Newsletter Lake Road North, Cardiff, CF23 5QN

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 12th February 2017

<u>Sunday 12th Feb – 3rd before Lent</u> 8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST 10am PARISH EUCHARIST & FUNKY CHURCH 6pm TAIZE SERVICE 7.00pm J-WALKERS

Monday 13	7.30pm Keep fit, hall
Tuesday 14	2.00pm Good Companions
Wednesday 15	10.00am Parish Prayer Group
Thursday 16	9.30am Midweek Eucharist <i>(followed by tea and coffee)</i> 10.30am Team meeting 1.30pm Chatterbox

<u>Sunday 19th Feb – 2nd before Lent, Creation Sunday</u> 8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST 10am PARISH EUCHARIST & FUNKY CHURCH 6pm TAIZE SERVICE 7.00pm J-WALKERS

Collect

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The first reading is from the Book of Deuteronomy

See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. For I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them, I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the Lord is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

(Deuteronomy 30: 15-20)

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Psalm 119: 1-8 (Pg.611)

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

'You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, "You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment." But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, "Raca," is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, "You fool!" will be in danger of the fire of hell. 'Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift. 'Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.'You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery." But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell. (Matthew 5: 21-30)

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

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

Eucharist:8am Isaiah 9: 1-7 & John 1: 1-1410am Genesis 9: 8-17 & Matthew 6: 25-34

Reader: John Hodgson

Intercessor: Colin Francis

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

Coffee: Marion Le Beau, June Lloyd

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

WEEKLY PRAYERS

Sunday: Pray for the Church in Lusaka; for the Parish of Gelligaer; for the residents of Glen View; for the Paradise Food Run.

Thursday: Pray for the Church in Madhya Kerala; for the Parish of Pontlottyn & Fochriw & Rhymney; for the residents of Crystal Wood Road; for the Cardiff Food Bank.

Sunday: Pray for the Church in Mahajanga; for the Parish of Ystrad Mynach & Llanbradach; for the residents of Maes-y-Coed Road; for Trystan, our Vicar and his family.

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

LENT TALKS: We are delighted that we are again arranging a series of Lent Talks on Sunday evenings during Lent (from 5 March onwards). The series will be held in conjunction with St Denys Lisvane. We would love you to join us for these sessions, which are sure to be interesting and informative:

Sunday 5 March 6pm at Christ Church, Roath Park: Who was Jesus? (Revd Dr Trystan Hughes)

Sunday 12 March 6pm at St Denys, Lisvane: How does Jesus save? (Revd Dr Jordan Hillebert)

Sunday 19 March 6pm at Christ Church, Roath Park: How does God want me to live? (Revd Chris Burr)

Sunday 26 March 6pm at St Denys, Lisvane: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – Making sense of the Trinity? (Revd Dr Jordan Hillebert)

Sunday 2 April 6pm at Christ Church, Roath Park: What happens in the end? (Revd Chris Burr)

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: This is being held on Friday 3rd March at 2pm a Joint service with Llanishen neighbours at St Brigid's Roman Catholic Church, Crystal Glen. "Am I being unfair to you?" is the theme of this years' service, prepared by Christian women of the Philippines. A time of readings and short reflection during the service will replace the usual speaker's address. All are welcome; light refreshments afterwards.

AN EVENING WITH TONY CAMPOLO: Would you like to join a Christ Church trip to see Tony Campolo (former President Bill Clinton's spiritual adviser) speak on **21st March** at Glenwood Church? Tickets are £6 each. This is a great opportunity to hear an inspirational speaker and is sure to be well attended. So, if you're interested please speak to Rev'd Trystan or to Haydn as soon as possible so that we can reserve places.

ROTAS: Would you like to help out on a Sunday either welcoming or making coffee (or both!)? The duties aren't onerous, you would only be called on for 6 or 8 times in a whole

year. If you would like to be included please let Denise at the office know <u>info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk</u> Thank you.

ELECTORAL ROLL: Whether you regularly worship here at Christ Church or attend infrequently, we would like you to invite you to be on our Electoral Roll. This will let the Diocese know that you see Christ Church as your home church. Please see the Vicar or David Alexander for more details.

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER: Please note that in future the church will be open for private prayer on the **1**st **Wednesday** of each month (formerly Tuesday), 10am to 12 noon. The next date will be the 1st March. This will not affect the weekly Parish Prayer Group meeting (see separate notice).

FAIR TRADE: Can you help with setting up and manning the Fair Trade stall, which is in the church once every month? We need help, for this important venture to continue. If you can offer your help in any way, please speak to Nick and Penny Goss or to Trystan, our vicar.

CONNEXION GROUPS: Our ConneXion Groups meet once-amonth to discuss, socialise, learn, and have fun. Interested in joining one of them? Please do talk to Revd Trystan or email him on <u>trystanhughes@churchinwales.org.uk</u>

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING: This year's Annual Vestry Meeting will take place on Sunday 9th April at 6pm. Prior to this the annual report has to be complied. If you or your group contribute please could you let Denise have your reports (by email if possible) by the 12th March at the very latest. The reports should cover the period ending 31st December 2016. Thank you.

GOOD COMPANIONS DRIVERS: Many members of Christ Church attend Good Companions on a weekly basis, relying on transport kindly provided by fellow parishioners. The current rota is planned on a four-weekly basis with pairs of drivers sharing the giving of lifts to 2 or 3 people from local addresses at 2pm and then home at 4pm. We would welcome any offers to join the drivers' rota, especially as two of the team are due to move away from Christchurch in the next couple of months. Please see Val Jones, Alison Peters, or Julia Matthews, or email Val on vjjones2000@yahoo.co.uk

GOOD COMPANIONS ON TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY: As a change to recent practice, the Good Companions group is to meet during half term. As many church families will be at home for that week we would like to invite everyone from the parish to join us for a relaxed chat and refreshments - any and all ages will be very welcome any time between 2pm and 4pm in the hall. For more details, please see Val Jones, Alison Peters, or Julia Matthews, or email Val on vjjones2000@yahoo.co.uk

'TOUGH TALK': Explore in the **Lent Discussion Groups of Llanishen Churches Together** some of the hard sayings of Jesus, those that much puzzle or challenge many of us. Group meetings commence in **week beginning 27th February**. They enable people from different local churches, and any others interested, to discuss informally in homes. Anyone may join, and no special knowledge is needed -a good opportunity to meet new people and explore faith. Pick up a leaflet and Application Form in the porch **now**, and choose your preferred day/s of week and time/s of day. Completed applications are please either to be passed to Gerald Bradnum (tel. 2075 1177) **by Sunday 12th February** or posted direct to Ian Thomas (tel. 2075 4255) at his address shown in the forms **by Tuesday 14th February**.

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.

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!

GOOD COMPANIONS: If you know someone who would welcome some companionship and conversation please encourage them to come along to our Good Companions group who meet every Tuesday at 2pm in the hall.

PRAYER GROUP: The Prayer Group meets at 10am every Wednesday in The Lady Chapel. Our meetings involve prayers for individuals and for our local community, to which all are welcome.

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

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: **16th February & 2nd March**

ENERGIZE RADIO: To read the latest blogs from Chris Ward "Making Jam & All About Me, Chris", visit the website of Energize Radio on <u>www.energizeradio.co.uk</u>

Notices for the Newsletter should be given to Denise Searle, tel. 029 20763151; Email <u>info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk</u> 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 <u>www.facebook.com/christchurchcardiff</u> www.twitter.com/ChristChCardiff

PARISH INFORMATION

Vicar: Revd Trystan Hughes Tel: 029 20758588 Mob for emergencies: 07976523634 trystanhughes@churchinwales.org.uk

Curate: Revd Jordan Hillebert Tel: 079 36288330 Jordan.hillebert@stpadarns.ac.uk

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.ukEmail: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

A prayer as we await a new bishop to be appointed

Almighty God, giver of every good gift, look graciously on your Church, and with your heavenly wisdom so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor to feed your flock and lead us in the way of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. **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 Claire & David Parkinson Anna & Paul Mortimore Hannah Burch Alex Kinsey Justin and Coral Freeman

Group (evening)

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

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 <u>gbradnum@gmail.com</u>

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Name:

Telephone:....

(Please tick appropriately and hand to a Welcome Team member or the Clergy)

- \Box I would like to receive a pastoral visit.
- \Box I would like to receive Communion at home.
- \Box I would like to be prayed for by the Prayer Team.

What is your prayer request? (optional)

Children's Colouring Page The Parable of Lazarus and the rich man

