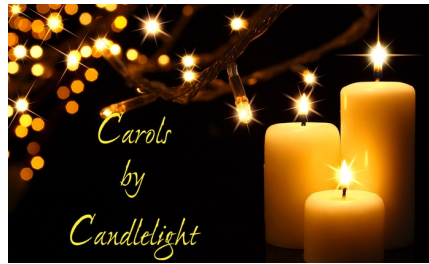




# Welcome to Advent *E* - News

*Sunday 16th December  
Carols by Candlelight*



**St Helen's - 11am & 7pm**

**\*11 am with Choir & Children Activities**

**\*7 pm with Music Group**

There are no more Midweek Communion this year. Please  
join us again from Wednesday 9th January at 11.30am



## Christmas Services at St. Helen's



### **Sunday 23rd December**

9.15am Morning Prayer with Carols

4pm Parish Christingle Service

### **Monday 24th Dec**

11pm St Helen's Holy Communion with carols

### **Tuesday 25th Dec (Christmas Day)**

10am **St Helen's** Family Communion

11am **St Paul's** Family Communion

### **Christmas Day Lunch**

Please don't be alone on Christmas Day. We would love you to join us for lunch at 12noon in the Emmaus Rooms at St. Helen's. Please phone Sally on 07910 558139.



### **The Joy Candle** - **Third Sunday of Advent.**

The **3rd Sunday** in Advent is Gaudete Sunday (from the Latin meaning "rejoice") which is taken from Philippians 4:4-5, the

Entrance Antiphon of the day.

## Walton Events in December

**Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning and Sale** 10-11.30 Methodist Church

**Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Carol Service** 10.30. Methodist Church

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Christmas Concert** 7pm. Walton Club.  
Walton Singers, Academy Choir etc Adults £2 Kids free.

**Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Children's Pantomime- Cinderella** 3pm  
Club £5

**Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Holy Communion by candlelight.** 7pm at the  
Methodist Church

**Christmas Day Communion** 11am St Paul's

**New Year's Eve** Elvis tribute. Club 7pm £5



## Did you know .....

### *Why are Christmas songs called carols?*

**Carols** were first sung in Europe thousands of years ago, but these were not **Christmas Carols**. They were pagan **songs**, sung at the Winter Solstice celebrations as people danced round stone circles. ... The word **Carol** actually means dance or a song of praise and joy!



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# Christmas Gift Ideas

## Gift Voucher - Give the gift of a retreat!

Would you like to give a gift that will:

- give someone time and space to reflect on their journey with God?
- encourage a busy friend to take time out from the usual routine?
- provide the opportunity for someone to experience a retreat for the first time?

Then Community of the Resurrection gift voucher could be exactly what you are looking for! <https://r1.technology-trust-news.org/48IA-FM1R-BIE0I-AX5XF-1/c.aspx>



## Cherish Women's Conference 2019 Ticket

**30.05.19 – 01.06.19**

*First Direct Arena Leeds*



How do you catch your breath when you feel breathless? Where do you go when you are running out of air, running wild, running on empty? How do you learn to breathe again? Inhaling life, exhaling truth, finding the breath to bring dry bones to life, refuelling the should and invigorating the mind.

Run to the breath that has the power to awaken dormant dreams and lift the weariest of hearts. It's His breath in our lungs that gives us our very life. His breath changes everything and can permeate all things. So go ahead and breathe Him in and learn to breathe again.

**Come join a group of ladies from St Helen's taking a breath at this inspiring annual event next year. Contact Marisa in the office 01924 259966 for a ticket !**





## \* Early Notice \*

The Parish Office will be closed from  
21 Dec and will reopen on 8 January  
2019 Have a great weekend.  
God bless everyone 😊

# Advent & Christmas Diary 2018

12	Wed	2 & 6pm	<b>Sandal Castle Church School Years 5 &amp; 6 Christmas Worship</b>	St Helen's
13	Thurs	9.15am	<b>Boogie-Woogie Tots Christmas Party</b>	St Paul's
16	Sun	11am	<b>Carols by Candlelight</b> <i>with Choir &amp; Children's activities</i>	St. Helen's
		7pm	<b>Carols by Candlelight</b> <i>with Music Group</i>	St. Helen's
18	Tues	9.15	<b>Toddle-in Christmas Party</b> with Nativity	St Helen's
19	Wed	9am-12noon	<b>Sandal Castle Church School Years 1-4 Christmas Worship</b>	St. Helen's
20	Thurs	9am - 1pm	<b>Walton Primary Academy Christmas Worship</b>	St. Paul's
		11am-1pm	<b>Christians against Poverty Christmas Event</b>	Portobello
23	Sun	9.15am	<b>Morning Prayer with Carols</b>	St. Helen's
		4pm	<b>Parish Christingle Service</b>	St Helen's
24	Mon	11pm	<b>Christmas Eve Midnight Communion</b>	St Helen's
25	Tues	10am	<b>Christmas Day Family Communion</b>	St Helen's
		11am	<b>Christmas Day Family Communion</b>	St. Paul's
		12noon	<b>Parish Christmas Day Lunch - All welcome!</b> Emmaus Rooms	St. Helen's
30	Sun	9.15am	<b>Holy Communion</b>	St Helen's