

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 20th December 2015

Fourth 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 4th Sunday of Advent

1st : Micah 5. 2 – 5a
 2nd : Hebrews 10. 5 – 10
 Gospel : Luke 1. 39 – 45

Collect

Eternal God,
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,
so we wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age
to see, with her, our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

We pray for

Our Church	Flower arrangers	
The Parish	Springfields Close and Hill Lane	
The sick	Simon DaKeyne	Lesley Bush
	Helen Haig	Dawn Rogers
	Mark Foster	Jean Farmery
	Nick	Bev Ralph
The Departed	Vi Thomas	Anne Webb
Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	Barbara Killick	Sylvia Young
	Kathleen Underwood	
	Jasmine Pickett	

Events

Today	4.00 pm	Village Carol Service
Monday	1.00 pm	Funeral Service for Vi Thomas
Wednesday	am	Decorating the Church
	3.00 pm	Assembling Christingles
Thursday	3.30 pm	Christingle
	11.30 pm	Midnight Eucharist
Friday	9.30 am	Communion with Carols
Sun 27 th	10.00 am	Benefice Eucharist

1st Sunday of Christmas
 St John, Apostle and Evangelist
 Readings for the Eucharist
 1st : Exodus 33. 7 – 11a
 2nd : 1John chapter 1
 Gospel : John 21. 19b – 25

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



We shall be **assembling Christingles** in church on **Wednesday** 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.

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 the Vicar will celebrate at the Parish Eucharist. Next Sunday's Benefice Eucharist will take place at Holy Trinity **at 10.00**

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

The funeral service for Vi Thomas will take place in church tomorrow at 1.00 pm.

The main body of **the church will be 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.



Thank you to CCDMG for 2 excellent Christmas concerts which raised money for church funds and a local charity.

The Diocese has launched a new regular publication **Diocesan News** - all about sharing the good news of what is happening across the Diocese. The first edition gives some great examples of good news in parishes across the Diocese, a report on a recent visit to Myanmar, and an update on the Diocesan Appeal, helping Syrian refugees and those affected by the recent floods in Myanmar. The Diocesan News also provides a list of upcoming events for your diary. There are hard copies at the back of the church or it is available on www.winchester.anglican.org

If you are looking for a small stocking –filler, we have some copies of Carol Kennedy's 'Pebble in the Pond' book, - a memoir in prose and verse - which can be yours today for a donation to Multiple Sclerosis (gift aided if possible). Carol is a member of Twyford Church.

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.