

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 29th November 2015

Advent Sunday Year C



We welcome any newcomers to the church. It would help us to get to know you if you complete one of the welcome cards from the library at the back of the church and hand it to a sidesperson or a Warden.

Readings for Advent Sunday

1st : Jeremiah 33. 14 – 16
 2nd : 1Thessalonians 3. 9 – 13
 Gospel : Luke 21. 25 – 36

Collect

**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. Amen**

We pray for

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| Our Church | Churchyard maintenance team | |
| To be Baptised | Evan Spencer Jones Samuel Arthur Charles Jones | |
| The Parish | Portsmouth Road, Hensting Lane and Crowd Hill | |
| The sick | Lesley Bush Helen Haig Mark Foster Nick | Vi Thomas Dawn Rogers Jean Farmery Bev Ralph |
| The Departed | Marion Young Ken Budden | Terry Roberts |
| Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time | Priscilla Barney Hazel Martin | |

Events

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| Today | 12.45 pm | Baptism : Evan Spencer Jones Samuel Arthur Charles Jones |
| Monday | 9.00 am | Hymn choosing group |
| Saturday 5 th | am | Churchyard tidy |
| Sun 6 th | 9.45 am | Second Sunday of Advent Year C Family Service Continuous Readings 1 st : Malachi 3. 1 – 4 2 nd : Philippians 1. 3 – 11 Gospel : Luke 3. 1 – 6 |

Today, the Lectionary readings change to Year C

If you know of **anyone who is sick or in hospital**, or would like a visit from the Vicar, please pass the information on to the Vicar. It is better to receive the information more than once than not at all.

There are copies of the **readings for the month** at the back of the church. Please feel free to take one home with you, if you would like to.

Special Charity

Today is the last opportunity to donate to our charity for November - BLESMA, supporting limbless veterans.

Also, thank you for your continuing donations of non-perishable items to the Nightshelter.

Notices

This morning we welcome Val Corcoran who will preside at our Advent Sunday Parish Eucharist,

Next Sunday the Vicar will lead our 9.45 am Family Service when we shall be looking at the 'rocky road' of Advent.



Followed by refreshments and the chance to chat

Don't forget Christingle, which will be at 3.30 pm on Christmas Eve.



Diary date – Churchyard Tidy – next Saturday morning - 5th December; all welcome, bring a friend and a rake. Please ask Mike for details (713962).

Preparation for Confirmation.

In the New Year I will be organising a series of sessions that prepare people for being confirmed into the church. The sessions will cover the basic beliefs of the Christian faith. If you are interested in being confirmed or would like to join the group as a way of refreshing and re-exploring our faith, please contact me or any member of the Ministry Team. Rev'd Jonah

The next Company for Lunch will take place on Wednesday 20th January. Please book with Jane (02380614936) or Chris (713097).



Tickets, £7 each, are now available for the **CCD&MG Christmas Concerts**, which will take place in church at 7.30 pm on 17th and 18th December. Half of the proceeds will be donated to church funds and the remainder, along with the closing bucket collection, to Percy's Pals, a charity which aims to raise £250,000 to purchase a specialist portable CT brain scanner for the Wessex Neurological ITU in memory of Dr Richard Percival who lived in Twyford.

Please take this notice sheet home with you if you wish, as an aid for your personal prayers during the week or to look up the readings before next Sunday's Service.

Prayer Requests – in addition to passing on concerns directly to the Vicar, there are prayer request cards on the book shelf at the back of the church. They can be left at any time in the box and they will be included in the Vicar's daily prayers for the parish and, when appropriate, include them on the weekly sheet.