

St Mary's, Gordonton. Sunday 18th Dec & Christmas Eve & Day



Parish Office Hours & Contacts in Jan-Feb

Office Hours: Closed 1 Jan 17 - 5th Feb 17

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Vicars Phone: 027 4213200 *for urgent calls during Jan*

Vicar: Rev. David Smithson

Peoples Warden: Sally-Ann Riddell 07 8243850

Vicars Warden: Roger Jennings 07 8243712

Sun 18th Advent 4 Communion Service 10am. 24th Midnight Mass 11pm,
25th Christmas Day Communion Service 9:30am

Sermon Dec 18: "The Virgin Birth". **Sermon for Christmas/Eve:** "Unto us A Child is Born"

Refreshments for Sun 18th: Sally-Ann Riddell

For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called
Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. *Isaiah 9:6*

This is the last Pew sheet for 2016! We have had a wonderful year, and God has blessed us greatly in so many ways. I believe that our Community has grown even closer together, has grown spiritually, and we are in very good health. Glory to God in the Highest! See you next year when we meet Sun 12th Feb. Take care, and God bless, David.

Office hours and contact of vicar during January: Church office closed, reopens Friday 10th Feb. The vicar is available during January for *urgent* calls only on 027 4213200

No Services held during January – 5th Feb.

10am Sun Services 2017 Resume 12th Feb & the Newsletter will be available in late January



Readings for 18th Dec (Sally-Ann Riddell):

OT: Isaiah 7:10-16

NT: Romans 1:1-7

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Readings for Christmas Eve & Day:

OT: Isaiah 9:2-7

NT: Titus 2:11-14

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)

Children & Youth on Sun 18th:

Advent/Christmas activity packs with a chocolate treat!



+ Prayer Points +

- For those who are grieving, sick, sad, or lonely this Christmas; may we be Christ's hands and feet to them.
- Don't forget to pray for God's creatures this Christmas season – life can be tough on them during Christmas! Pray for those involved in the Animal Welfare and rescue
- For safe, happy and refreshing holidays for all

