

St Christopher's Church Services

December 2018

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| Advent Sunday 2nd | 10.00am Morning Worship | Readings Jeremiah 33: 14-16 and Matthew 24: 36-51 Theme <i>Being ready for His return</i> Led by Revd C Collins Preacher Revd C Collins Remember to bring your cakes! |
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| Sunday 9th | 10.00am Holy Communion | Readings Malachi 3: 1-4 and Luke 3: 1-6 Theme <i>Straight paths for the Lord</i> Led by Mr C Ndigirwa Preacher Mrs C Griffin with prayer for healing - Dale and Margaret |
| 5-7.00pm Tea, chat and pray at the McCullough - 33 Alton Road | | |

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| Sunday 16th | 10.00am Morning Worship | Reading Zephaniah 3: 14-20 and Luke 3: 7-28 Theme <i>One more powerful than John</i> Led by Miss L Warner Preacher Revd J Tonkin |
| 6.00pm Traditional Carol Service with mulled wine and mincepies Led by Revd A McCullough, Preacher Revd C Collins | | |

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| Sunday 23rd | 10.00am Holy Communion | Reading Micah 5: 2-5a and Luke 1: 39-55 Theme <i>Great things from the Mighty One</i> Led by Revd C Collins Preacher Mr C Ndigirwa |
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| Christmas Day 25th | 10.00am All age Holy Communion | Reading John 1: 1-14 Theme <i>The Word became flesh</i> Led by Revd C Collins Preacher Revd A McCullough |
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| Sunday 30th | 10.00am All age Morning Worship | Reading Psalm 148 and Luke 2: 41-52 Theme <i>In the Father's house</i> Led by Mrs C Griffin Preacher Miss L Warner |
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Christmas Cards



Many people in church prefer to give just one card to the whole church family at Christmas.

Why not use the money saved to give to **Tearfund?**

Diary Dates for December

- Monday 3rd - Chris taking Advent assembly at Marriott Road School
- Monday 3rd - Advent 'cake drop' to the Academy
- Tuesday 4th - Thursday 6th - Chris taking Advent assemblies at the Academy
- Tuesday 4th, 11th & 18th - 'Bright Stars' lunch club for Yr 5-6 and after-school 'Tea 'n' Toast' for Yr11
- Wednesdays 5th, 12th & 19th - 8am - **Morning Prayer**
- Wednesdays 5th, 12th & 19th - 8pm **Advent Meditations** at church
- Thursday 13th - Charles taking Christmas assembly at the Academy
- Monday 17th - 'Experience Christmas' Marriott Road School
- Tuesday 18th - Thursday 20th - Charles taking Christmas assemblies at the Academy
- Friday 21st - **Academy end-of-term Christmas assembly** (Chris & Charles)
- Saturday 22nd - 3:30-5:30pm **Craft Café** at Pork Pie library.

To be arranged **Carol Singing at Stonesby Lodge** and possibly at Nightingale's (Olive's Care Home).

Prayer Topics

Pray for:

- all of our **Christmas activities** - see diary dates
- our presence at **Saffron Christmas fête**
- the Academy** after a difficult term, including most recently negative local press
- progressing our **Up, In & Out** elements for St C's going forward
- God's continued **blessings upon our new ministries** begun this term: Open Hands partnering, Craft Café, Morning Prayer, and ongoing door-to-door visiting;
- Sue Stevens as we work on a way for her to get to church
- the family, friends and colleagues of **Mads Morgan**, interim Vocations & Discipleship Enabler at Leicester Diocese, who died recently
- all those who will go hungry this Christmas time.

Regular Activities

Little Angels

Mondays and Fridays
9.15-11.15am

Friday 14th **Christmas Party**
Monday 17th

Christmas Celebration with **Christingles and mincepies**
(Last meeting of term)
Reopens Friday 11th January

Coffee Break with Communion

Thursdays 11.30am-2pm
6th CC, 13th CC,

20th **Christmas Lunch AM**
27th No meeting

Scouts Thursdays

Cubs 8 plus 5.30-6.45
Scouts 10.5 plus 6-8
and Explorers 14 plus 7-9
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