

**PARISH NOTICES: Christ Church
and The Church of the Good Shepherd
for the week beginning Sunday 16 December 2012
Third Sunday of Advent**

WELCOME

Today's services:

Christ Church:

8.00am Holy Communion *Rev Phil Wootton*
11.00am Parish Communion *Rev Phil Wootton & Joy Dipple*
4.00pm Joint Carol Service *Rev Phil Wootton & Rev Tim Mullings*

Good Shepherd

9.30am Family Communion *Rev Carol Harley & Rev Phil Wootton*

The 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.**

Today's Readings:

Zephaniah 3: 14-20
Luke 3: 7-18

Next Week's Readings:

Micah 5: 2-5a
Luke 1: 39-55

PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ▶ Our preparation for Christmas
 - ▶ The end of term services for our schools
 - ▶ The homeless and disadvantaged
- Good Shepherd Prayer Area:** Brantley Avenue.

CHRIST CHURCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Wishing all our customers old and new a very HAPPY CHRISTMAS and we look forward to seeing you at the various events that we will be planning for 2013. The Committee will be meeting in the first week of January and if you have any ideas on what you would like us to consider arranging for you please make a note and pass it either to Phil Dent or Clive. We will take your views into account at our planning meeting and if they fit into the overall programme we will do our best to include them.

LOST BOOKS: Rev Pippa Thorneycroft has lost two books based on Advent - Hilary Faith Jones - "Milestones", and possibly one other. If you know of the whereabouts of either or both of these books please contact Parish Office.

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Rector's E-Mail: Rev Phil Wootton is contactable by e-mail at 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.

REGULAR SERVICES IN TETTENHALL WOOD PARISH

Christ Church: Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion
11.00 Sunday Praise [*1st 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

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve: Christingle and Crib Service at *GS*, 4pm
Crib Service at *CC*, 5pm
Joint Midnight Communion at *CC*, 11.30pm
Joint Christmas Morning Communion at *GS*, 10am

Please note: No midweek Communion on 26 or 27 December
Christmas collections will be for 'Embrace the Middle East'
(formerly 'Biblelands')

The Week Ahead

Monday	12.30pm	Prayer Lunch
	7.30pm	"Out of Egypt I have called my Son" at <i>CC</i>
Wednesday	9.30am	Communion at <i>GS</i>
Thursday	7.30am	Prayer Breakfast at <i>CC</i>
	9.30am	Holy Communion at <i>CC</i>
	10.00am onwards	Christmas flowers being arranged in <i>CC</i>
	2.00pm	Mothers' Union at <i>CC</i>
	7.30pm	Advent Reflections at <i>CAP</i>
	8.00pm	Wood Road House Group
Friday	1.30pm - 3.30pm	Schools Christmas Service at <i>CC</i>
Saturday	10.45am-11.15am	Carols on the Green at Tettenhall

PARISH EVENTS

"OUT OF EGYPT I HAVE CALLED MY SON": last of three talks for Advent: 7.30pm on Monday at Christ Church - 17 Dec: Egypt in Biblical History and Prophecy.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS AT THE CHURCH AT PERTON: Thursday 20 December - 7.30pm. An hour of quiet music, readings, reflections, silence and prayer, please come and join us.

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

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

CHRISTMAS CARD: Thank you to everyone who took part in designing the card detailing the Christmas services. As you may have seen on the back of the card, the chosen design is by Eloise Marsden from The King's School. She has been awarded a Waterstones gift card. There are still some bundles of cards at the back of church awaiting delivery. Please help if you can. It would be a pity for them to end up in the recycling box!

CAROLS ON THE GREEN: Saturday 22 December 10.45am to 11.15am - Upper Green Tettenhall. Afterwards, all are welcome for coffee and mince pies at the Parish Centre, Upper St (next to the library).

MOTHERS' UNION: Thursday 20 December - 2.00pm in Christ Church. Revd Carol Harley will lead us in our "Christmas Devotions".

FUND RAISERS

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.