

This week's services

Sunday 14 Advent 3

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Eastergate
9am	Mattins (BCP)	Barnham
9.30am	Said Mass (BCP)	Barnham
10am	Family Communion	Eastergate
10am	Parish Communion	Aldingbourne
11.15am	Sung Mass	Barnham
6pm	Community Carols	Eastergate Village Hall
6pm	Evensong and Benediction	Barnham

Tues 16 Feria

6.30pm	Said mass	Barnham
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Wed 17 Feria

10am	Holy Communion	Eastergate
2.30pm	Christmas Carol Service	Eastergate

Thurs 18 Feria

1.45pm	Eastergate School Carol Service 1	Eastergate
2.20pm	Eastergate School Carol Service 2	Eastergate

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

ALDINGBOURNE & EASTERGATE (Advent 4)

Isa 7:10-16, Ps 80, Rom 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-25

BARNHAM (Advent 4)

Isa 7:10-14,10, Ps 24, Rom 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-24

St Mary's Aldingbourne - For more information contact Sarah Nichol on 543348 or email sarahnicholpabe@gmail.com

St Mary's Barnham - Please contact Bradley on 07931 527724 or bradley.smith4@gmail.com for further details of services.

St George's Eastergate - Please contact Gary on 552099 or email courtnadge@outlook.com for more information, if needed.

Sunday Seekers meets on Sunday at 9.45am in Eastergate School and joins the church congregation towards the end of the service Further details from Hedda on 696811.

Play & Pray - Every Friday morning 10-11.30am in St. George's. For more details contact Hedda on 696811

The Parish Office (Website: www.parishofabe.org.uk)
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Rector - Revd Canon Paul Armstead : 551566
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For colleagues please see the Parish News



ABE CONTACT

14 December 2025

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WELCOME to church today especially if this is the first time you have been with us. Please make yourself known to our wardens and stay for refreshments at the end.

JAR OF COMPASSION 2025 our partner for the jars in our three churches this year is My Sisters' House. The total so far is £1,152.55. Have you found your jar? The PCC agreed last week that our charity for 2026 will be St Wilfrid's Hospice.

CHRISTMAS FAIR we have a provisional profit figure of £3,120.11 (2024 - £2,813.80) which is wonderful!!

ADVENT REFLECTION ECUMENICAL lunchtime group continues this Wednesday [as in magazine] at the Methodist hall and every Weds 12 -2pm. A soup lunch followed by discussion. Advent books are available in churches...for sale or loan...money to parish funds.

ALPHA COURSE If you are wanting to attend then in order to sign up an e mail needs to be sent to Fr Paul so that we can keep you informed and know numbers.

A Bite to Eat (Christmas Parish Lunch) is on 18 December in Eastergate Village Hall. Please do come and share in our Christmas soup lunch which of course contains added extras. We will also enjoy the challenge of a light hearted quiz. All are welcome!

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE at St George's on Wednesday at 2.30pm in aid of the Mothers' Union. Come and join in with favourite carols and readings and this will be followed with seasonal refreshments.

EASTERGATE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR is on Wednesday from 3.10pm until 5pm Please do come along if you can at some point.

TWELVE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS A small booklet of meditations for Christmas and the New Year. There are plenty of copies at each church. Please take one home for the joy over the twelve days of Christmas and let me know if you found them useful. Fr Paul

BISHOP MARTIN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE can be found on the church noticeboards and will be in the January magazine,

You can donate to our ministry and mission by

- **Joining the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)** details in each church or contact Chris Wells, Treasurer,
- **By card at the entrance to each church** by Goodbox (contactless) donations.
- **By cash in the Offertory plate during the service**

The Parish of ABE has to raise £2,200 (approx.) per week to meet the costs of ministry and mission and is grateful to everyone who works towards this. Please be generous.