

## Notices

*Everyone needs to know about Safeguarding.*

Two **Basic Awareness** training sessions in November led by Elizabeth Humphrey.

Held in **Church House** at **2.30 pm**

**Friday 22 November** and **Wednesday 27 November**

*Meet with friends and colleagues from across the Minster and achieve your CO Certificate.*

**Please note: Correct time is 2.30 pm**

**Minster Advent Carol Service**

**Sunday 01 December** at **Holy Trinity, Arrow** **6.00 pm**

*Everyone welcome*

**Winter Concert**  
**Saturday, 07 December**  
**7.00 pm**  
at **Holy Trinity, Arrow**

*A warm welcome including refreshments. Free entry with a retiring collection.*

**St Nicholas Gift Service**

**Sunday Live**

**24 November**  
**at 11.00 am**

*If you are able to donate a gift for a child, bring a new and unwrapped gift along to the service or leave in church for the service.  
[See Minster Matters for more information]*

**Fund Raising Lunch**  
**Thursday 28 November**  
**12.00 & 1.15 pm**

*Two sittings*  
**Church House**  
*Booking essential*  
*Tel: 01789 763 509*  
*In aid of St Nicholas Restoration Fund*

**St Nicholas Night Compline**  
**Friday 06 Dec at 9.00 pm**

Singers (male pitch) are welcome to join our choir of Minster men and guests in singing this serene 20 minute service of Night Prayer to its ancient plainsong music.

*Newcomers should attend rehearsal previous **Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec.** after choir practice.*

**Further details from**  
**Richard Osborne 763509**

**Please note!**

**Tuesday 03 December 7.00 pm Holy Communion**  
**at St Nicholas, Alcester is CANCELLED**



# **Welcome to the Alcester Minster Group of Churches Sunday 17 November 2019**

**2 Before Advent**     *Red*

*“Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.”*

*2 Thessalonians 3 v 13*

### **Collect**

Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son was revealed to  
destroy the works of the devil  
and to make us the children of God  
and heirs of eternal life:  
grant that we, having this hope,  
may purify ourselves even as he is  
pure;  
that when he shall appear in power  
and great glory  
we may be made like him in his  
eternal and glorious kingdom;  
where he is alive and reigns with  
you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **Alternative Collect**

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's  
salvation:  
stir us from apathy,  
restrain us from excess  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one  
day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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### **Ministry Team:**

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### **Administrator:**

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**Alcester Minster website:** [www.alcesterminster.org](http://www.alcesterminster.org)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/AlcesterMinster](http://www.facebook.com/AlcesterMinster)

## Next week's services and events

**Sunday 17 November**      **2 before Advent**      *Red*  
*No evening services*

**Monday 18 November**

Church House      7.30 pm      Calling all Minster Men  
*Cool Jazz and hot soup*

**Tuesday 19 November**

Alcester      7.00 pm      Holy Communion  
 Alcester      7.30 pm      St Nicholas Choir Practice  
 Hayloft,      7.45 pm      MLT meeting  
 Church House

**Wednesday 20 November**

Alcester      8.00 am      Prayer for Alcester Deanery  
 Alcester      10.00 am      Holy Communion  
 Sambourne      1.30 pm      Keep Fit for over 65s  
 Church House      7.30 pm      Alcester PCC meeting  
 Hayloft,      7.30 pm      Arrow with Weethley PCC meeting  
 Church House

**Thursday 21 November**

Coughton      9.15 am      Prayer for Coughton with Sambourne  
 Parish  
 Church House      2.00 pm      Mothers' Union Knit and Natter  
 Great Alne      5.30 pm      Wedding rehearsal  
 Alcester      7.30 pm      St Nicholas Bell-ringing Practice

**Friday 22 November**

Alcester      10.00 am      Little Stars 'Mother Theresa'  
 Church House      2.30 pm      Basic Safeguarding Awareness Course  
 Jubilee Fields      7.00 pm      Chocolate Run for Young People

**Saturday 23 November**

Great Alne      2.00 pm      Wedding

**Sunday 24 November**

**Christ the King**      *Red*  
 Alcester      9.00 am      Holy Communion  
 Arrow      9.00 am      Holy Eucharist  
 Kinwarton      9.00 am      Holy Communion  
 Alcester      11.00 am      Sunday Live 'Gift Service'  
 Sambourne      11.00 am      Family Communion  
 Alcester      3.00 pm      Baptism

## Readings for the week

<b>Today</b>	2 Thessalonians 3 v 6 - 13 Luke 21 v 5 - 19
Monday	Matthew 7 v 1 - 12
Tuesday	Matthew 7 v 13 - 29
Wednesday	Matthew 8 v 1 - 13
Thursday	Matthew 8 v 14 - 22
Friday	Matthew 8 v 23 - 34
Saturday	Matthew 9 v 1 - 17



### Prayer

The Ministry Leadership Team  
 would like you to pray for  
 the following topics:

1. Pray for all those who are involved in bringing medical and food aid to war-torn countries. May they have the wisdom and strength to overcome daily difficulties.
2. Thank God for all those who helped you in times of difficulty, and brightened up your life.

***The Minster has Home Groups meeting  
 [usually fortnightly] during the week.  
 If you are interested in joining one, please contact the Rector.***

*Please ensure all mobile phones are switched OFF during the service.  
 Visitors are invited to Gift Aid their offerings in the envelopes provided.*

### **Please take this sheet home with you**

Contact Tricia Berry (01789 509 278 or 07840 284 294 or  
 administrator@alcesterminster.org) by 6 pm on Tuesday to add notices of church  
 activities to next week's notice sheet.

*Do you subscribe to  
 the **MINSTER MATTERS** magazine and if not would you like to in 2019?  
 Paper/Email copies available - Enquiries to the administrator*

*Check out the website calendar for further details on  
 events/services coming up*



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 Find details and pictures of events at [www.facebook.com/AlcesterMinster](http://www.facebook.com/AlcesterMinster)  
 If you would like to submit event notices or photos to be published on the  
 page then please email administrator@alcesterminster.org