

Notices for St. George's Church.

Advent Sunday

7.15am Morning Prayer
 8.00am Said Eucharist
 10.00am Advent Eucharist with
 Drama

4.00-6.00pm All-Age Christingle



Readings for 10.00am:

Isaiah 64 v1-9
 Psalm 80 v1-8, 18-20
 1 Corinthians 1 v3-9
 Mark 13 v24-37

Hymns:

Introit	247	Hark a herald voice
Gradual		Come light of the world (Pewsheet)
Offertory	619	The advent of our king
Communion	643	There is a longing
	401	Longing for light
Recessional	270	Hills of the north



This week at St. George's:

PLEASE NOTE THAT LADY CHAPEL IS OUT OF USE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Monday:

7.45am Morning Prayer
 10.30–12 noon Pop-In – Church open
 for private prayer until noon
 5.00pm Evening Prayer
 8.00pm Bible Reading Group

Tuesday:

7.45am Morning Prayer
 5.00pm Evening Prayer
 6.30pm Carol Singing at Peter Kennedy Court

Wednesday:

Barry's Day Off
 8.00pm Advent Devotion – 'Listening'

Thursday:

9.00am Morning Prayer
 9.30am Said Eucharist
 1.15 pm Fellowship – see panel
 5.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday:

9.00am Morning Prayer
 10.00am Advent Devotion – 'Listening'
 5.00pm Evening Prayer
 7.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 9th December

9.30am Morning Prayer
 Church then open from 10am til noon

10th December

Second Sunday in Advent

7.15am Morning Prayer
 8.00am Said Eucharist
 10.00am All-Age Eucharist
 5.00pm Carols in the Vicarage

**Large print versions of this
 pew sheet are available.**

General Notices

3rd December 2017

Fellowship are going to the Trinity Christmas Concert at Shirley Methodist Church, followed by mince pies in the Vicarage. Please see Margaret Ziolek if you would like a lift.

A Message from Pam Hooks- Thanks so much for the love, thoughts and prayers my friends at church have shown. Also for the support to Mike who probably needs it more than me!! Pam

Faith Pictures – the last session will be held at the home of Susan and Ray Wheeler, 88 Palace View at 7.30pm on Weds 13 Dec. Please phone 020 8777 5271 for more details. There will be another opportunity to take part in this course in 2018.

Please remember in your prayers ...

those in acute need, among them:

Brian; Anne; Mia Keene & Stacey; Casely McGee; Sheila Watts; Keith Bowler; Clare Piner; Libby; (Baby) Thomas; Charlie; Peter Symes

those whose need is ongoing, among them:

Bill Gibson; Jane; Carol; Valerie Duncan; Julie; Alexander Clarke; Garth Smith; Vera Ventham; Lindsey; Valerie Hambling; Christina; Martin Pitt; Jean; Barbara Ramsochit; Tom; Wendy Hurst and family; Peter Smith; Elizabeth Smith; Len; Elizabeth Lovell; Margaret Robbins; Mark Hare; Melvyn Demmen; Joshua and Andy Dovey; Hal Bittner; Pam and Mike Hooks

Please let Barry know (barryhengist@gmail.com or 020 8654 8747) of any changes in the prayer needs of those listed above or of new people to be added

any who have died recently:

Keith Bowen

those whose anniversary of death falls soon:

Esther Tyler; Raymond Miles Mitchell; Norman John Cook; Mabel Leah Graham; Dick Stoneham; Arthur George Stanley Glover; Margery Scott; Winifred Olive Alice Reeman; Philip Brightwell; Marion Elizabeth Averill Smith

Dates for your Diary:

14th Dec. – 3.30-5.30pm Messy Church
 17th Dec. – 6.00pm Nine Lessons and Carols
 24th Dec. - 4.00pm Crib Service – children encouraged to dress up as a character from the Nativity Story.

11.00pm Carols

11.30pm Midnight Mass of Christmas

25th Dec. 10.00am All-Age Christmas Eucharist



St George's has chosen to engage with Posada this year. Will you get to be a host to Mary and Joseph for a night or two? If so, please speak with Ray Wheeler **020 8777 5271**

There are no flowers in church during Advent.

If you would like to make a donation for flowers one Sunday in memory of someone or for a special occasion please contact Marion Sheehan on 020 8777 7308.

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.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 64 v1-9

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah
O that you would tear open the
heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake
at your presence—
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your
adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at
your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we
did not expect,
you came down, the mountains
quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived, no eye has seen
any God besides you,
who works for those who wait
for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in
your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we
transgressed. We have all become like
one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a
filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf, and our
iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on
your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the
hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are
our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity for
ever.
Now consider, we are all your
people.

Psalm 80 v1-8, 18-20

*R. Turn again, O Lord of hosts; show the
light of your countenance, and we shall be
saved.*

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel,
you that led Joseph like a flock;
Shine forth, you that are enthroned
upon the cherubim,
before Ephraim, Benjamin and
Manasseh.
Stir up your mighty strength
and come to our salvation. *R*

O Lord God of hosts,
how long will you be angry at your
people's prayer?
You feed them with the bread of
tears;
you give them abundance of tears to
drink.
You have made us the derision of
our neighbours,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn. *R*

Let your hand be upon the man at
your right hand,
the son of man you made so strong
for yourself.
And so will we not go back from
you;
give us life, and we shall call upon
your name. *R*

SECOND READING

I Corinthians I v3-9

*A reading from Paul's first letter to the
Corinthians*

Grace to you and peace from God our
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give
thanks to my God always for you
because of the grace of God that has
been given you in Christ Jesus, for in
every way you have been enriched in
him, in speech and knowledge of every
kind— just as the testimony of Christ
has been strengthened among you—
so that you are not lacking in any
spiritual gift as you wait for the reveal-
ing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will
also strengthen you to the end, so that
you may be blameless on the day of
our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful;
by him you were called into the
fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our
Lord.

GOSPEL

Mark 13 v24-37

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark*

[Jesus said to his disciples] 'But about
that day and hour no one knows,
neither the angels of heaven, nor the
Son, but only the Father. For 'But in
those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
and the stars will be falling
from heaven,

and the powers in the heavens will
be shaken.

Then they will see "the Son of Man
coming in clouds" with great power
and glory. Then he will send out the
angels, and gather his elect from the
four winds, from the ends of the earth
to the ends of heaven.

'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as
soon as its branch becomes tender and
puts forth its leaves, you know that
summer is near. So also, when you see
these things taking place, you know
that he is near, at the very gates. Truly
I tell you, this generation will not pass
away until all these things have taken
place. Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.

'But about that day or hour no one
knows, neither the angels in heaven,
nor the Son, but only the Father.
Beware, keep alert; for you do not
know when the time will come. It is
like a man going on a journey, when he
leaves home and puts his slaves in
charge, each with his work, and com-
mands the doorkeeper to be on the
watch. Therefore, keep awake—for
you do not know when the master of
the house will come, in the evening, or
at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at
dawn, or else he may find you asleep
when he comes suddenly. And what I
say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

POST COMMUNION

O Lord our God, make us watchful
and keep us faithful as we await the
coming of your Son our Lord; that,
when he shall appear, he may not find
us sleeping in sin but active in his
service and joyful in his praise; through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.