

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 4 December 2016

Sunday 4th December – Advent 2

8.00am	HOLY EUCHARIST
10.00am	FAMILY SERVICE
6.00pm	ADVENT SERVICE OF LIGHT

Tuesday 6	10am Church open for prayer 2pm Good Companions, hall
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Thursday 8	1.30pm Chatterbox with a visit from Father Christmas
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Friday 9	6.30pm Carols & mince pies
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Saturday 10	9.30am Parish Prayer Group
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Sunday 11th December – Advent 3

8.00am	HOLY EUCHARIST
10.00am	PARISH EUCHARIST & FUNKY CHURCH
6.00pm	TAIZE SERVICE

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 Isaiah

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him –
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and of might,
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord

Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash round his waist. The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. The infant will play near the cobra's den, and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting-place will be glorious.

(Isaiah 11: 1-2, 5-10)

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 72: 1-7 (Pg 539)

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

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

‘I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way’ – ‘a voice of one calling in the wilderness, “Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.”

And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptised by him in the River Jordan. John wore clothing made of camel’s hair, with a leather belt round his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And this was his message: ‘After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptise you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.’

(Mark 1: 1-8)

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: Isaiah 35: 1-10 & Matthew 11: 2-11

Reader: Mike Jenkins

Intercessor: Margaret Griffiths

Welcoming Team: Claire Edwards, Len Bowker,
Gerald Bradnum, Caryl Roach

Coffee: Claire Edwards, Gerald & Bronwen Bradnum

Ministers of Communion: Linda Alexander (Reserve: Colin Francis)

WEEKLY PRAYERS

Sunday: Pray for the Church in Karnataka Central, South India; for the Deanery of Barry; for the residents of Bettws-Y-Coed Road; for the readers in our parish.

Thursday: Pray for the Church in Kebbi (Kaduna, Nigeria); for the Parish of Penarth, All Saints; for the residents of Llangorse Road; for the Intercessors.

Sunday: Pray for the Church in Kericho (Kenya); for the Parish of Porthkerry & Rhose; for the residents of Bryngwyn Road; for the Ministers of Communion.

For the prayers for the remaining days of the week please see:

www.llandaffchurchinwales.org.uk

**under Faith Worship & Prayer
(the Diocesan Prayer Calendar).**

The full list of parish streets to pray for will be posted on Christ Church's website in the coming weeks.

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

NOTICES

ADVENT SERVICE OF LIGHT: Please do join us this evening for our 6pm evening service where we will be holding an Advent Service of Light. All welcome!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: On the 11th of December there will be a retiring collection to defray the cost of our Christmas flowers. We hope you will be able to give your support as you have done so generously in the past.

CAROLS BY THE LAKE: For the past 4 years we have been meeting to sing carols at the Terra Nova Café by Roath Park Lake, to bring some festive cheer to the people of our

community. Please do join us on Saturday 17th December between 12 noon and 1.30pm at Terra Nova Café for a good Christmas carol sing-a-long!

CHRIST CHURCH CAROL SERVICE: Please do put Sunday 18 December at 6pm in your diaries and join us for our annual carol service.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE AT THE VICARAGE: Sandra, Revd Trystan and their family would like to invite you to join them for a mince pie and a drink this Christmas time. Please do pop in any time between 5pm and 7pm on Thursday 22 December.

GOOD COMPANIONS CHRISTMAS PARTY: Will take place at 2pm on Tuesday 13 December. Please see Norma Ash for more details.

MESSY CHRISTMAS: Our annual Messy Christmas will be held on 19 December between 10.30am and 1pm. Please do invite any families that you know to this event – it includes crafts, stories, singing and lunch! We need volunteers to help during the morning, please get in touch with Linda Alexander for more details. Thank you.

CAROLS AT CARTREF: If you are a parent of a child or young person in Funky Church or J-Walkers, please do put 10.30am on Thursday 22 December in your diary - it would be great if you could join us for this annual event which gives something back to the elderly in our community.

CHRISTINGLE MAKING: On Saturday 24th December at 10am we will be making Christingles in the church hall. All welcome to lend a hand!

TRAVELLING CRIB: The travelling Crib has now been located so would those families who would like to look after it for a week during Advent please add their name to the list in the Porch. After your week please bring it back to Church and hand it on to the family whose name is after yours on the list.

It's last journey will be to Christingle on Christmas Eve, when baby Jesus will be placed in the Crib and presented to Church.

CHRISTMAS THE STORY: If you are in Cardiff city centre make a detour to the Tabernacl Welsh Chapel situated on the Hayes to catch a performance of the Nativity. This runs every day until the 22nd December with performances every 40 mins from 10am. It's open to all with no charge, and you might just get to see some Christ Church congregation members acting parts! We have a collection jar 'Pennies from Heaven' in our porch to raise funds for this event which is run entirely by volunteers.

J-WALKERS: J-Walkers (for young people aged 11-18) will take place during the 10am service every 3rd Sunday each month. Also, they will meet every Sunday evening at 7-8.30pm. Please encourage any young people you know to come along!

CONFIRMATION: Would you like to affirm your faith and your intention to live as a follower of Christ? You can do this whatever your age. Please do let Revd Trystan know if you would like to get confirmed in the New Year, as Bishop David is visiting Christ Church on Sunday 19 March for a confirmation service.

84th CARDIFF (CHRIST CHURCH) SCOUT GROUP: We are very pleased to introduce Chris Davies as our new Beaver Leader. He would welcome people, either weekly or on a rota, for just 1 hour per week to help him organise fun and interesting activities for the children – age 6 & 7. Please do contact Chris on 079 483 99111 or Caryl on 02920 754463. Thank you very much.

PRAYER GROUP: Our parish prayer group now meets on Saturday mornings. We will meet at 9.30am and the prayers will last for no more than 30 minutes. Please do join us to pray for individuals and for the community around our church. All welcome!

CAROLS AND MINCE PIES: Friday 9th December 2016 at 6.30 pm. Tickets £5 adults, £3 children, which are now available from Ann Picken tel 2075 5550.

CREDO MAGAZINE: please remember to collect your magazine from the back of the church. Full of articles and information for December.

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.

THURSDAY 9.30am EUCHARIST: The Eucharist is on 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. There is tea and coffee afterwards. Numbers are growing, so come and join us!

The upcoming dates are: **15th December & 5th January**

CHRISTMAS DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 17 December 12-1.30pm: Carols by the Lake

Sunday 18 December 6pm: Carol Service

Monday 19 December 10.30am-1pm: Messy Christmas

Wednesday 21 December: J-Walkers ice-skating and party

Thursday 22 December 10.30am: Carols at Cartref (with Funky Church & J-Walkers)

Thursday 22 December 5-7pm: Christmas open house at Vicarage (154 Lake Road East)

Saturday 24 December 10.30am: Making christingles (in the hall)

Saturday 24 December 4pm: Christingle and Nativity Saturday

24 December 11pm: Midnight Mass

Sunday 25 December 10am: Christmas Communion

**Notices for the Newsletter should be given to Denise Searle, tel. 029 20763151;
Email info@christchurch.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.

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

Come and join us at your local church to celebrate Christmas and sing carols. A fun and festive way to remember the real meaning of Christmas.

ALL WELCOME!

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES

CAROL SERVICE

6.00^{PM} SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

CHRISTINGLE & NATIVITY

CHRISTMAS EVE 4.00PM

MIDNIGHT MASS

CHRISTMAS EVE 11.00PM

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

CHRISTMAS DAY 10.00AM

ConneXion Groups (*-coordinators)

ConneXion groups meet once a month.

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

Group 1 (daytime)

Val Jones*
Isabel Santore
Peggy Ingamells
Wilf Ingamells
Glenys Nettleton
Norma Ash
Henry Yeomans
Audrey Lewis
Margaret Griffiths
George Cable
Nadia Bunston
David Greenman

Group 2 (evening)

Haydn Hopkins *
Jill Hopkins
Julie Waller
Jane Song
Claire Edwards
John Griffiths
Margaret Griffiths
Julia Matthews
Hannah Burch

Group 3 (evening)

Linda Alexander *
David Alexander
Chris Vokes
Derek Burston
Elizabeth Burston
Colin Francis
Siu Chan
David Greenman
Gill Barker
Clare Dow

Group 4 (evening)

Trystan & Sandra Hughes *
Emma Breraton
Sarah Goldsmith
James & Ingrid Preston
Lianne & Ben Lloyd
Claire & David Parkinson
Anna & Paul Mortimore

Group (evening)

Sue Hurrell *
Emma Laing
Sandra Hughes
Ruth Payne
Justine Ryland
Jo Jefford
Michele Browne

PARISH INFORMATION

Vicar: Revd Trystan Hughes Tel: 029 20758588
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Parish Office: 029 20763151 – open Mon & Weds
9.30am to 12.30pm

Churchwardens: Haydn Hopkins 029 20621280
Colin Francis 029 20751773

Parish Website: www.christchurchcardiff.co.uk
Email: info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk

Our new banner

Our new banner, behind the altar, reminds us that we, at Christ Church, offer our local community:

- the promise and hope of the rainbow
- the light and safety of the lighthouse
- the peace and comfort of the dove
- the love and healing of the cross

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)



**MONDAY 19th DECEMBER
10.30am-1.00pm**

**AT CHRIST CHURCH ROATH PARK, LAKE RD NORTH, CF23 5QN
www.christchurchcardiff.co.uk (029) 2076 3151**

**Coffee & Carols
AT THE TERRA NOVA CAFE
BY ROATH PARK LAKE**

Led by singers from Christ Church Roath Park



**SATURDAY 17th DECEMBER
12.00-1.30pm**

ALL WELCOME

Children's Page to colour

Angel telling Joseph about Jesus

