

**A good Ansty Village turnout for  
the St James's Church**

**'Carols by Candlelight' held on  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023**









Pictures kindly sent in by Louise Gooding

**Only St James' Church in Ansty could look so inviting for the beginning of the festive season 2023.**

**The marvellous 'Carols by Candlelight' led for the last time by the Reverend Dr. Graham Southgate was well attended with all generations of Ansty well-represented, from babes in arms to the oldest residents.**

**Graham will be taking up the new post of Rector of the Upper Stour and Maiden Bradley Benefice in the New Year.**

**At the end of the carol singing, Lesley Simm, on behalf of the St James' congregation and the Ansty community thanked Graham for his time at St James' and presented him with a small gift.**

**There then followed the traditional mince pies and mulled wine refreshments – a happy start to this year's Christmas Celebrations!**

**Graham's last service in St James will be the All-Age Communion on Christmas Day at 11.15 am**

**Graham's final service in the Nadder Team will be at the combined service of Holy Communion at St George's Church in Fovant at 11.15 am on New Year's Eve, 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.**