

Please join us at St. Nicholas for any of our Christmas events

**Sunday 11th December**

9.15am & 11am Christingle Services

**Wednesday 14th December**

10.30am Children's Carol Service with Mum & Co. and Babies' Club

**Sunday 18th December**

10am Grace Church All Age Christmas Service Lady Boswell's School

3pm Sunday@3 Christingle Service Lady Boswell's School

4 O'Clock Church All Age Christmas Service Walthamstow Hall School

6.30pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols followed by mince pies

**Christmas Eve**

2.30pm (less crowded) & 4pm Family Carols by Candlelight

11.15pm Midnight Holy Communion

**Christmas Day**

8am Holy Communion

10am Christmas Family Celebration

10am Christmas All Age Service Lady Boswell's School



**Rectory and Church Car Park: Please remember - If your car is blocking anyone else in, please be available to move it PROMPTLY after the service.**

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**St Nicholas Church**  
SEVENOAKS

*A warm welcome to St Nicholas Church!*

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**  
**with Eynsford Concert Band**  
Conductor: Mike Smith



**7pm, Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

Welcome: The Revd. Canon Angus MacLeay, Rector

Congregational Carol: O come, all ye faithful

Concert Band: *The Proclamation of Christmas – Bulla*

Congregational Carol: Joy to the world

Church Music Group: *'How Many Kings'* – Words and music by Mark Martel and Jason Germain, as performed by 'Downhere', arr. P Harlow  
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Concert Band: *Rejouissance – Cumow*

Congregational Carol: The First Nowell

Concert Band: *Fantasy on the Huron Carol – arr. Buckley*

St Nicholas Choir: *'Soon and very soon' – A Crouch arr. Peter Young*

Concert Band: *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat – arr. Sweeney*

Drama: *'Bob: a seeker after truth'*

Bible Reading: John 1:1-14

Christmas Message: The Revd. Andy Fearnley, Curate

Congregational Carol: Hark the Herald Angels Sing

The Blessing: The Revd. Canon Angus MacLeay, Rector

**Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> December – The Third Sunday of Advent**

8am	Holy Communion	2 Peter 1:16-18	Andy Fearnley
9.15am	Family Christingle Service	Luke 2:1-7	Angus MacLeay
10am	Grace Church Communion	John 1:14-18	Allan Beckett
11am	Family Christingle Service	Luke 2:1-7	Angus MacLeay
4pm	4 O'Clock Church Communion	John 1:14-18	Martin Levett
6.30pm	Evening Service with Baptism	Mark 2:18-22	Gavin McGrath



**EYNSFORD CONCERT BAND** is a symphonic wind ensemble that has been based in the small Kentish village of Eynsford since 1972.

The band has 50 playing members from the South East of England that aspire to attain the highest standards of musicianship within a social and friendly environment. Eynsford Concert Band has gained an international reputation and enjoys performing a wide range of concert band repertoire from popular music arrangements and orchestral transcriptions to classic and modern wind band works.

The band is firmly rooted in its community and every year raises substantial amounts for local charities.

For many years we have been honoured to support the Remembrance Sunday Service each November at the Sevenoaks Vine War Memorial and to perform as part of St Nicholas' Christmas celebrations.

The band performs several concerts locally throughout the year. If you would like to find out more, please visit our website [www.eynsfordconcertband.co.uk](http://www.eynsfordconcertband.co.uk)

**MIKE SMITH** joined the Army as a clarinettist, serving in England, Northern Ireland and Cyprus before being selected to attend the three year Bandmaster Course at The Royal Military School of Music, Kneller Hall. He graduated in 1996 winning the Commandant's Prize and the coveted Worshipful Company of Musicians' Medal for best all-round Student Bandmaster of the year whilst completing his Bachelor of Arts Degree and gaining his Licentiate of the Royal School of Music in Conducting.

In April 2008 Michael was selected for a commission into the Corps of Army Music and was appointed Director of Music the Band of The Royal Irish Regiment (TA).

In October 2010 he was appointed Director of Music The Band of the Corps of Royal Engineers in Chatham, Kent. After just 8 months with the Engineers Band he was asked to take up the much coveted appointment of Director of Music the Band of the Grenadier Guards in June 2011.

It was at this time that he also took up the Musical Directorship of Eynsford Concert Band, in their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year, and led the band on a short celebration cruise to Belgium.

In July 2013 Michael left the Band of the Grenadier Guards to return to Headquarters Corps of Army Music in a staff officer post, also taking on the role of Corps Secretary. In April 2015 he was appointed Chief Instructor at The Royal Military School of Music where he is responsible for the training of Army Bandmasters and Musicians.