

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 13th December 2015

Third Sunday of Advent 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 3rd Sunday of Advent

1st : Zephaniah 3. 14 – 20

2nd : Philippians 4. 4 – 7

Gospel : Luke 3. 7 – 18

Collect

**God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist**

to prepare the way of your Son:

give us courage to speak the truth,

to hunger for justice,

and to suffer for the cause of right,

with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

We pray for

Our Church Ministry Team preparing for Christmas
To be baptised Max Peter Terence Houlford

The Parish Orchard Close and Fleming Place
CCDMG Concerts

The sick	Simon DaKeyne	Lesley Bush
	Helen Haig	Dawn Rogers
	Mark Foster	Jean Farmery
	Nick	Bev Ralph

Those in our long term prayers	Sarah Piper	Peter Bevis
	Ruth Bevis	Audrey Pallett
	Iris Homer	

The Departed	Vi Thomas	Anne Webb
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Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	Margaret Everitt	Robert Brash
	Ronald Cousens	Derek Dawson
	David Roots	

Events

Today 12.45 pm Baptism : Max Houlford

 6.00 pm Evensong

Tuesday 9.30 am Hymn Choosing

 2.00 pm Decorating the Tree

 7.30 pm Bells

Thursday 7.30 pm CCDMG Carol Concert

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Sun 20th 9.30 am Parish Eucharist
 4th Sunday of Advent

 Continuous Readings

 1st : Micah 5. 2 – 5a

 2nd : Hebrews 10. 5 – 10

 Gospel : Luke 1. 39 – 45

 4.00 pm Village Carol Service at the
 Methodist Church

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

Special Charity

During December, and at Christingle, we shall support the Children's Society. Please see the Parish magazine for details of the scope of work the charity carries out.

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

Notices

This morning we welcome Peter Lippiett who will preside at the Eucharist and Gillian will Deacon and preach.

Ed Rothead will lead Evensong.

Next Sunday, the Vicar will celebrate at the Parish Eucharist.

Please note that The Village Carol Service will take place next Sunday afternoon **at the Methodist Church at 4 pm.**

The funeral service for Vi Thomas will take place in church on Monday 21st December at 1.00 pm.



The Church Christmas Tree will be put in place and decorated on Tuesday at 2.30 pm. If you are able to help, please contact Gordon or Sylvia.

The main body of **the church will Decorated for Christmas** on the morning of Wednesday 23rd December.

Please come along and help if you are able to.

Details from Pat Carter – 713490 or Jean Poore 713886. Donations of time, greenery and financial will be all very gratefully received.



We shall be **assembling Christingles** in church on **Wednesday 23rd December** at 3.00 pm.



Team Tingle will have done all the necessary preparations beforehand – THANK YOU!

Please come along and help on 23rd and share some seasonal refreshments.

Tickets, £7 each, are now available for the **CCDMG Christmas Concerts**, which will take place in church at 7.30 pm next



Thursday and Friday. Half of the proceeds will be donated to church funds and the remainder, along with the closing bucket collection, to Percy's Pals.

Preparation for Confirmation.

In the New Year, I will be organising a series of sessions that prepare people for being confirmed into the church. 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

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.

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.

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.