

Advent Prayer Weekend

Friday 30th November - Sunday 2nd December

Advent is the season of great expectation leading up to the celebration of Christ's birth, the manifestation of God's salvation to the world.

The vision of the weekend is to 'sing' songs of **praise**, of **prophecy** and of **blessing** over our town, our community, and our family and friends, just as Mary, the mother of Jesus, and Zechariah the priest sang songs of rejoicing and prophetic declaration.

We will 'sing' those songs through prayer, worship and practical acts throughout the weekend.

'My soul **glorifies** the Lord and my spirit **rejoices** in God my Saviour'

Mary's Song *Luke 2:46*

'to **shine** on those living in darkness...to guide our feet into the path of **peace**'

Zechariah's Song *Luke 2:79*



PROGRAMME

Friday:

9.30am - 10.15am	Morning Prayer (Advent Launch)	St Andrew's
Daytime	Prayer in the Chapel	St Andrew's
7pm - 9pm	Art and Craft Prayer	St Andrew's
	<i>(Express your prayers through art and craft led by Ali Mesley)</i>	
Overnight	Prayer	St Andrew's

Saturday:

10am - 1pm	Morning of Reflection	All Saints
	<i>(Dwelling in, and prayer from, Zachariah's song and Communion. Led by Rev'd Paul Hunt)</i>	
1pm - 4pm	Prayer	St Andrew's
4.30pm	Torch light prayer walk leaving at 5pm	
	<i>(Two groups, one leaving from St Andrew's and an other from All Saints, will walk across the commons to meet each other near the railway bridge to pray and worship together.)</i>	

This is a family friendly event - please bring your torches.

No overnight prayer

Sunday:

AM	Normal Sunday services at both churches	
Afternoon	Join us for a Prayer walk on the hills.	
7pm	Deeper	All Saints

**Can you commit to praying for and blessing our community for an hour?
Please sign up on the sheets provided.**

