Newsletter Christ Church, Roath Park Lake Road North, Cardiff, CF23 5QN

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 2nd December 2018

Sunday 2nd December – 1st Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Family Service

6.00pm Evening Worship

6.30pm J-Walkers

Monday 3rd 1.00pm Funeral

7.30pm Keep Fit

Tuesday 4th 2.00pm Good Companions

6.30pm Choir Practice

Wednesday 5th 10.00am Church open for private

prayer

Thursday 6th 9.30am Midweek Eucharist

(followed by tea & coffee)

1.30pm Chatterbox

Sunday 9th December - 2nd Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Evening Worship

6.30pm J-Walkers

Advent 1

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The first reading is from the Book of Jeremiah

"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will fulfil the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah. "In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety.

This is the name by which it will be called:

The Lord Our Righteous Saviour."

(Jeremiah 33: 14-16)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 25: 1-10 (Pg. 472)

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke Glory to you, O Lord

He told them this parable: 'Look at the fig-tree and all the trees. When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

'Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

'Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.'

(Luke 21: 29-36)

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you O Christ**

Post Communion Prayer

God our deliverer, awaken our hearts to prepare the way for the advent of your Son; that, with minds purified by the grace of his coming, we may serve you faithfully all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

Eucharist: Malachi 3: 1-4 & Luke 3: 1-6

Reader: John Hodgson **Intercessor:** Mike Jenkins

Welcoming Team: Siu Wan Chan, John & Anne-Marie Hodgson,

Ann James

Coffee: Sui Wan Chan, Angela Foley, Ann Picken

Ministers of Communion: Gerald Bradnum

(Reserve: Angela Foley)

WEEKLY PRAYERS

Sunday: Pray for The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain; for the Parish of Lisvane; for the Church Wardens; for the residents of Caerphilly Road (136-352).

Thursday: Pray for the Church in Kimberley & Kuruman; for the Parish of Roath St Martin; for the Parochial Church Councillors; for the residents of Llandennis Road.

Sunday: Pray for the Church in the Falkland Islands; the Parish of

Fairwater; for the Readers in our Parish; for the residents of Lake Road North.

Please also pray for our partner church, St Denys, Lisvane.

For the prayers for the remaining days of the week please see: www.llandaffchurchinwales.org.uk under Faith Worship & Prayer (the Diocesan Prayer Calendar).

IF YOU FEEL UNABLE TO RECEIVE FROM THE CHALICE, THEN PLEASE RECEIVE THE BREAD ONLY.

NOTICES

EVENING WORSHIP: You are warmly invited to join us at our 6.00pm service this evening.

FUNERAL FOR BILL MAPLESON: The funeral for our dear friend and long-serving member of Christ Church, Bill Mapleson, will be held at 1pm tomorrow, Monday 3 December. All are very warmly invited to join us as we mourn his loss and celebrate his life.

FUNERAL FOR JOHN GRIFFITHS: Our community will feel the loss of John greatly. Our prayers are with Margaret and family at this sad time. We will let you know the funeral arrangements in due course.

THURSDAY 9.30am EUCHARIST: The Eucharist is on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. The upcoming dates are on the **6th & 20th December.** Tea and coffee are available afterwards.

AVIVA VOTES: The results are in and it is with disappointment, but also with great pride as to how well we did, that I announce that we narrowly missed out on making the final of the Aviva Community Fund. In the end, we amassed over 7,000 votes so a huge thank you to everyone who voted, we came very close to being a finalist. Thank you all for the support you gave our bid.

CHRISTMAS MARKET: An Enormous THANK YOU to everyone who contributed, helped and came to this very happy event. At the last count the profit made was in the region of £1,100 but money is still coming in! We will publish the total in the next week or so.

CAROLS & MINCE PIES: Join us for Carols and Mince pies on Friday 14th December at 6.30pm, admission by ticket only, An evening of fun for all ages. Plus a mini Panto, Dick Whittington.

Tickets, adults £5 children £3, are now available and can be obtained from Ann Picken Telephone No 20755550

MESSY CHURCH: Messy Christmas Party on Saturday 15th December from 2-4pm. Come dressed in party clothes/nativity costume.

CHRISTMAS CHOIRS: The junior and senior choirs are combining for the Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 23rd December at 6.00pm. Sue and Julie would like ANYONE to sing in that service.

Rehearsals in church:

Tuesdays 6.30 – 8.00pm

come along when you can, even if you cannot stay to the end.

4th December – adults and any youth children who can attend.

11th December – full choir rehearsal

18th December – adults and any who can attend.

23rd December – final rehearsal at 3.00pm

Any questions contact Julie Waller on 07790452722 or Sue Hurrell

REV'D TRYSTAN RETURNS: We are delighted that Rev'd Trystan has returned after being off work with his back injury. However, on the orders of his doctors and physiotherapists, he will have a phased return to work. This means from now until Christmas, Rev'd Trystan will only be involved in parts of services, rather than taking whole services. Neither will he be able to take baptisms or funerals. The Pastoral Care Team will cover his visiting. Please understand that he cannot stay standing or sitting for any period of time, so please forgive him if he has to disappear quickly at times, or has to cut conversations short when he speaks to you. Welcome back Rev'd Trystan!

CHRISTMAS – THE STORY: Please to collect your small change for us – 'Pennies From Heaven', we call it.

You'll find the collection jars in the church porch. Please help, don't let 2018 be the last year for 'Christmas – The Story'.

GOLD, FRANKINCENSE & MYRRH: Cards of gold, frankincense, and myrrh in aid of the Christmas Story Nativity in Tabernacle on the Hayes are on sale in the church porch costing £2.00. All the proceeds go to supporting this very worthy cause.

ELECTORAL ROLL: If you consider Christ Church your home church, then we would love to include you on our church members list, known as the Electoral Roll. You can be on the electoral roll whether you attend

services regularly or infrequently. Being on the electoral roll helps show the diocese how well supported Christ Church is. Application forms for inclusion on the Electoral Roll, together with details printed on the back, are available at the entrance to the Church. After you have filled in the form place it in the receptacle provided. David Alexander, Electoral Roll Officer. Any questions about the Electoral Roll, please speak to David, Revd Trystan, or Revd Jordan.

GOOD COMPANIONS – DRIVERS NEEDED: The Good Companions group is in need of additional drivers for 2pm and/or 4pm. Offers for help on a weekly, fortnightly, or monthly basis would be sincerely appreciated. Please contact Val for more information: 02920 747021.

UNWANTED TOILETRIES: The Good Companions are collecting any unwanted toiletries; these will be offered to emergency patients at the Heath Hospital who often have no personal items or money with them when they are admitted. Should anyone have any unopened toiletries which they would be happy to donate, please pass them on to Val (02920 747021).

YOUR CHOIR NEEDS YOU: We have vacancies for all voice parts: soprano, alto, tenor and bass. Please talk to Julie Waller (07790 452722) or turn up to join us at Tuesday evening rehearsals 6.30pm- 8pm where you will receive a warm welcome. I'd be delighted to welcome junior members at 6.00 to 6.30pm. Come and chat with me if you want to learn more it will be an introduction to choral music.

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER: Please note that in future the church will be open for private prayer on the **first Wednesday** of each month, 10am to 12 noon. The next date will be December 6th.

COLLECTION: If you prefer to give a weekly cash contribution during the various services, and you are a UK Tax payer, then there are envelopes in the pews to enable us to reclaim tax. Please do use an envelope, as, at the moment, this equates to an extra 25p for each £1 you give.

NEW HALL PROJECT TARGET £100,000

Our Planning Application has been submitted. We are getting closer to the long held dream of a NEW HALL so we need to redouble our fund raising efforts to make it a reality.

SOME OF THE IDEAS BELOW ARE ALREADY BEING UNDERTAKEN BUT ALL NEED YOUR SUPPORT

CHRIST CHURCH CALENDAR 2019: These will be on sale for £6 in the Church Hall following today's service to raise funds for the hall. They make a great gift for Christmas! See Gill Barker.

OLD POUND COINS: We are collecting old pound coins for the Church Hall Appeal. If anyone has some please put them in the box in the entrance or into the collection bags. THANKS Linda Alexander

CAKE MAKING - cakes always sell!

MUSIC CONCERTS

SCRAP GOLD: Shirley Davies is still collecting scrap gold - broken chains, odd earrings and similar. Any gold item you no longer want can be added to the pile, which has already raised over £575! Please continue to support.

FRESH VEGETABLES: varied allotment produce and homemade preserves etc often available after the 10 am Sunday service in the Church Hall. Claire and Val.

JAM JARS – many thanks to all those who supply me with jam jars. I have a surplus of larger ones at present but will always welcome **small jam jars, 227g/8oz size and under.** Claire Edwards

GREETING CARDS: for birthday and special occasions - available in the Church Hall after the 10am service, in the Church Porch and often on Tuesday afternoons at Good Companions. Funds will support the New Church Hall project at Christ Church. Contact Shirley Davies if more information needed.

CROSS IN MY POCKET: These handmade embroidered crosses are ideal to keep in your phone case/purse/wallet or would make ideal gifts to pop in a birthday card. There is a plentiful supply in the church porch in all the colours of the rainbow: a donation of £1 will go towards the hall. Many thanks.

If anyone has any ideas, however big or small, to raise money for the exciting New Hall project, please share them! Thank you all for your continued support.

Notices for the Newsletter should be given to Denise Searle, tel. 029 20763151; Email info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk or left in the

church letter box. Deadline is Wednesday morning

In the event of an EMERGENCY please leave by the nearest exit and assemble by the walled garden at the front of the car park.



Jesus said: 'I was a stranger and you welcomed me'. Please help us help them.



For more information contact Fr Phelim O'Hare - phelimohare@gmail.com or 029 2241 1229 or just come along to the information evening. We desperately need your help.



CHRIST CHURCH HAS BOTH FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

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www.facebook.com/christchurchcardiff

www.twitter.com/ChristChCardiff

PARISH INFORMATION

Vicar: Revd Trystan Hughes Tel: 029 20758588

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<u>ConneXion Groups (*-coordinators)</u> <u>ConneXion groups meet once a month</u>

Our ConneXion Groups meet once-a-month to discuss, socialise, learn, and have fun. Interested in joining one of them? Please do talk to Revd Trystan or email him on trystanhughes@churchinwales.org.uk

Group 1 (daytime)

Val Jones*
Isabel Santore
Glenys Nettleton
Audrey Lewis
Margaret Griffiths
George Cable
Nadia Bunston
Liz Reid
Carol Rudram

Group 2 (evening)

Haydn and Jill Hopkins *
Julie Waller
Jane Song
Claire Edwards
John and Margaret Griffiths
Julia Matthews
Hannah Burch
Mary Payne
Jane Roberts
Gwilym Roberts
Hilary Chiles
Rev'd Jordan Hillebert
Andrew Wade

If you would like to join a group, please do let Revd Trystan know.

Group 3 (evening)

Linda Alexander *
David Alexander
Chris Vokes
Derek Burston
Elizabeth Burston
Siu Chan
Gill Barker
Clare Dow
Sally Lewis
Sylvia McCarty
Kate Thomas

Group 4 (evening)

Trystan & Sandra Hughes *
Emma Breraton
Sarah Goldsmith
James & Ingrid Preston
Anna & Paul Mortimore
Hannah Burch
Alex Kinsey & Ethan James
Justin and Coral Freeman
Fernanda Gray
Rebekka Jones
Andy Taylor

Group 5 (evening)

Sue Hurrell *
Emma Laing
Sandra Hughes
Ruth Payne
Justine Ryland
Jo Jefford
Michele Browne
Jane Roberts
Flora Samuel
Jenny Wigley

PRAYERS & VISITING

PRAYER LIST: from now on names will only appear on the list for one month and will then be removed, unless you let the vicar or wardens know otherwise. Please give names of sick or those in need of prayer to Trystan or the wardens, preferably on paper and include your name too.

HOME VISITING: If you, or anyone you know, are unable to attend church due to ill health or an accident, please do let us know. If you would like one of our Pastoral Visiting team to call for a chat, to help, or to give Home Communion, we will arrange it. Please contact Gerald Bradnum on 029 20 751177 or gbradnum@gmail.com

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Name:
Telephone:
(Please tick appropriately and hand to a Welcome Team member or the Clergy)
□ I would like to receive a pastoral visit.□ I would like to receive Communion at home.□ I would like to be prayed for by the Prayer Team.
What is your prayer request? (optional)

Children's Colouring Page

