

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

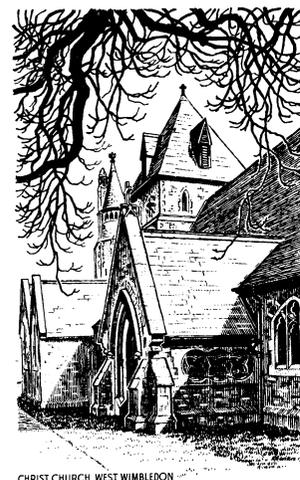
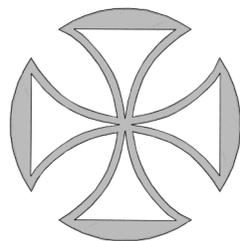
My brothers and sisters, I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Philippians 1.3–11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

Luke 3.1–6



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SUNDAY 05 DECEMBER 2021

ADVENT 2



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.**

Post Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SUNDAY 05 DECEMBER 2021

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

READINGS

Philippians 1.3-11; Luke 3.1-6

HYMNS

247, 513, 249, 290

3pm Nativity Play rehearsal

4pm Christingle Service

Green Prayer

A confession.

We have failed
in our stewardship of your planet,
Using its resources
as mere commodity,
You gave us the garden to work
and take care of.
Instead we used it
to increase our prosperity. **Amen.**

EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING

10am-12 noon Church open
for quiet prayer - all welcome

SUNDAY 05 DECEMBER 2021

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

HYMNS

138, 565, 247 Psalm 75

READINGS

Isaiah 40/1-11; Luke 1/1-25

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need: Simon; Michael Green; Nick Coke; Simon Kimber; Rita Allen;

Those who have died: Miles Eden-Smith; Johnny Bartlett.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Caroline Christie (2006); Richard Allen (2005)

Link Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 8 December:

10 till 12 Church open—*however please note the organ is also to be tuned then, so there will be some noise!*

8pm Resettlement Project Leadership Team at the Vicarage

Thursday 9 December:

Church grounds will be closed for tree work

Friday 10 December

7pm to 9pm: Choir practice in Church

7.45pm KFH in the Hall

SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER: ADVENT 3

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

with the Junior Church Nativity Play

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

COMMUNAL CHRISTMAS CARD—An ECO IDEA. There is now a giant card displayed at the back of church. You can write your Christmas message to everyone in the church. If you like, the money saved on cards can be donated to a charity you're supporting this Christmas. Obviously you can still decide to send individual cards if you wish but this is just one simple idea to be kind to the planet and still be friendly to your friends in the congregation!

PAUL AND HILARY BRAZIER: After a long spiritual journey, Paul and Hilary Brazier were received into the Roman Catholic Church on Thursday December 2 at the Sacred Heart Church, Edge Hill in a ceremony witnessed by Michael Burns. We thank them for all they have contributed to Christ Church over the years, since they married here in 1983. We pray for them as they continue their Christian pilgrimage and we wish them well.

THANK YOU to everyone who created a wonderful Advent Fair last week—particular thanks to Tish and her fantastic team. Items are still for sale today!

TOGETHER ON THURSDAY TEA Christmas gathering will be on **FRIDAY 17 DECEMBER** starting at 2.30pm—**NB DATE and TIME**

VOLUNTEERS needed to help for the two Communion Services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day—please sign the list in the cross aisle if you can assist.

VACANCIES AT CHRIST CHURCH

HELP NEEDED WITH RUNNING THE HALL: A number of people in the congregation already do various jobs to help run the hall which is now fully open again. However, the hall needs a couple of extra openers/closers for children parties at the weekends every 10 or 11 weeks. The hall also needs someone to wash and dry towels and tablecloths on a regular basis. The hall also needs someone to give help with general management and marketing on an occasional basis. Please contact Angelina Skelton or Stefan Bown or email them on ccsw20hall@gmail.com

A CALL FOR NEW CHURCH CLEANERS: Could you consider sparing 1 to 1 1/2 hours every 4 weeks to join the Church cleaning teams? Tasks include dusting, vacuuming, cleaning the glass and the brass. Teams usually clean on a Monday or Saturday morning, but this could differ. Please contact Liz Errington or send her an email via cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk

A CALL FOR NEW CHURCH GARDENERS: we would love to invite members of the congregation to help us look after it and the wider church garden. We anticipate monthly gardening sessions but also ad hoc care, working to a given plan. Please do let me or any of the gardening team know if you have any interest. This does not commit you! Please contact Karen Chinn or send her an email via cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk

CHRIST CHURCH TODDLER GROUP is planning to reopen on **Wednesday 12 January from 9.15am to 11.15 am term times only**. Please contact me if you would like to help on the Wednesday morning or Tuesday evening from 8.30pm for about an hour to put the equipment out Help on a regular or occasional basis would be much appreciate. Please contact Mair Rabagliati or send her an email via cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk

12th WIMBLEDON BROWNIES, the Unit attached to Christ Church, currently has a few vacancies. Brownies is for girls aged 7 to 9. The Unit meets on Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 7.15pm at the Scout Hut on Cottenham Park Road. If anyone would like a place for after Christmas, has any questions or would like to add their daughter to the waiting list for when she turns 7. Please contact Elisabeth Bingham or send her an email via cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk.

CHRISTMAS LEAFLETS FOR DELIVERY to every home in the parish—and ours is a large area to cover—are now available in the cross aisle. The leaflets advertise the Christmas services being held in local churches. If you can assist by taking a bundle or two that would be so helpful.

FINANCES AT CHRIST CHURCH: If you wish to contribute via your bank, the details of our CAF bank account, in the name of **The PCC of Christ Church, West Wimbledon**, are **Sort code: 40-52-40** and **Account number: 00029176**. Please can you put your name in the reference. Cheques can also be made payable to **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon** and sent to **Christ Church West Wimbledon, 2, Cottenham Park Road, West Wimbledon, London SW20 0RZ**. Please note you must put in the full name of the account if you are setting up an online payment with your bank: **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon**

COVID-19: Current guidance has not yet changed. As previously, it is strongly recommended that, in church, everyone should wear a face covering over their mouth and nose, unless medically exempt. Please be aware of giving space to others. Remember—if you do develop any Covid symptoms, please remain at home.

SCAM TEXTS AND EMAILS; please note that if you ever get a text or an email from Michael Burns requesting help, ignore it—it is a scam. He never uses his mobile and the email address will be a fictitious one! Three people, whose mobile numbers were listed in last week's pewsheets, all received a scam message this week. Please note that, in future, we will **NOT** be displaying personal mobile or email addresses in the pewsheets. If you ever need to contact a member of the church, you can send an email to the Parish Office and it will be forwarded to the recipient by our Administrator.