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

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 19th January – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday 19th January – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany 8.00am Holy Eucharist 10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers 6.00pm Evening Worship 6.00pm Churches Together Joint Service at St Isan Church, Llanishen 6.30pm J-Walkers

Monday 20 th	7.30pm Keep Fit
Tuesday 21 st	2.00pm Good Companions
	7.00pm Fellowship Meal at
	St Brigid's Church, Crystal Glen
Thursday 23 rd	1.30pm Chatterbox

Sunday 26th January – 3rd Sunday of Epiphany 8.00am Holy Eucharist 10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers 6.00pm Evening Worship 6.30pm J-Walkers

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son 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 Isaiah

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: before I was born the Lord called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name. He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. He said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendour.' But I said, 'I have laboured in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due to me is in the Lord's hand, and my reward is with my God.' And now the Lord says he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honoured in the eyes of the Lord and my God has been my strength he says: 'It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept.

I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.' This is what the Lord says – the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel – to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: 'Kings will see you and stand up, princes will see and bow down, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.' (Isaiah 49: 1-7)

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Psalm 40: 1-11 (*Pg.496*))

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

The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and said, 'Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, "A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me." I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptising with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.' Then John gave this testimony: 'I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptise with water told me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit." I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One.' The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, 'Look, the Lamb of God!' When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning

round, Jesus saw them following and asked, 'What do you want?' They said, 'Rabbi' (which means 'Teacher'), 'where are you staying?' 'Come,' he replied, 'and you will see.'

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, 'We have found the Messiah' (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas' (which, when translated, is Peter). *(John 1: 29-42)*

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

Post Communion Prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

Eucharist: Isaiah 9: 1-4 & Matthew 4: 12-23 Readers: Jane Song Intercessor: Emma Laing Welcoming Team: Chris Langmaid, Malcolm & Mary Rayner, Chris Ward. Coffee: Gill Hopkins, Ann Francis, Alex & Flora Ojeda Ministers of Communion: Colin Francis (Reserve: Emma Laing)

For weekly prayers please see: <u>www.llandaffchurchinwales.org.uk</u> 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 6pm for our Evening Worship service led by Rev'd Ian Rogerson. All welcome!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: United Service today 6pm at St Isan Church, Llanishen. Preacher, Rev'd Aled Edwards, OBE, Chief Executive of Cytun – Churches Together in Wales.

Tuesday – Fellowship meal at St Brigid's Church, Crystal Glen at 7.00pm. See poster in porch and enter name on sign up sheet. Booklets available for home use.

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 this year.

CHRIST CHURCH SOCIETY: The next meeting is on Wednesday 29th January at 7.30pm with a talk "Love and Betrayal Behind Enemy Lines", by Rosemary Chaloner. Subscription, including refreshments and buffet supper, is £5.

COFFEE ROTA: The present coffee rota runs out at the end of March 2020. It would be good to have some new names to add to the next one. It isn't a great commitment – just half an hour or so after the 10am service approximately 5 times a year. If you would be happy to volunteer for this, please let me know during the next few weeks. Elizabeth Burston Tel 20220 754557.

THANK YOU: Thank you to my Christ Church family for all the kind good wishes, calls and prayers offered after my recent fall, thankfully I'm making a good recovery. Ann Picken

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. 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 **6th & 20th February.** Tea and coffee are available afterwards.

TOILETRIES & UNWANTED GIFTS : These items for all ages will be gratefully received throughout the year and stored for the Salvation Army to distribute to those in need (Christmas 2020!) Val (02920747021 or 07587007508).

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.

<u>Dates for your diary</u> The Mobile Library in the car park

Friday 24th Jan. 9.30am - 1pm Wednesday 29th Jan. 2pm - 6pm Monday 3rd Feb. 2pm - 6pm Friday 14th Feb. 9.30am - 1pm Wednesday 19th Feb. 2pm - 6pm Monday 24th Feb. 2pm - 6pm Friday 6th March 9.30am - 1pm

Weekly this term

Mondays 10am to 11am: Story time and Craft in the hall.

Wednesdays 11am to 12 noon: LIFT (Low Impact Functionality Training) in the hall.

Fridays 10am to 11am: Rhymetime in the hall.

Notices for the Newsletter should be given to Denise Searle, tel. 029 20763151; Email <u>info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk</u> 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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PARISH INFORMATION

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