

NOTICES for SUNDAY 11th December

Third Sunday of Advent – Christingle service & Communion



Advent Wreath Prayer (Advent 3)

Lord Jesus,
Light of the world,
John told the people to prepare,
for you were very near.
As Christmas grows closer
day by day,
help us to be ready
to welcome you now.
Amen

Post Communion Prayer
We give you thanks, O Lord, for
these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your
Spirit
that when your Christ comes
again
we may shine as lights before
his face;
who is alive and reigns now and
for ever. Amen

Today's Lectionary readings:

Isaiah 35:1-10
Psalm 146:4-10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

Christmas (services) Invitations Do take a few more and distribute to friends & neighbours.

Christmas Day Lunch

- **There are a few spare spaces at the table on Christmas Day** – contact the Parish Office by tomorrow (Monday 12th) regarding invitations.
- **Volunteers needed on Christmas Eve** for a couple of hours from 11am to 1pm to help lay tables and set up for the lunch. Please let Lynne know.
- **Sign up at the back of church after the service** – last opportunity
Sign-up to donate something for the Christmas Day lunch. Please look at the list to know more details. Non-perishable items can be brought to the Parish Office by 16 December and perishable items to the Church Hall on Christmas Eve by 12 noon.

Many thanks, Lynne Davison

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Thursday 15th December – Midweek Communion

12.30 pm in St. Catherine's Aisle - do join us if you're free.

Sunday 18th December – PARISH EUCHARIST with choir

9.30 am Fourth Sunday of Advent

Preacher: Revd Carol Bates

7.00 pm **Carols by Candlelight**

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A monthly Said Eucharist service – any interest?

If anyone would be interested in a monthly said Eucharist service at 8am on Sunday mornings, please let Revd Carol know – leave a message on Tel: 8657 1366 . And would anyone be willing to be a Server at this service?

Church Charitable Giving

The PCC will be reviewing and updating the charities that we donate to and support in this New Year. Please pray and let PCC members know your views before the next PCC meeting in January (18th Jan).

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to the Growbaby collection of toiletries enabling something special for the mums. I took 7 bags of wonderful goodies to Growbaby yesterday which will help bring a smile this Christmas to those who have little.

Rosemary Kempsell

Safeguarding / 'A Safe Church': If you ever have any concerns, speak with one of the clergy or with Margaret Quiney 8657 4087 or Katheryn Hewitt 8657 6659, our Safeguarding Officers.