Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 2nd December 2018

Advent Sunday

We welcome any visitors or newcomers to the church today. Please have a chat with one of the sidespeople who will be pleased to introduce you to the Churchwardens and other members of the congregation

Readings

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

Our Church — Wardens and clergy in the run-up to Christmas

The Parish — Clamp Green, Burr Close and Skintle Green

The Sick — Gillian, Freddie, Steban, Ruth, Jean, Margery, Mel, Peter, Ruth

The Departed — Bob Smith, June Fisher, Val Kitching

Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time — Hazel Martin, Tony Godwin, Vi Thomas

Events for the Week

Weds 5th — 9.30 am — Benefice Wardens' Meeting
Thursday — 10.30 am — First Thursday Thirst

Sun 9th — 9.45 am — Family Service
2nd Sunday of Advent Sunday
Readings
1st : Malachi 3.1 – 4
2nd : Philippians 1. 3 – 11
Gospel : Luke 3. 1 – 6
6.00 pm — Evensong

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 to a churchwarden. It is better to receive the information more than once than not at all.

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 the m on the weekly sheet.

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

Special Charity

During December we shall support the Children's Society as they celebrate 50 years of Christingle Services.
If you are not planning on attending Christingle, please place your donation in one of the pew envelopes or special candle boxes. Thanks

Thank you also for the non-perishable goods left in the Nightshelter box at the back of the church.

Notices

Today Rev'd Stephen Sizer will preside at our Advent Sunday Parish Eucharist
Next Sunday's Family Service – It's Christmaaaas! will be led by the Vicar. Evensong will be taken by Elaine.

The church Christmas Tree will be put in place and decorated on Monday 10th December at 9.00 am. If you are able to help, please contact Mike or Gordon.

Thank you to……..
all the stalwart helpers at the Churchyard leaf tidy yesterday (Mike, Paul, Alex, Christine, Damon) and any others missed from the list.
everyone who supported or helped at the church stall at the Winter Market at the Community Centre last Sunday which raised £130 for the loo project and church funds.

Elaine now has some **tickets for the CCM&DG Christmas Concerts** in church on 20th and 21st December.

Advent Julian Prayer on Wednesday 19th December 7.30 – 8.30 pm, in the Lady Chapel, St Mary's Twyford. An hour of quiet music, readings and prayerful meditation especially to help prepare for the Christmas rush. Everyone welcome.

THEATRE TICKETS FOR FOUR
to a show of your choice
(Subject to availability) at
the Mayflower, Southampton
with
Chauffeured Limousine to and from the theatre anywhere within the Winchester, Eastleigh, Southampton area
a reserve has been set at £300
MAKE YOUR SEALED BID NOW and send/take to Church Centre Main Rd Colden Common SO21 1TJ
Deadline for Bids – 6pm, 16th December 2018
Raising funds for the West End Project
This wonderful gift has been sponsored by Eastleigh Independent Funeral Directors Ltd

Next year, Company For Lunch will take place on the third Thursday of each month, same time, same place. We look forward to seeing you again on 17th January for some 'New Year Nibbles'

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.