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

### **Welcome to Christ Church**

Week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March: The First Sunday of Lent** 

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Lent Talk, a reflection by Revd Dr Jordan

Hillebert on 'Christian Views on War and Peace.'

6:30pm J-Walkers

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> 7.15pm Alpha Course

7.30pm Keep Fit

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm Good Companions** 

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm Chatterbox

7.30pm Stories for the Soul

Sunday 17th March: The Second Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Lent Talk, a reflection by Matt Sellers on 'Does

God speak to us'

6:30pm J-Walkers

#### The First Sunday of Lent

#### Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves
in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
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

When you have entered the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, take some of the firstfruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land that the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name and say to the priest in office at the time, 'I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the Lord your God. Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: 'My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. But the Egyptians ill-treated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labour. Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; and now I bring the firstfruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me.' Place the basket before the Lord your God and bow down before him. Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given to you and your household.

(Deuteronomy 26: 1-11)

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

Psalm 91: 1-11 (*Pg. 571*)

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

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.' Jesus answered, 'It is written: "Man shall not live on bread alone." The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, 'I will give you all their authority and splendour; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. If you worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered, 'It is written: "Worship the Lord your God and serve him only."

The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down from here. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you

to guard you carefully;

they will lift you up in their hands,

so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."

Jesus answered, 'It is said: "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

(Luke 4: 1-13)

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

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

**Eucharist:** Philippians 3: 17-41 & Luke 13: 31-35

**Reader:** Emma Laing Intercessor: Flora Ojeda

Welcoming Team: Chris Langmaid, Malcolm & Mary Rayner, Chris Ward

Coffee: Marjorie & John Walker, Chris & Keith Stacey

Ministers of Communion: Colin Francis

(Reserve: Emma Laing)

#### **WEEKLY PRAYERS**

**Sunday:** Pray for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo; for the Parish of Tonypandy w Clydach Vale & Williamstown; for the readers in our Parish; for the Lady Mary Estate shops.

Thursday: Pray for the Church in Masasi, Tanzania; for the Parish of Rhondda

Fach Uchaf; for the intercessors; for the residents of Maryport Road. **Sunday:** Pray for Church of England; for the Archdeaconry of Llandaff; for the Ministers of Communion; for the residents of Brandreth Road.

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

For the prayers for the remaining days of the week please see: <a href="www.llandaffchurchinwales.org.uk">www.llandaffchurchinwales.org.uk</a> under Faith Worship & Prayer (the Diocesan Prayer Calendar).

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

#### **NOTICES**

**LENT TALK 1 - WAR AND PEACE:** All are welcome. Please join us at 6pm this evening for our first Lent Talk, a reflection by Revd Dr Jordan Hillebert on 'Christian Views on War and Peace.'

**LENT TALK 2** - All are welcome to join us on Sunday 17 March at 6pm for our third Lent Talk, a reflection by Matt Sellers on'Does God speak to us'.

**LENT TALK 3 - CHALLENGE OF PILGRIMAGES:** All are welcome to join us on Sunday **24 March at 6pm** for our third Lent Talk, a reflection by Revd Dr Trystan Owain Hughes on 'The Challenge of Pilgrimages', his 135 pilgrimage and the even bigger challenge on the recurrence of his subsequent back injury. Please do join us for what is sure to be a fascinating reflection.

STORIES FOR THE SOUL: You are warmly invited to nurture your spiritual development through "Stories for the Soul" this Lent. These sessions will offer you a new way of engaging with our sacred stories and immersing yourself in the richness of the Christian storytelling tradition. This is a chance to slow down, listen to a story, wonder about its meaning for your life and respond creatively. There will be five weekly "Stories for the Soul" evenings during Lent, starting this **Thursday 14th March at 7.30pm** at Christchurch. Please let Hannah Burch know if you would like to come, so that she has an idea of numbers.

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:** March monthly newsletter now available in the church porch.

**ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING:** This year's Annual Vestry meeting will be held on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm. This year is a triennium and new persons are required to stand for places on the Deanery Council and the Diocesan Council. We have 4 places to fill on the Deanery council and one on the Diocesan. Judith wishes to stand down on both of these councils after many years service and this is an opportunity for someone else to get involved especially with the diocese 2020 Vision for the Church in Wales. There will also be the usual elections for Peoples Warden and Parochial Church Council members.

CHRISTIAN AID: This is our final plea for a new CA co-ordinator to enable street collections; the work is not onerous, as long as you can count. It usually involves spending about 20 minutes ordering various items through local CA office in Whitchurch, waiting for their arrival and then spending about 2 hours + sorting and counting envelopes into their various streets and adding appropriate accompanying stationery; it then takes about 30 mins to set them out on a table in church and on the Sunday before to looking pleadingly at potential collectors. Once all envelopes have been returned, you will meet up with Lynn Du Feu, charities treasurer to count monies and fill in paperwork, probably 2 hours + depending on how much is collected. If no-one comes forward then we will not participate in the street collection this year, but will have a few events including a 'public' Big Breakfast to raise funds for CA. Please contact Judith Hill for further details or to volunteer. Please contact Judith Hill for further details richforyou@email.com

**ALPHA COURSE:** We are currently running an Alpha Course on Monday evenings at 7.15pm which is open to all, church members or not, believers and non-believers. It's a chance to ask all the questions you've always wanted to ask but were afraid to do so. More information from Linda Alexander, 07814 759559.

**CARDIFF FOODBANK:** continues to thank all Christ Church donors for their generous support, but, because of large current stocks from wide good support, asks that future contributions for a while ahead be confined as much as possible to 3 sorts of food still in rather short supply, i.e. JAM, CUSTARD

and TINNED TOMATOES. Another option is cash, always well applied, either via 'localgiving.org' or through Paypal via e-mail to 'info@cardiff.foodbank.org.uk'. Thank you!

In October to December 2018 Christ Church Roath Park donated 171.9 kg of food, including the Harvest Festival collection, equivalent to 3-day food parcels for 15 people. Thank you to all of those who have contributed food and arranged the collections and deliveries.

**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 or Alison 02920 761277. Thank you.

**HIRING OF CHURCH HALL:** Please note if anyone wants to book the church hall please contact Gill Barker on 02920 747464 in the first instance. Thank you

**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 **21<sup>st</sup> March & 4<sup>th</sup> April.** Tea and coffee are available afterwards.

**REV'D TRYSTAN RETURNS:** We are delighted that Rev'd Trystan has returned after being off work with his back injury. Because of his continuing recovery 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!

**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.

**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).

**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 April 3<sup>rd</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.

## 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:** Thank you to all those supplying me with jam jars – for the present I have plenty of all sizes for any preserves that will be made later in the year. During April I hope there will be some rhubarb from the allotments – depends as ever on the weather!

**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:** Mothering Sunday cards and Easter cards will be available in the hall on Sundays after the 10am service. Look in the Church porch for birthday and other occasion cards or ask Shirley Davies. Funds for the new Christ Church hall.

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 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

Mob for emergencies: 07976523634 <a href="mailto:trystanhughes@churchinwales.org.uk">trystanhughes@churchinwales.org.uk</a>

Curate: Revd Jordan Hillebert Tel: 079 36288330

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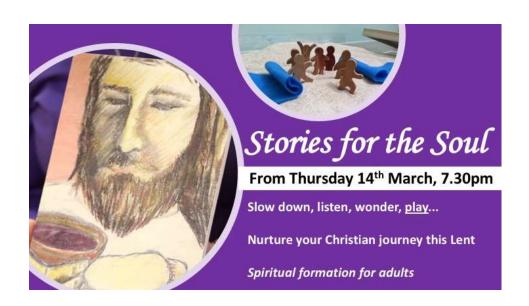
Churchwardens: Haydn Hopkins 029 20621280 or

07970 079797

Colin Francis: 029 20751773

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







#### **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

#### **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

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
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

#### **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 <a href="mailto:gbradnum@gmail.com">gbradnum@gmail.com</a>

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Name:
Telephone:
(Please tick appropriately and hand to a Welcome Team member or the Clergy)
<ul><li>□ I would like to receive a pastoral visit.</li><li>□ I would like to receive Communion at home.</li><li>□ I would like to be prayed for by the Prayer Team.</li></ul>
What is your prayer request? (optional)

### Children's Colouring Page

