

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 17th December 2017

The Third Sunday of Advent

**Sunday 17th December –
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8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Christ Church Carol Service

Monday 18

9.00am Cardiff High Visit

Tuesday 19

**1.00pm Good Companions
Christmas Party**

Thursday 21

**9.30am Mid-week Eucharist
(*followed by tea and coffee*)**

Friday 22

**10.15am Carols at Cartref with
the youth and children**

Sunday 24th December – The Fourth Sunday of Advent

10.00am Said Communion

10.45am Making the Christingles

4.00pm Christingle

11.00pm Midnight Mass

Advent 3

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your messenger
to prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient
to the wisdom of the just,
that at your second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The first reading is from the Book of Thessalonians

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Do not quench the Spirit. Do not treat prophecies with
contempt but test them all; hold on to what is good, reject every
kind of evil.

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and
through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless
at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is
faithful, and he will do it.

(1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24)

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 126 (Pg.628)

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to John

Glory to you, O Lord

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light. Now this was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, **I** am not the Messiah. They asked him, **Then** who are you? Are you Elijah? He said, **I** am not. **Are** you the Prophet? He answered, **No**. Finally they said, **Who** are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself? John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, **I** am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, **M**ake straight the way for the Lord. Now the Pharisees who had been sent questioned him, **Why** then do you baptise if you are not the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet? **I** baptise with water, John replied, **b**ut among you stands one you do not know. He is the one who comes after me, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. This all happened at Bethany on the other side of the Jordan, where John was baptising.

(John 1: 6-8, 19-28)

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

Post Communion Prayer

God of mercy and power, whose Son rules over all,
grant us so to live in obedience to your holy will,
that at his appearing
we may be raised to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

Christmas Eve 10.00am

Eucharist: Romans 16: 25-27 & Luke 1: 26-38

Reader: Judith Hill

Intercessor: Justine Ryland

Welcoming Team: David Alexander, Margaret Griffiths, Glenys Nettleton, Isabel Santore

Coffee: Sui Wan Chan, Angela Foley

Ministers of Communion: Howard Kilvington (Reserve: Gerald Bradnum)

Midnight Mass

Eucharist: Isaiah 9: 2-7 & Luke 2: 1-14

Reader: Jane Hexter

Intercessor: Judith Hill

The Nativity of our Lord – Christmas Day

Eucharist: Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7 & Luke 2: 4-14

Reader: Justine Ryland

Intercessor: Emma Laing

WEEKLY PRAYERS

Sunday: Pray for the Church in WyomingLfor the Rectorial Benefice of CantonLfor the Ministers of CommunionLfor the residents of Coed-y-Llyn.

Thursday: Pray for the Church in Yewa, Nigeria: for the Parish of Penarth, All SaintsLfor the WelcomersLfor the residents of Lake View.

Sunday: Pray for the Church in Yola, NigeriaLfor the Parish of Porthkerry & RhooseLfor the Pastoral TeamLfor the residents of Huron Crescent.

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 FEEL UNABLE TO RECEIVE FROM THE CHALICE, THEN PLEASE RECEIVE THE BREAD ONLY.

NOTICES

CHRIST CHURCH CAROL SERVICE: Please do support the Christ Church carol service in candlelight this evening (17th) at 6pm, which will include congregational carols, as well as carols sung by our senior choir and our youth choir. All welcome!

CHRISTMAS SERVICES – SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER: Please note that on Sunday 24 December, as it is Christmas Eve and we have big services at 4pm and 11pm, ***we will not have an 8am service, but will have a joint 8am and 10am shortened service at 10am.*** This will be a said-eucharist.

CHRISTINGLE MAKING – SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER: Helpers needed! We will be meeting in the church hall after the 10am service on 24 December (around 10.45am – during the tea/coffee) to put together the Christingle oranges... please do join us!

CHRISTMAS SERVICES – MONDAY 25 DECEMBER: Please note that on Monday 25 December, as usual on Christmas Day, ***we will not have an 8am service, but will celebrate a joint 8am and 10am Christmas communion at 10am.***

CHRISTMAS SERVICES – SUNDAY 31 DECEMBER: Please note that on Sunday 31 December, as it is New Years Eve, ***we will not have an 6pm service, but both the 8am and 10am eucharists will take place as usual.***

CAROLS AT CARTREF: Children and young people are warmly invited to join us for a Carol Service at Cartref Care Home on Friday 22 December. The service begins at 10:15, but you are welcome to meet at the Vicarage at 10:00, to walk over with Revd Trystan. We recognize that most children will still be in school, but those who are off on an INSET day are welcome to join in the festivities. This is a great opportunity for members of Christ Church to give back to our

local community during this Christmas season.

REVD TRYSTAN'S NEW BOOK: If you could not get to the book launch of *Living the Prayer: The Everyday Challenge of the Lord's Prayer*, but would like to purchase a book or two (they make great Christmas presents!), then we are keeping to the special launch prices until Christmas – discounted from £7.99 to £6 and reduced further to £10 for two copies. Please speak to Claire Edwards ced45@btinternet.com or Haydn Hopkins, our warden, if you would like to buy copies.

QUIZ EVENING: This takes place at The Discovery Inn on Thursday 11th January 2018 at 7pm with Quiz Master Owen Pryce. Tickets at £10, which includes the cost of a Fish and Chip Supper, are available from Ann Picken.

VIOLA CONCERT: The Christ Church Society are hosting a concert performance by the Absolute Viola Quartet on the 7th February. The programme will be in two 40 minute parts, commencing at 7.30pm with an interval for the usual Society buffet and refreshments. Ticket price £10. All proceeds in support of the new hall fund.

GALA DINNER: We will be holding a special fund-raising dinner, with entertainment by local band Graffiti, at Cardiff Golf Club on the evening of Saturday 3 March. Tickets will be on sale in the New Year – please do put this date in your diary!

SABBATICAL: We are delighted for Revd Trystan who has been awarded a three-month sabbatical break for writing and retreat. He will be away for April, May, and June 2018.

GOOD COMPANIONS – DRIVERS NEEDED: The Good Companions group is in need of additional drivers for 2pm and/or 4pm. Offers for help on a weekly, fortnightly, or monthly basis would be sincerely appreciated. Please contact Val for more information: 02920 747021.

YOUR CHOIR NEEDS YOU: We have vacancies for all voice parts: soprano, alto, tenor and bass. Please talk to Julie Waller (07790 452722) or turn up to join us at Thursday evening rehearsals 6.30pm- 8pm where you will receive a warm welcome.

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: **21st December & 4th January**

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER: Please note that in future the church will be open for private prayer on the **first Wednesday** of each month, 10am to 12 noon. The next date will be the 3rd January.

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 Revd Trystan.

CREDO MAGAZINE: please remember to collect your final Credo magazine from the back of the church. Full of articles and information for December and January 2018.

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

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.

NEW HALL PROJECT TARGET £100,000

Our Planning Application has been submitted. We are getting closer to the long held dream of a NEW HALL so we need to redouble our fund raising efforts to make it a reality.

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

APRONS & BAGS - Jill Barker is selling these, also Chris Stacey.

COOKBOOK - Julie Waller is compiling this.

OFFER OF TALENTS - 2 MEMBERS OF CHRISTCHURCH have undertaken this could you?

CAKE MAKING - cakes always sell.

MUSIC CONCERTS Could you organise one in the church or elsewhere?

SCRAP GOLD - Shirley Davies has already raised £77 and continues to collect.

CHRISTMAS CHUTNEY, JAM & MARMALADE: Claire Edwards has a supply of these to top your festive food off!

FUNDRAISING FUN RUNS, ½ MARATHONS - Could you do a run for the new hall fund?

JIGSAW - This has raised just over £500 Can you think of another innovative way to raise money?

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

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9.30am to 12.30pm**

**Churchwardens: Haydn Hopkins 029 20621280
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**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.

Group 1 (daytime)

Val Jones*
Isabel Santore
Peggy Ingamells
Wilf Ingamells
Glenys Nettleton
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

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

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
Anna & Paul Mortimore
Hannah Burch
Alex Kinsey
Justin and Coral Freeman
Fernanda Gray
Rebekka Jones

Group (evening)

Sue Hurrell *
Emma Laing
Sandra Hughes
Ruth Payne
Justine Ryland
Jo Jefford
Michele Browne
Jane Hexter
Flora Samuel

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)

Children's Colouring Page

