins Mob: 07781 430700	Sea Scouts Wednesday 7.00pm – 9.00pm	Community Centre 10 – 14 years old
SUNDAY CLUB	Andrea Bateman andrea.batement@yahoo. co.uk	Sunday 9.30am	Church Vestry
YOUTH ALIVE!	Fr John Moore Tel: 720268	As arranged	Various venues
ST STEPHEN'S GUILD	Marg Kaines Tel: 254858	As arranged	Church 'housekeeping'
SERVERS Guild of the Servants of the Sanctuary	Tony Kaines Tel: 254858	Monthly See notice board	Info: www.GSSonline.org .uk
SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE	Tony Goss Tel: 266214	As arranged	St Stephen's Vestry
ST STEPHEN'S PLAYERS	Steph Dragun Tel: 255654 steph.dragun@cwgsy.net	As arranged	Community Centre

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SUNDAY MASSES

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 11.00am The Book of Common Prayer

Wednesday7.00pmCommon WorshipFriday7.00pmCommon Worship