

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 15th December –
Advent 3

Sunday 15th December – Advent 3

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Evening Worship

6.30pm J-Walkers

Tuesday 17th

**2.00 – 3.30pm - Good
Companions Christmas Lunch
Party**

Thursday 19th

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

1.30pm Chatterbox

Saturday 21st

10.30am Messy Christmas

Sunday 22nd 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 James

Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near. Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

(James 5: 7-10)

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 146: 5-10 (Pg.647)

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

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

'I will send my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way' –
'a voice of one calling in the wilderness,

“Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.”

And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptised by him in the River Jordan. John wore clothing made of camel’s hair, with a leather belt round his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And this was his message: ‘After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptise you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.’

(Mark 1: 1-8)

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: Isaiah 7: 10-16 & Matthew 1: 18-25

Readers: Jane Roberts

Intercessor: Siôn Brynach

Welcoming Team: Marjorie Walker, Brian Ward

Coffee: Emma Laing, Justine Ryland

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

For weekly prayers please

**see: www.llandaffchurchinwales.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: Please join us at 6.00pm this evening, a Service of Light, led by Sue Hurrell. All welcome.

BAPTISM OF RAHA: We are delighted that our good friend Raha, who has been attending Church for the last few months, has asked to be baptised on her birthday, 22nd December. The Baptism will take place during the 10am service that morning. We would love to see you as Raha commits herself to her faith.

CAROLS AT CARTREF: Children and young people are invited to join us once again to sing carols for the residents of Cartref Care Home. This is always a wonderful and uplifting event which allows the children to give something back to the community at Christmas. We will meet at **10am on Monday 23rd December at the Vicarage (154 Lake Road East).**

CHRISTINGLE MAKING: We'd love some help in making the Christingles on Christmas Eve morning at the Church Hall at 10am. Many thanks.

LOOK: to your left – as you face the altar you will see on the Reading Desk, a scrap book telling something of the story of the altar rail KNEELERS. If you like you may speak to Posy Akande about it, or perhaps Derek Burston.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES: If any child is interested in taking first communion sessions, so they can receive communion at the altar, please do tell Rev'd Trystan. Children are usually in Years 1 to 3 in Primary School when they undertake these sessions. There are usually three sessions at Sunday lunchtimes (with lunch included) and these will take place early in the New Year.

CHRISTMAS – THE STORY: The Christmas Story is being acted and narrated at the Tabernacle Church, The Hayes, Cardiff until the 21st December with a performance every 40 minutes. It is most important to spread the Gospel to children and adults who don't attend a church. This needs funding to keep going each year, therefore the usual jar will be in the porch for loose change you may wish to donate, every penny helps, and there are a few cards if you would like to give a donation. Many thanks, yours in Christ.

BLUE COLLECTION BOX: The blue collection box in the porch is for general Church funds, principally to go towards general upkeep, repairs and maintenance. Recently, amongst other things, we

sustained water damage caused by a flood in the Sacristy, taking up carpets and blocks, to mitigate the damage caused by a leaking pipe. We are fortunate that run of the mill and some maintenance is carried out by congregation members. Many thanks for supporting this initiative which has already yielded almost £300. Please carry on dropping in your loose change, all coin denominations gratefully accepted. Thank you.

***URGENT*GOOD COMPANIONS:** The Good Companions group urgently needs help with giving two local members lifts home at 4pm on Tuesdays, once a month, starting in January. If any one is able to volunteer please contact 02920 747021 or Alison 02920 761277.

THURSDAY 9.30am EUCHARIST: The Eucharist is on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. The upcoming dates are the **19th December & 2nd January.** Tea and coffee are available afterwards.

TOILETRIES :. Should anyone have any unopened toiletries which they would be happy to donate, please pass them on to Val (02920 747021). These are currently being collected for the Salvation Army Hostel in Cardiff for the benefit of their residents for which they are extremely grateful.

NEW HALL PROJECT

Fund raising for this Project continues so we welcome ideas. Please do your best to support the Allotment produce, home made jams & preserves and the collection of old £1 coins, concerts etc.

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

ALLOTMENT PRODUCE & HOMEMADE PRESERVES: Keep a look out for produce/preserves often available after the 10am Sunday service. No more jam jars required for the present.

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

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 into a greetings card. These can be picked up in the church porch: a donation of £1 will go towards the hall. Many thanks.

Please continue to support.

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.

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SATURDAY 21st DECEMBER
10.30 - 1.00pm

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CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

YOU ARE
Warmly Invited
TO JOIN US THIS CHRISTMAS



**CHRIST CHURCH ROATH PARK
LAKE RD NORTH CF23 5QN**

**Carol Service
22nd December 6.00pm**

**Christingle Service
Christmas Eve 4.00pm**

**Midnight Mass
Christmas Eve 11.00pm**

**Christmas Communion
Christmas Day 10.00am**

THE CHURCH BY THE LAKE