

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 31st December 2017

The First Sunday of Christmas YEAR B



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

1st : Isaiah 61. 10 – 62.3

2nd : Galatians 4. 4 – 7

Gospel : Luke 2. 22 – 40

Collect

**God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen**

We pray for

Our Church	Our Benefice Colden Common Methodist Church Potential applicants for our Vacancy Helen O’Sullivan	
The Parish	New Road	
The Sick	Jean Reader Mo Alderman Samuel Curzon-Harrison	Peter Griffin Margery Knight
The Departed	Ann Peeling	Mary Hunt
Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	Jack Alderman Rex White	Lilian Lockyer Peter Alderman

Events

Sunday 7th 9.30 am Parish Eucharist : Epiphany



Special Charity

During December we shall be collecting for the Children’s Society through the pew envelopes and £308.50 which was donated at Christingle

Notices

Today we welcome our friends from Twyford, Owslebury, Morestead and Colden Common Methodist Church. Special thanks go to the Rev’d Bob Kitching for preaching at our Ecumenical Communion Service; Gillian will Deacon.

Next Sunday, Michael Jackson will celebrate at our Epiphany Parish Eucharist.

The Christmas tree will be taken down on the morning of Monday 8th. All help appreciated.

Our next Family Service will take place on 14th January, when we shall renew our Baptism Vows



The first advertisement for our new incumbent should appear in The Church Times next Friday.



The next **Benefice Prayer** gathering - praying for our benefice during the interregnum - will take place at 5 pm on Saturday 20th January at Owslebury.

Company for Lunch returns on Wednesday 17th January. Please book with Chris – 01962 713097.

Fay is now allocating favourite numbers for **2018’s lottery raffle**. Tickets still just £1 each. If you wish to pay for the whole year by cheque, please make it payable to Colden Common Church Building Fund. (Cash is just as acceptable). Thank you Fay for taking on another year!

Alan Hargraves is now our volunteer **Village Agent**. Please see the poster at the back of the church to find out what sort of problems he may be able to help with.

Holy Trinity now has a Facebook page. Please search for Holy Trinity Colden Common and like and share us with your Facebook friends.

Prayer Requests – in addition to passing on concerns directly to the clergy, 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 daily prayers for the parish and, when appropriate, include them on the weekly sheet.

If you know of **anyone who is sick or in hospital**, or would like a visit from a member of the Clergy, please pass the information on a churchwarden. 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.