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

Welcome to Christ Church

Week commencing 2nd February – Candlemas

Sunday 2nd February – Candlemas

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Family Service

6.00pm Evening Worship

6.30pm J-Walkers

Monday 3rd Tuesday 4th Thursday 6th 7.30pm Keep Fit 2.00pm Good Companions 9.30am Midweek Eucharist (followed by tea & coffee)

1.30pm Chatterbox

Sunday 9th February -

Third Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist, Funky Church & J-Walkers

6.00pm Evening Worship

6.30pm J-Walkers

Candlemas

Collect

Almighty and everliving God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ 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 Malachi

'I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come,' says the Lord Almighty.

But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the Lord, as in days gone by, as in former years. 'So I will come to put you on trial. I will be quick to testify against sorcerers, adulterers and perjurers, against those who defraud labourers of their wages, who oppress the widows and the fatherless, and deprive the foreigners among you of justice, but do not fear me,' says the Lord Almighty.

(Malachi 3: 1-5)

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Psalm 24: 7-10 (Pg. 472)

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

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

'Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,

you may now dismiss your servant in peace.

For my eyes have seen your salvation,

which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:

a light for revelation to the Gentiles,

and the glory of your people Israel.'

The child's father and mother marvelled at what was said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: 'This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped night and day, fasting and praying. Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

(Luke 2: 25-38)

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

Next Sunday's Readings & Rotas

Eucharist: Isaiah 58. 1-9a & Matthew 5. 13-20

Reader: Fernanda Gray **Intercessor**: Ethan Hall

Welcoming Team: Eric Howell, Isabel Santore **Coffee**: James & Posy Akande, Derek & Liz Burston

Ministers of Communion: Howard Kilvington

(Reserve: Gerald Bradnum)

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 6pm for our Evening Worship, a Compline service led by our ordinand Siôn Brynach. All welcome!

GOOD NEWS: Bishop June has announced that our ordinand Siôn Brynach will become our NSM curate after his ordination in June. We are delighted that the Brynach family will continue to be part of our church community and we look forward to Siôn's continuing ministry with us © Dal ati, Siôn!

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES: These will be starting at the beginning of March. Children are usually in Years 1 to 4 of Primary School when they undertake these sessions (with lunch included) which will commence on the 1st March, 8th March & 15th March, all at 12 noon. The first Communion service will then take place on the 29th March at 10am. Please let Rev'd Trystan know as soon as possible if this is something you are interested in.

COFFEE MORNING: Come and join us in the hall on the 29th February at 10am for a coffee morning/bring & buy sale plus loads more, in aid of the new hall project. Tickets £2 available from Shirley.

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.

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

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.

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).

28 BUS SERVICE MEETING: A meeting will take place in the church at 7pm on Tuesday 11th February to discuss action to restore the direct 28 bus service via Mackintosh Place to the City Centre and the 54 bus service via Lakeside and Albany Road. The changes have reduced the frequency from the Lakeside, Roath Park, Upper Cathays and Heath Park to ½ hourly. The meeting will be attended by local Councillors Molik and Hopkins. For details contact Howard Kilvington

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.

Dates for your diary The Mobile Library in the car park

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: Rhymetime in the hall.

Fridays 2.15pm:weekly children's session of stories, songs and craft in the hall.

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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