

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.

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.

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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.

**PARISH NOTICES: Christ Church
and The Church of the Good Shepherd
for the week beginning Sunday 02 December 2012
Advent Sunday**

WELCOME

Today's services:

Christ Church:

8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Rev Phil Wootton</i>
11.00am	Sunday Praise	<i>Alison Bull</i>
5.00pm	Christingle	<i>Rev Phil Wootton</i>

Good Shepherd

9.30am	Family Communion	<i>Rev Phil Wootton & Caroline Seaton</i>
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The 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.**

Today's Readings:

Jeremiah 33: 14-16
Luke 21: 25 - 36

Next Week's Readings:

Malachi 3: 1-4
Luke 3: 1-6

PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ▶ Compton Hospice
- ▶ Worship, Outreach & F & F Teams
- ▶ Those recently Baptised

Good Shepherd Prayer Area: Denham Gardens, Westacre Cres.

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

The Week Ahead

Monday	7.30pm	"Out of Egypt I have called my Son" at CC
Tuesday	8.15pm	1 st Sunday Leaders Meeting at CC
Wednesday	9.30am	Communion at GS
Thursday	7.30am	Prayer Breakfast at CC
	9.30am	Holy Communion at CC
	6.15pm	CC Choir Practise at CC
	7.30pm	Advent Reflections at CAP
Friday	12.30pm	Prayer Lunch at CC
	7.00pm	Youth Group at CC
Saturday	1.30pm	Blessing of Marriage service at CC

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/>

PARISH EVENTS

"OUT OF EGYPT I HAVE CALLED MY SON": three talks for Advent: 7.30pm on Mondays at Christ Church - 3 Dec: 'The Wisdom of the Desert'. 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, 6, 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.

MOTHERS' UNION: The enrolment of Joy Dipple, Verity Williams and Effie Yates will take place in Christ Church at 11.00am on Sunday 9 December. It would be lovely if as many MU members as possible could be there to support them. Thank you.

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

FUND RAISERS

WOLVERHAMPTON CHAMBER CHOIR: 'CHRISTMAS CRACKER'
Wednesday 12 December 7.30pm at Christ Church. 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; or from Music 2000, Broad Lane, Bradmore. IN AID OF MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT.

MANY THANKS: to all the contributors and visitors to Rosemary Malpas' coffee morning last week. So far the total sum raised for BARNARDOS exceeds £1100.

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. Thanks for support from Diane & Vera.

MANY THANKS: to all who supported in any way the brass band concert last Saturday at The Church At Perton in aid of Perton Carnival.

FAIRTRADE GOODS: will be on sale at both services at Christ Church next week. Any special requests to Ann Fulljames (tel. 425710) by Wednesday please.

