With the date of the Christmas Fair fast approaching I would remind you of the boxes at the back of the church for contributions and I would also pass on a request from Val. for cakes for the cake stall that she will be running.

If anybody could offer to produce the newsletter for the next two weeks, while Sue is away please make yourself known.

## **November/December**

26<sup>th</sup> Community shop 11-1pm in the hall.

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3<sup>rd</sup> Men's Breakfast 9am in hall.

10th Christmas Fair.

12<sup>th</sup> Community Lunch 1pm in the hall.

13th Book Group 7.45pm at 10 Weston Road.

19th Women's Fellowship2.30pm in the hall.

Prayer groups meet on each Tuesday 9.30-10 am and each Wednesday 7-7.30 pm in the Church.

Mum's coffee morning each Wednesday morning at 9.30am

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# ST. FRANCIS PARISH CHURCH, WESTBOROUGH

# Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 10am 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

A warm welcome to all joining us for our service today

**Readings:** Isaiah 2 v. 1-5 p.687 or

Romans 13 v.11 to end p.1140

Matthew 24 v.36 to end p.994

## Collect:

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

If your little ones need distraction there are books and toys in the back room for your use.

Please join us for refreshments and a chat after the service.

'I can help' At the present moment in time we have not heard from enough volunteers to put together a rota for transporting the people who used to travel on the minibus. The aim would be to have enough spare names to cover sickness, hols. etc. and to ensure that volunteers do not feel that there is too much pressure on them to be available every week. Please think seriously and prayerfully about your availability and have a word with Mike Hammond, perhaps I should say have three words with him – 'I can help'