

## Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December –3rd Sunday of Advent**

**8.00am Holy Eucharist**

**10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers**

**6.00pm Evening Worship**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Cardiff High School visit**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>**

**1.00pm Good Companions**

**Christmas Lunch (*see pg 6.*)**

**6.30pm Choir rehearsal (*Adults & any who can attend*)**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Cardiff High School visit**

**12.00noon The Funeral of the  
Late John Griffiths**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>**

**9.30am Midweek Eucharist  
(*followed by tea & coffee*)**

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Advent 4**

**8.00am Holy Eucharist**

**10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers**

**6.00pm Carol Service**

## **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 Philipians**

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

*(Philippians 4: 4-7)*

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

**Canticle: Psalm 146: 5-10**

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

John said to the crowds coming out to be baptised by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in

keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, “We have Abraham as our father.” For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The axe has been laid to the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.’

‘What should we do then?’ the crowd asked.

John answered, ‘Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same.’

Even tax collectors came to be baptised. ‘Teacher,’ they asked, ‘what should we do?’

‘Don’t collect any more than you are required to,’ he told them.

Then some soldiers asked him, ‘And what should we do?’

He replied, ‘Don’t extort money and don’t accuse people falsely – be content with your pay.’

The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. John answered them all, ‘I baptise you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.’ And with many other words John exhorted the people and proclaimed the good news to them.

*(Luke 3: 7-18)*

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**

**Eucharist:** Micah 5: 2-4 & Luke 1: 39-45

**Reader:** Jane Song

**Intercessor:** Adrian Wilson

**Welcoming Team:** Chris Langmaid, Malcolm & Mary Rayner, Chris Ward  
**Coffee:** Brian & Chris Ward, Shirley Davies, June Lloyd  
**Ministers of Communion:** Linda Alexander  
(Reserve: Colin Francis)

## WEEKLY PRAYERS

**Sunday:** Pray for the Church in Kivu, Rwanda; the Parish of St Fagans & Michaelston-super-Ely; for the Ministers of Communion; for the residents of Beatty Avenue.

**Thursday:** Pray for the Church in Kondoa, Tanzania; the Deanery of Penarth & Barry; for the Welcomers; for the residents of Lake Road West.

**Sunday:** Pray for the Church in Kubwa, Nigeria; the Parish of Penarth & Llandough; for Pastoral Team; for the residents of Heath Halt Court.

*Please also pray for our partner church, St Denys, Lisvane.*

**For the prayers for the remaining days of the week please see: [www.llandaffchurcheinwales.org.uk](http://www.llandaffchurcheinwales.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 6pm, JESSE TREE SERVICE:** As we continue preparations to celebrate the birth of Christ, please join us for a reflective service celebrating Jesus' family tree.

**J-WALKERS EVENING YOUTH GROUP:** The J-Walkers will not meet again in the evening until the new year. They will return on Sunday 13 January at 6.30pm. All young people aged 11-18 are very welcome to come along!

**FUNERAL FOR JOHN GRIFFITHS:** The funeral for John Griffiths will be held at Christ Church on **Wednesday 19 December at 12:00**. All are very warmly invited to join us as we mourn the loss and celebrate the life of such a dear friend.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES:** All are warmly invited to join us as we celebrate anew the gift of 'God with us' this Christmas.

- **Carol Service:** Sunday 23 December at 6:00pm.
- **Christingle & Nativity Service:** Christmas Eve at 4:00pm.
- **Midnight Mass:** Christmas Eve at 11:00pm.
- **Christmas Communion:** Christmas Day at 10:00am.

**THANK YOU:** Roger & Jenny Mapleson have expressed their sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed and attended the funeral service for their late father, Bill and also to everyone who helped with the refreshments in the Church hall afterwards.

**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 on the **20<sup>th</sup> December & 3<sup>rd</sup> January.** Tea and coffee are available afterwards.

**CHRISTMAS CHOIRS:** The junior and senior choirs are combining for the Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 6.00pm. Sue and Julie would like ANYONE to sing in that service.

**Rehearsals in church:**

Tuesdays 6.30 – 8.00pm

come along when you can, even if you cannot stay to the end.

18<sup>th</sup> December – adults and any who can attend.

23<sup>rd</sup> December – final rehearsal at 3.00pm

Any questions contact Julie Waller on 07790452722 or Sue Hurrell

**REV'D TRYSTAN RETURNS:** We are delighted that Rev'd Trystan has returned after being off work with his back injury. However, on the orders of his doctors and physiotherapists, he will have a phased return to work. This means from now until Christmas, Rev'd Trystan will only be involved in parts of services, rather than taking whole services. Neither will he be able to take baptisms or funerals. The Pastoral Care Team will cover his visiting. Please understand that he cannot stay standing or sitting for any period of time, so please forgive him if he has to disappear quickly at times, or has to cut conversations short when he speaks to you. Welcome back Rev'd Trystan!

**CHRISTMAS – THE STORY:** Please to collect your small change for us – 'Pennies From Heaven', we call it.

You'll find the collection jars in the church porch. Please help, don't let 2018 be the last year for 'Christmas – The Story'.

**GOLD, FRANKINCENSE & MYRRH:** Cards of gold, frankincense, and myrrh in aid of the Christmas Story Nativity in Tabernacle on the Hayes

are on sale in the church porch costing £2.00. All the proceeds go to supporting this very worthy cause.

**ELECTORAL ROLL:** If you consider Christ Church your home church, then we would love to include you on our church members list, known as the Electoral Roll. You can be on the electoral roll whether you attend services regularly or infrequently. Being on the electoral roll helps show the diocese how well supported Christ Church is. Application forms for inclusion on the Electoral Roll, together with details printed on the back, are available at the entrance to the Church. After you have filled in the form place it in the receptacle provided. David Alexander, Electoral Roll Officer. Any questions about the Electoral Roll, please speak to David, Revd Trystan, or Revd Jordan.

**GOOD COMPANIONS:** The last session of Good Companions is December 18<sup>th</sup> when we will be having our Christmas lunch from 1pm to 3.30pm. RSVP to Alison by December 9<sup>th</sup> please. We will resume after Christmas on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

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**HELP PLEASE!!!** We are in urgent need of more drivers to help with lifts to and/ or from Good Companions on Tuesday afternoons...can you help? At 2pm? 4pm? Occasionally? Weekly? Fortnightly? Monthly? To discuss please speak to Val [02920 747021](tel:02920747021) or Alison [02920 761277](tel:02920761277). Thank you.

**UNWANTED TOILETRIES:** The Good Companions are collecting any unwanted toiletries; these will be offered to emergency patients at the Heath Hospital who often have no personal items or money with them when they are admitted. Should anyone have any unopened toiletries which they would be happy to donate, please pass them on to Val (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 Tuesday evening rehearsals 6.30pm- 8pm where you will receive a warm welcome. I'd be delighted to welcome junior members at 6.00 to 6.30pm. Come and chat with me if you want to learn more it will be an introduction to choral music.

**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 January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**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.

**BRITISH & FOREIGN STAMPS:** Donate your used stamps for Goodwill Children's Homes. See Notice in the Church Porch. Give to Claire Edwards or leave marked in an envelope in the Church Porch. It helps if you can leave approx. 1 cm of paper around the stamp. Many thanks.

**NEW HALL PROJECT  
TARGET £100,000**

**Our Planning Application has been approved! 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**

**ALLOTMENT PRODUCE & HOMEMADE PRESERVES:** Thanks to all those who have supplied fresh produce and homemade preserves this year with thanks to all the buyers! Look out for freshly made Seville marmalade and other variations in the New Year of January 2019! Claire Edwards.

**CHRIST CHURCH CALENDAR 2019:** These will be on sale for £6 to raise funds for the hall. They make a great gift for Christmas! See Gill Barker.

**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**

**SCRAP GOLD:** Shirley Davies is still collecting scrap gold - broken chains, odd earrings and similar. Any gold item you no longer want can be added to the pile, which has already raised over £575! Please continue to support.

**GREETING CARDS:** for birthday and special occasions - available in the Church Hall after the 10am service, in the Church Porch and often on Tuesday afternoons at Good Companions. Funds will support the New

Church Hall project at Christ Church. Contact Shirley Davies if more information needed.

**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 in a birthday card/Christmas card. There is a plentiful supply in the church porch in all the colours of the rainbow: a donation of £1 will go towards the hall. Many thanks.

*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.**

**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<sup>PM</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

### **CHRISTINGLE & NATIVITY**

**CHRISTMAS EVE 4.00PM**

### **MIDNIGHT MASS**

**CHRISTMAS EVE 11.00PM**

### **CHRISTMAS COMMUNION**

**CHRISTMAS DAY 10.00AM**



**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

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[www.twitter.com/ChristChCardiff](http://www.twitter.com/ChristChCardiff)

**PARISH INFORMATION**

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**ConneXion Groups (\*-coordinators)**  
**ConneXion groups meet once a month**

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@churchinwales.org.uk](mailto:trystanhughes@churchinwales.org.uk)

**Group 1 (daytime)**

Val Jones\*  
Isabel Santore  
Glenys Nettleton  
Audrey Lewis  
Margaret Griffiths  
George Cable  
Nadia Bunston  
Liz Reid  
Carol Rudram

**Group 2 (evening)**

Haydn and Jill Hopkins \*  
Julie Waller  
Jane Song  
Claire Edwards  
Margaret Griffiths  
Julia Matthews  
Hannah Burch  
Mary Payne  
Jane Roberts  
Gwilym Roberts  
Hilary Chiles  
Rev'd Jordan Hillebert  
Andrew Wade

**Group 3 (evening)**

Linda Alexander \*  
David Alexander  
Chris Vokes  
Derek Burston  
Elizabeth Burston  
Siu Chan  
Gill Barker  
Clare Dow  
Sally Lewis  
Sylvia McCarty  
Kate Thomas

**Group 4 (evening)**

Trystan & Sandra Hughes \*  
Emma Breraton  
Sarah Goldsmith  
James & Ingrid Preston  
Anna & Paul Mortimore  
Hannah Burch  
Alex Kinsey & Ethan James  
Justin and Coral Freeman  
Fernanda Gray  
Rebekka Jones  
Andy Taylor

**Group 5 (evening)**

Sue Hurrell \*  
Emma Laing  
Sandra Hughes  
Ruth Payne  
Justine Ryland  
Jo Jefford  
Michele Browne  
Jane Roberts  
Flora Samuel  
Jenny Wigley

***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](mailto: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

## Mary & Joseph travelling to Bethlehem

