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

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 9th December 2018

<u>Sunday 9th December – 2nd Sunday of Advent</u>

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Evening Worship

6.30pm J-Walkers

2.00pm Good Companions
6.30pm Full Choir rehearsal
(Youth & Senior)
1.30pm Chatterbox
6.30pm Carols & Mince Pies
2.00pm Messy Christmas Party

Sunday 16th December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Evening Worship

6.30pm J-Walkers

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Advent 2

Collect

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
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 Malachi

'I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come,' says the Lord Almighty.

But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the Lord, as in days gone by, as in former years.

(Malachi 3: 1-4)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Canticle: Benedictus (Luke 1. 68-79) (Bible Pg.1037)

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

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar – when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Traconitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene – during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet:

'A voice of one calling in the wilderness,

"Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.

Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low.

The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth.

And all people will see God's salvation."

(Luke 3: 1-6)

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

Post Communion Prayer

Lord,

here you have nourished us with the food of life; through our sharing in this holy sacrament teach us to judge wisely earthly things and to yearn for things heavenly.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

Eucharist: Philippians 4: 4-7 & Luke 3: 7-18

Reader: Flora Ojeda **Intercessor:** Judith Hill

Welcoming Team: David Alexander, Margaret Griffiths, Glenys Nettleton

Coffee: Emma Laing, Justine Ryland **Ministers of Communion:** Angela Foley

(Reserve: Linda Alexander)

WEEKLY PRAYERS

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.

Thursday: Pray for the Church in Kitale, Kenya; the Parish of Pentyrch & Capel Llanillern; for the Intercessors; for the residents of Mountbatten Close.

Sunday: Pray for the Church in Kivu, Rwanda; the Parish of St Fagans & Michaelston-super-Ely; for the Ministers of Communion; for the residents of Beatty Avenue.

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 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 **20th December & 3rd January.** Tea and coffee are available afterwards.

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.

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: The last session of Good Companions is December 18th when will have be having our Christmas lunch from 1pm to 3.30pm. RSVP to Alison by December 9th please. We will resume after Christmas on January 8th.

HELP PLEASE!!: We are in urgent need of more drivers to help with lifts to and/ or from Good Companions on Tuesday afternoons...can you help? At 2pm? 4pm? Occasionally? Weekly? Fortnightly? Monthly? To discuss please speak to Val <u>02920 747021</u> or Alison <u>02920 761277</u>. Thank you.

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 January 2nd.

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.

BRITISH & FOREIGN STAMPS: Donate your used stamps for Goodwill Children's Homes. See Notice in the Church Porch. Give to Claire Edwards or leave marked in an envelope in the Church Porch. It helps if you can leave approx. 1 cm of paper around the stamp. Many thanks.

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

ALLOTMENT PRODUCE & HOMEMADE PRESERVES: Thanks to all those who have supplied fresh produce and homemade preserves this year with thanks to all the buyers! Look out for freshly made Seville marmalade and other variations in the New Year of January 2019! Claire Edwards.

CHRIST CHURCH CALENDAR 2019: These will are on sale for £6 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.

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/Christmas 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.



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

please check them out and "like" and follow them for up to date church information on services and events

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> ConneXion groups meet once a month

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

