

Christ Church with St Philip Worcester Park

Sunday 3rd December 2017

8.00am	Eucharist		Paul
	1 st Reading	Isaiah 64:1-9	
	Gospel Reading	Mark 13:24-end	
10:00am	All Age Worship (1st Sunday in Advent) and Gift Service		Steph
	1 st Reading	Isaiah 64:1-9	
	2 nd Reading	Corinthians 1:3-9	
	Gospel Reading	Mark 13:24-end	
	Hymns	O come, O come Emmanuel Purify my heart Hills of the North rejoice Lo He comes with clouds descending	
4.00pm	Service of Admission to Holy Communion		Paul and Steph
	1 st Reading	Isaiah 64:1-9	
	Gospel Reading	Mark 13:24-end	
	Hymns	Make way, make way, for Christ the King (StF 264) One more step along the world I go (StF 476) Lord Jesus Christ (StF 594) Long ago, prophets knew (StF 178)	

Useful Information

- Children are especially welcome! Please make use of the activity bags near the Welcome Area entrance to the church. There are also toys and books at the back of church.
- Young Church is held in our halls whilst the 10.00am service is in progress: Busy Beans, 0-4 year olds, in Room 2; Buddies, 4-7 year olds, in St Philip Hall and The Hub, 7-11 year olds, in Room 1. Please come and join us.
- Large print service/hymn books are available from the door stewards.
- There are toilets in the halls complex, with baby changing facilities and a disabled access toilet (through the double doors beside the Servery).
- Pink Gift Aid envelopes are available at the front of church, and on the windowsills, for occasional donations and gifts by visitors.
- Tea, coffee and refreshments are available after the 10am service – please come and join us!

Next Sunday

December 10th, 2017

8.00am	Holy Communion	Paul
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4.00pm	Carols Amongst the Trees	Steph

News and information

What's on this week?

Monday 4th December		
	NO Morning Prayer	
Tuesday 5th December		
9.15am – 9.45am	Morning Prayer for Advent	Lady Chapel
9.00 – 11am	Welcome Café	Welcome Area
12 Noon	Midweek Communion	Church
12.45pm	Light Lunch	Welcome Area
2.00pm	Toddling2Church (T2C)	Room 2 & Church
Wednesday 6th December		
9.15am	Morning Prayer	Lady Chapel
10.30 – 12 noon	Welcome Café	Welcome Area
Thursday 7th December		
10.00 -12 noon	Welcome Café	Welcome Area
Friday 8th December		
12.30 – 8.30pm	Christmas Tree Festival	Church
Saturday 9th December		
11.30 – 6.00pm	Christmas Tree Festival	Church
1.30 – 4.30pm	Christmas Craft Fair	Halls and Welcome Area
Sunday 10th December		
12.00 – 4.00pm	Christmas Tree Festival	Church

To view all the groups and activities happening on our premises see the weekly schedule on the Church Office door

Dates for your Diary

Friday 8th December to Sunday 10th December	Christmas Tree Festival
Saturday 9th December: 1.30pm to 4.30pm	Christmas Fair
<i>Christmas Services</i>	
Sunday 17th December: 5.00pm	Carols and Christingles (with refreshments served from 4pm and afterwards).
Tuesday 19th December: 7.30pm	Blue Christmas Service (for those struggling at Christmas time).
Christmas Eve: 4.00pm	Crib Service
8.00pm	Carols by Candlelight
11.30pm	Midnight Communion
Christmas Day: 10am	Holy Communion

Notices

December baptism anniversaries: Charlie Page.

Children preparing to receive communion: Please keep in your prayers Nathan Amankwah, Isaac Oliveira, and Lexi Hamilton-Warford. They will be admitted to communion on Sunday 3rd December at 4pm, and it would be wonderful if members of our church family could come along and support them. Please note, there is no evening service that evening.

Advent Morning Prayer: Each Tuesday in Advent (5th/12th/19th), there'll be an extended Morning Prayer, with an Advent reflection, from 9.15-9.45am. All are welcome to any or all of these, even (and especially) if you haven't been before.

Late night shopping event in Worcester Park on Friday 8th December: Could you help give out hot chocolate and flyers, or join in with some carol singing? Let Paul or Steph know if you can come and keep us company.

Christmas Tree Festival – Church Family Tree: We would like to have a Christmas Tree decorated with photos of our church family here at Christ Church with St Philip in this year's festival. Please let us have a passport-size photo (or cut faces from an ordinary photo you have) which we will then make a bauble –size frame for, so that we can include you. There will be a box for your photos with David in the church office.

Book for Carol: Please add your stories and memories of Carol to the book, so that we can send this to her in Peterborough as soon as possible.

Used Stamps: we are continuing our support of The Leprosy Mission by collecting used stamps. As usage increases over the Christmas period, would you please put aside any stamps from cards etc. and drop them off to David Pickett in the Church Office.

Christmas Fair Saturday 9th December: We are looking for the following donations for stalls – toiletries, chocolates, books and Raffle prizes. Please leave any donations in a clearly labelled bag or box. Please note that we **do not need** any bric-a-Brac items this time.

Christmas tree Festival: Please let Isobel Penny know as soon as possible if you are planning to decorate a tree and what the name of the tree is. We are still looking for sponsorship from local businesses so please speak to anyone you know with their own business. Further information from Isobel Penny ijpenny@aol.com or telephone 07816539513.

Breadline Africa: JMG are collecting small change until New Year for Breadline Africa. If you would like to empty your pockets, please let any member of the group have your donations.

The recent lecture at Christ Church Sutton (audio) on: "Reformation 500 Years On" is available on the church's website: <http://www.christchurch.suttonteam.org.uk/sermons> under 'Sermons'. Highly recommended.

Calling all cake makers: Cakes, biscuits, pastries are needed to sell at the Christmas Fair, preferably homemade, and it would good to have some with a Christmas theme, e.g. chocolate log, but all offerings welcome. Please contact Jane Cook on 020 8337 2125 or jcook.quin@gmail.com or sign on the list in the Welcome Area.

Springs Dance Company: will be performing '*Journey of the Magi*' in Church on Friday 15th December at 7.00pm. Tickets cost £5.00 and are available from Paul (020 8337 2348).

Flower Distribution Rota: The Rota for 2018 will be drawn up shortly. Any existing volunteers not wishing to continue, or with dates to be avoided, please let Rosemary Leach know by 16th December. Ideally we need a couple of additional volunteers to avoid gaps, so if you would like to be involved, please also contact Rosemary. This is not a particularly onerous form of service, yet it is one that we know is very much appreciated by its recipients. Indeed, with one or two new volunteers, the responsibility would only occur three times during the year. It is perfectly acceptable to take the flowers after either of the morning services.

New Year's Eve Dance 8.00-12.30. Enjoy easy Folk, Morris, Square and Scottish dancing in the church hall, with a shared pot luck supper and champagne toast. Tickets £8.00 from Wendy Spencer 0203 556 7449. All profits to the Queen Elizabeth Foundation and Nepal Leprosy Trust.

Please remember in your prayers:

- **The Rohingya Muslims**
- **The people of Zimbabwe**
- **Those who are sick or in pain:** Tony Leach, Peggy Ryder, Doreen, Daphne, Raj Jayaraja, Colin Pocknell, Mary Goodlad, in plaster following a serious fall, and Rosemarie Hossain.
- **Those who have recently died.**
- **Those who have lost loved ones.**

Please let the clergy know if you would like us to pray for someone in particular, or feel free to write down a name in the book on the prayer table.

Collect for the day

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Contacts

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Baptisms, banns and wedding bookings	Vestry Hour 10-11am on the first Saturday Of the month in the Welcome Area (except Aug)
Notice sheet entries	e. xcspwn@gmail.com by 5pm on Weds

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