

Christ Church News

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Welcome to Christ Church News

A sad good bye this month to Jordan, Krisi and Kiera.

They have been such a big part of our church over the past three years. We shall sorely miss them. We are never ready for goodbyes, even though we know they are coming. Our heartfelt thanks go to this lovely family who have made such a difference to our church by their gifts and talents, love and warmth.

THANK YOU SO MUCH DEAR FRIENDS



We have had another busy month here in Christ Church.

Our **stewardship day** was very well presented by Trystan & Jordan and we look forward to a great response.

The **friendship lunch** provided by the young people was a really lovely surprise and enjoyed by all. Thanks also to the adults who helped. A friendship lunch is something we might do again in the future, as so many in our congregation go home to an empty home, on Sunday after the service.

Some people came out of church on 23rd June to find that the young people were **washing their cars**, showing their love for all of us.... How great was that !

We were nominated for a **Premier Radio award** during the month for our work in the community, and with young people. Some of us went to the ceremony, and even though we're not in the finals it was nice that the work in Christ Church has been noted in the wider world.



We thank you Lord, for your grace.

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Friendship Lunch



Our youth group, J-Walkers, arranged a friendship lunch for anybody in our community - food, fellowship, and fun! They prepared the food, decorated the hall, served the food, put on *people-bingo* & a quiz, and tidied up afterwards. It was a truly wonderful event with all ages having so much fun! A huge DIOLCH to our young people and all the J-Walkers, helpers and leaders



YOU ALL REALLY SHOWED THE LOVE OF CHRIST..... Trystan



SURPRISE CAR WASHING !



LOVE BRITAIN AND IRELAND AWARDS CEREMONY.

Congratulations to Christ Church, Roath Park on our nominations at the prestigious Love Britain and Ireland Awards, in the categories of youth and children's work, inclusion, and reaching out to the disadvantaged.

Thanks to our four representatives – Linda, Val, Justine, and Ruth – who attended the awards evening last week.

Trystan



A word from Jordan to our congregation



It has been an enormous privilege serving the first chapter of my ordained ministry here at Christ Church.

In my role as Tutor at St Padarn's, I have had the opportunity to visit countless churches throughout Wales, and I have been struck over the past three years by

just how unique and wonderful Christ Church truly is.

"You are a wonderfully diverse communityall working together to manifest God's love"

St Paul often speaks of the Church as the body of Christ. *'For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ' (1 Cor. 12:12).*

An apt analogy indeed for the community of Christ Church! You are a wonderfully diverse community of men, women, and children with a variety of skills, passions, backgrounds (even languages!), and experiences all working together to manifest God's love in this community.

.... and a word from Krisi

I wanted to express my own gratitude for the deep love and support that Keira and I have felt from Christ Church.

Your instant welcome and celebration of Keira's birth (especially since we have no family in this country) meant so much to me. Thank you for every smile, hug, and chat. This was a wonderful community to start our ministry and family in. We will miss you. With deep thankfulness,

Krisi

One of the things that has impressed me the most about the ministry of Christ Church is your level of involvement as a congregation.

"Christ Church such an inspiring and transforming place."

Vital ministries like Good Companions, Messy Church, Funky Church and J-Walkers, the pastoral care team, Connexion Groups, and the worship team all depend upon you. It is not primarily the men and women in collars on a Sunday who constitute the ministry of Christ Church (though it has been a joy for me to work with such a gifted team of clergy). It is your creativity, your generosity, your prayers, and your love for this community that makes Christ Church such an inspiring and transforming place.



My ministry will forever be marked by my experiences and the relationships that I have made here at Christ Church. I have learned so much from my time serving alongside each of you, and I look forward to passing along some of those lessons to the candidates for ministry that I train at St Padarn's.

My daily prayer for each of you in the final weeks of my curacy is from St Paul's Letter to the Ephesians: 'I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God' (3:18-19).

Blessings and best wishes,
Jordan



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Music at Christ Church is coordinated by Sue Hurrell & Jane Roberts [Youth choir and main choir rehearse separately once a month: youth choir on Tuesday evenings and main choir after the 10am Sunday service. We'd be delighted to welcome new musicians and choir members.

email : hurrell.sue@gmail.com

Church Society (Talk & Buffet)

As advertised, on various Wednesdays in the Hall. Open to all, family and friends. Contact: Howard Kilvington 02920 317301

Ladies Keep Fit Light exercise. Mondays 7:30pm

Contact: Gill Kilvington 02920 317301

CHILDRENS & YOUTH WORK

Chatterbox Parents & Toddlers – every Thursday
1:30pm – 3:00pm in the hall.

Contact: Ann Francis Tel 029 20751773

FUNKY Church age up to 11 meets each Sunday during the service except for Family service.

Contact: Val Jones Tel: 029 20747021

Sandra Hughes Tel: 029 20758588

Messy Church

Contact: Linda Alexander Tel: 07814759559

Youth Club J Walkers age 11– 18

Sandra Hughes 029 20758588

Child Protection Officer

Contact: Colin Francis Tel: 02920 751773

ConneXion Groups.....

Meet monthly at various times and in various houses. Contact the Parish office for more information.

Good Companions Tuesdays 2:00pm– 4.00pm

Contact: Val Jones, Alison Peters or Julia Matthews

Val Jones Tel: 029 20747021

Alison Peters 029 20761277

Julia Matthews 029 21157213

SCOUTS

Beavers

Thursday 5:30pm

Cubs

Wednesday 6:15pm **Scouts – 84th Cardiff**

Wednesdays 7:30pm

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Rainbows in the church hall

Tuesdays 5:00pm

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