

## Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> December –  
Advent 1

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Advent 1**

**8.00am Holy Eucharist**  
**10.00am Family Service**  
**6.00pm Evening Worship**  
**6.30pm J-Walkers**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>**

**2.00pm Good Companions**  
**9.30am Midweek Eucharist**  
*(followed by tea & coffee)*  
**1.30pm Chatterbox**  
**7.00pm Heath Community**  
**Residents Carol Service**

### **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Advent 2**

**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 Isaiah

This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:  
In the last days  
the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established  
as the highest of the mountains;  
it will be exalted above the hills,  
and all nations will stream to it.  
Many peoples will come and say,  
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the temple of the God of Jacob.  
He will teach us his ways,  
so that we may walk in his paths.'  
The law will go out from Zion,  
the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.  
He will judge between the nations  
and will settle disputes for many peoples.  
They will beat their swords into ploughshares  
and their spears into pruning hooks.  
Nation will not take up sword against nation,  
nor will they train for war any more.  
Come, descendants of Jacob,  
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

*(Isaiah 2: 1-5)*

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 122 – (pg. 626)**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

‘Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

*(Matthew 24: 36-44)*

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:** Isaiah 11: 1-10 & Matthew 3: 1-12

**Readers:** Rosemary Webb

**Intercessor:** Jane Song

**Welcoming Team:** Gill Hopkins, Justin & Coral Freeman, Seth Ryland

**Coffee:** Hilary & Barry Chiles, Pat & Mike Jenkins

**Ministers of Communion:** Gerald Bradnum

(Reserve: Angela Foley)

**For weekly prayers please**

**see: [www.llandaffchurchinwales.org.uk](http://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:** Please join us at 6.00pm this evening, a Service of Light, led by Siôn Brynach. All welcome.

**LOOK:** to your left – as you face the altar you will see on the Reading Desk, a scrap book telling something of the story of the altar rail KNEELERS. If you like you may speak to Posy Akande about it, or perhaps Derek Burston.

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES:** If any child is interested in taking first communion sessions, so they can receive communion at the altar, please do tell Rev'd Trystan. Children are usually in Years 1 to 3 in Primary School when they undertake these sessions. There are usually three sessions at Sunday lunchtimes (with lunch included) and these will take place early in the New Year.

**STORIES FOR THE SOUL:** This Advent session takes place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. Please let Hannah know if you can make it!

**CAROLS & MINCE PIES:** Join us for Carols & mince pies on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm, admission by ticket only. An evening of fun for all ages plus a mini Panto, Aladdin. Tickets £5 adults, £3 children are now available from Ann Picken, tel 02920 755550.

**CHRISTMAS – THE STORY:** The Christmas Story will be acted and narrated at the Tabernacle Church, The Hayes, Cardiff starting 1<sup>st</sup> December. It is most important to spread the Gospel to children and adults who don't attend a church. This needs funding to keep going each

year, therefore the usual jar will be in the porch for loose change you may wish to donate, every penny helps, and there are a few cards if you would like to give a donation. Many thanks, yours in Christ.

**WELCOMERS ROTA:** A new welcomers rota covering January to April 2020 is now available for collection on the notice board in the church porch. Thank you.

**BLUE COLLECTION BOX:** The blue collection box in the porch is for general Church funds, principally to go towards general upkeep, repairs and maintenance. Recently, amongst other things, the organ needed an overhaul and we sustained water damage caused by a flood in the Sacristy, taking up carpets and blocks, to mitigate the damage caused by a leaking pipe. We are fortunate that run of the mill and some maintenance is carried out by congregation members. Many thanks for supporting this initiative which has already yielded almost £300. Please carry on dropping in your loose change, all coin denominations gratefully accepted. Thank you.

**\*URGENT\*GOOD COMPANIONS:** The Good Companions group urgently needs help with giving two local members lifts home at 4pm on Tuesdays, once a month, starting in January. If any one is able to volunteer please contact 02920 747021 or Alison 02920 761277.

**THURSDAY 9.30am EUCHARIST:** The Eucharist is on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of each month. The upcoming dates are the **5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> December**. Tea and coffee are available afterwards.

**TOILETRIES :** Should anyone have any unopened toiletries which they would be happy to donate, please pass them on to Val (02920 747021). These are currently being collected for the Salvation Army Hostel in Cardiff for the benefit of their residents for which they are extremely grateful.

**THE WARDS ON TV:** Brian Ward is appearing in a programme about hoarders on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 21.00 hours on Channel 5. It's called "Landfill in my living room". Heather Ward who made the banner which featured in last month's Christ Church News, is one of the people featured in "Kirstie's Handmade Christmas". It has already started but Heather is featured on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 1700 hours on Channel 4. She is in the running to be a winner in the craft competition.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

5<sup>th</sup> December – Heath Community residents Carol Service with Cardiff Male Voice Choir

13<sup>th</sup> December – Carols & mince pies with mini Panto, Aladdin

21<sup>st</sup> December – Messy Church, 10.30am

## **NEW HALL PROJECT**

Fund raising for this Project continues so we welcome ideas. Please do your best to support the Allotment produce, home made jams & preserves and the collection of old £1 coins, concerts etc.

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

**ALLOTMENT PRODUCE & HOMEMADE PRESERVES:** Keep a look out for produce/preserves often available after the 10am Sunday service. No more jam jars required for the present.

**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**

**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 into a greetings card. These can be picked up in the church porch: a donation of £1 will go towards the hall. Many thanks.

Please continue to support.

*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](mailto: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.**

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HAS BOTH FACEBOOK AND TWITTER**

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on services and events

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**PARISH INFORMATION**

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**YOU ARE  
Warmly Invited  
TO JOIN US THIS CHRISTMAS**



**CHRIST CHURCH ROATH PARK  
LAKE RD NORTH CF23 5QN**

**Carol Service  
22nd December 6.00pm**

**Christingle Service  
Christmas Eve 4.00pm**

**Midnight Mass  
Christmas Eve 11.00pm**

**Christmas Communion  
Christmas Day 10.00am**

**THE CHURCH BY THE LAKE**

# Stories for the Soul ~ Advent ~

Slow down, listen, wonder, play...

Join us on the road to Bethlehem

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm**

*Please let Hannah know if you can make it!*



JOIN US FOR  
**Carols & Mince Pies**  
AN EVENING OF CAROLS, DRAMA & POEMS  
WITH MINCE PIES & NON-ALCOHOLIC MULLED WINE  
**Plus Mini Panto  
Aladdin**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm**

At Christ Church Parish Hall, Lake Road North,  
Cardiff CF23 5QN

**Tickets: Adults £5 Children £3**

ADMISSION BY TICKET ONLY

Bookings: (029) 2075 5550

JOIN US FOR A  
**Messy Christmas PARTY-**

**SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER**

**10.30 - 1.00pm**

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**CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT**