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

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 12th March 2017

Sunday 12th March - 2nd Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10am Parish Eucharist & Funky Church

6.00pm Lent Talk at St Denys: How does Jesus save?

7.00pm J Walkers

Monday 13 7.30pm Keep fit, hall

Tuesday 14 2.00pm Good Companions

7.00pm Cardiff Deanery

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Wednesday 15 10.00am Parish Prayer Group

Thursday 16 9.30am Midweek Eucharist

(followed by tea & coffee)

1.30pm Chatterbox

Sunday 19th March - 3rd Sunday of Lent

10am Confirmation Eucharist & Funky Church

6.00pm Lent Talk at Christ Church: How does God

want me to live?

7.00pm J Walkers

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2nd Sunday of Lent

Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant that all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christos religion, may reject those things that are contrary to their baptism, and follow in the way of 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 Genesis

The Lord had said to Abram, £o from your country, your peopleand your fathers household to the land I will show you. £ will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.q So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran.

(Genesis 12: 1-4)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 121 (*Pg.625*)

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

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if

God were not with him. desus replied, ± very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.9 How can someone be born when they are old?qNicodemus asked. Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mothers womb to be born!qJesus answered, \(\pm\ext{ery truly I tell you, no one}\) can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, ‰ou must be born again.+ The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.qHow can this be?q Nicodemus asked. You are Israels teacher, qsaid Jesus, and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven . the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

(John 3: 1-17)

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

Post Communion Prayer

Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries given us by our Lord Jesus Christ, by which we receive your grace and are assured of your love, now and for ever.

Amen

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

Eucharist: Exodus 17: 1-7 & John 4: 5-26

Reader: Judith Hill

Intercessor: Emma Laing

Welcoming Team: Claire Edwards, Len Bowker, Gerald

Bradnum, Caryl Roach

Coffee: Siu Wan Chan, Angela Foley, Eric Howell, Shirley Davies

Ministers of Communion: Gerald Bradnum

(Reserve: Angela Foley)

WEEKLY PRAYERS

Sunday: Pray for the Church in MasenoLfor the Parish of Cardiff, Dewi SantLfor the residents of St Dennis RoadLfor the Intercessors.

Thursday: Pray for the Church in Matlosane, South AfricaLfor the Parish of Grangetown, St Paul w St Dyfrig & St SamsonLfor the residents of St Gildas RoadLfor the Ministers of Communion. **Sunday:** Pray for the Church in Mbale, UgandaLfor our Parish Christ Church, Roath ParkLfor the residents of St Isan RoadLfor the Welcomers.

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

WELCOME: Our vicar Revd Trystan is away this morning – preaching at St Denys, as part of our Covenant agreement. We welcome Revd Sally Davies again and thank her for coming to officiate.

IMPORTANT - CONFIRMATION SERVICE NEXT WEEK:

Please do remember that we are welcoming Bishop David next week, who will confirm eight of our young people and three of our adults. It would be great if as many people as possible could come to this celebration to show your support for those who are taking this step in their faith journey. Please note that there will be no 8am service next Sunday, as we are all coming together for the confirmation service at 10am.

LENT TALKS – FAITH IN A NUTSHELL: 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:

This evening 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)

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 info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk Thank you.

AN EVENING WITH TONY CAMPOLO: There is a Christ Church trip to see an inspirational speaker – Tony Campolo (former President Bill Clinton's spiritual adviser). The talk takes place at 7.30pm on **21 March** at Glenwood Church. We have already booked our tickets, but, if you missed letting us know that you would like to come, please speak to Rev'd Trystan or to Haydn as soon as possible.

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, 10am to 12 noon. The next date will be the 5 April. 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 trystanhughes@churchinwales.org.uk

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING-REPORTS NOW DUE PLEASE:

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

SUMMER DRIVERS FOR GOOD COMPANIONS: Heartfelt thanks to those members of Christ Church who have volunteered to help with driving on Tuesdays. From May to mid-July we are still in need of one extra driver for 2pm collections (once a month), and one or two extra drivers for 4pm home trips (once a month). If anyone could help with this please speak to Alison Peters, Julia Matthews or Val on vjjones2000@yahoo.co.uk or phone 02920 747021.

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 March.

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 March & 7th April.

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.

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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9.30am to 12.30pm

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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

ConneXion Groups (*-coordinators)

ConneXion groups meet once a month.

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 and Jill Hopkins *

Julie Waller

Jane Song

Claire Edwards

John and Margaret Griffiths

Julia Matthews

Mark Hamber

Hannah Burch

Mary Payne

Jane Hexter

Gwilym Roberts

Hilary Chiles

Rev'd Jordan Hillebert

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

Fernanda Grav

Group (evening)

Sue Hurrell *

Emma Laing

Sandra Hughes

Ruth Payne

Justine Ryland

Jo Jefford

Michele Browne

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

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

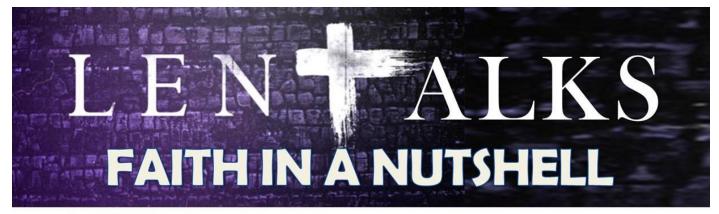
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| Name: |
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| (Please tick appropriately and hand to a Welcome Team member or the Clergy) |
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Ä I would like to receive a pastoral visit.

Ä I would like to receive Communion at home.

Ä I would like to be prayed for by the Prayer Team.

What is your prayer request? (optional)



Sunday 5th March 6pm

At Christ Church Roath Park
Who was Jesus? (Revd Dr Trystan Hughes)

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Children's Colouring Page The Parable of the Sower, rocky ground

