

**POSTAGE STAMPS:** Royal Mail are producing books of second class Christmas stamps with a secular theme only this year. There are Nativity stamps available, but in fewer numbers. As Christians, this is an opportunity for us to witness to our faith and ask for stamps that are appropriate for a Christian celebration. Let's invite as many friends and family as possible to join us in advertising "the reason for the season" and make sure we use Nativity stamps.

**PARISH NOTICES: Christ Church  
and The Church of the Good Shepherd  
for the week beginning Sunday 09 December 2012  
Second Sunday of Advent**

**WELCOME**

**CHRIST CHURCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE-RECENT CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:**

The event produced a net profit of no less than £1,833.08 - well done you team players in our fantastic congregation!!! This is further proof of what we can all achieve working together and what is just as important we warmly welcomed people from the local area who we do not normally see at our services and may choose in future to be part of our joyful worship.

**Today's services:**

**Christ Church:**

8.00am Holy Communion *Rev Phil Wootton*

11.00am Parish Communion *Rev Phil Wootton & Rev Carol Harley*

The enrolment of Joy Dipple, Verity Williams and Effie Yates into Mothers' Union will take place during the 11.am service.

**Fair Trade goods on sale after both services today.**

**Good Shepherd**

9.30am Family Communion *Rev Phil Wootton & David Hughes*

**The Collect**

**Almighty God,  
purify our hearts and minds,  
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as  
judge and Saviour  
we may be ready to receive him,  
who is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

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Parish Office: **01902 238988**

Rector's E-Mail: Rev Phil Wootton is contactable by e-mail at [philwootton@sky.com](mailto:philwootton@sky.com) This replaces any previous addresses. The Rectory phone number is still 751116.

**PASTORAL: BOTH CHURCHES**

If you are aware of any member of our congregations who is unwell, going into hospital or just struggling in general, please let us know:

For Christ Church contact Veronica Milward on 763468 or Liz Biddulph on 764456.

For Good Shepherd contact Chris Nickholds on 753969 or Jane Brough on 762605.

Rev Carol Harley is available for anyone who would like a confidential conversation about any matter. To make an appointment, please call her on 755316.

**Today's Readings:**

Malachi 3: 1-4

Luke 3: 1-6

**Next Week's Readings:**

Zephaniah 3: 14-20

Luke 3: 7-18

### REGULAR SERVICES IN TETTENHALL WOOD PARISH

**Christ Church:** Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion  
11.00 Sunday Praise [*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month*]  
11.00am Parish Communion [*all other Sundays*]  
Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion

**Good Shepherd:** Sunday 9.30am Family Communion  
Wednesday 9.30am Holy Communion

### PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ▶ Our Creche leaders
- ▶ Organists, band & choir
- ▶ The local food banks & those they serve

**Good Shepherd Prayer Area:** Limehurst Ave., Studley Rd.

### PARISH EVENTS

**"OUT OF EGYPT I HAVE CALLED MY SON":** three talks for Advent: 7.30pm on Mondays at Christ Church - 10 Dec: 'Lo, he comes': ancient texts and stories. 17 Dec: Egypt in Biblical History and Prophecy.

**ADVENT REFLECTIONS AT THE CHURCH AT PERTON:** Thursdays, 13 & 20 December - 7.30pm. Each Thursday will be an hour of quiet music, readings, reflections, silence and prayer, please come and join us for one or more evening.

**CAROL SERVICE:** on Sunday 16 December - 4pm at Christ Church.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** There is a box at the back of church for your kind donations. Many thanks.

**GOOD SHEPHERD CHRISTMAS FAYRE:** many thanks to everyone who supported us in any way. A wonderful amount of £985.41 was raised for church funds. We hope you all enjoyed it.

**TRANSPORT ROTA:** please let Angela Williams know any dates you are unable to do between January and March.

**CAROLS ON THE GREEN:** at Tettenhall, Saturday 22 December, 10.45 - 11.15am, organised by the Covenanting Churches.

### FUND RAISERS

**WOLVERHAMPTON CHAMBER CHOIR: 'CHRISTMAS CRACKER'**

Wednesday 12 December 7.30pm at Christ Church. A choir from Christ Church Primary will also be taking part. Tickets £9 (includes glass of mulled wine). Free for under 18s. Buy on the door; from Choir members or Christ Church Parish Office; or email: [wolverhamptonchamberchoir@gmail.com](mailto:wolverhamptonchamberchoir@gmail.com); or from Music 2000, Broad Lane, Bradmore. IN AID OF MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT.

**ROY QUINTON'S CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL:** any kind of toy, game, teddy, doll or gift set for all ages requested - must be new - in aid of New Cross Childrens' Ward & The Haven. Donations to Roy Quinton office: 27 School Rd. TW between 10 - 4pm Mon - Fri.

### The Week Ahead

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| Monday    | 2.00pm  | Ladies Fellowship -Advent Devotions with Rev Tim Mullings. Bring & buy for charities. |
|           | 7.30pm  | "Out of Egypt I have called my Son" at CC   |
| Tuesday   | 12.30pm | Funeral of Marjorie Leach in CC   |
| Wednesday | 9.30am  | Communion at GS   |
|           | 7.30pm  | Wolv. Chamber Choir Concert in CC   |
| Thursday  | 7.30am  | Prayer Breakfast at URC   |
|           | 9.30am  | Holy Communion at CC  |
|           | 12.30pm | Prayer Lunch  |
|           | 6.00pm  | CC Choir Practise at CC with URC  |
|           | 7.30pm  | Advent Reflections at CAP   |

For anyone dissatisfied with the General Synod vote relating to women bishops, there are a couple of online petitions through which you can register your feelings:

<http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/cofelaymembersinfavourofwomenbishops/>

<http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/no-confidence-in-general-synod/>