



## Burntwood Chase Team

The Church of England churches serving the communities of  
Burntwood, Chasetown, Hammerwich, Chase Terrace & Boney Hay

### CHRIST CHURCH

**SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER – *Advent Sunday***

#### **THIS WEEKS SERVICES:**

##### **SUNDAY**

**8.00am – HOLY COMMUNION**

**10.30am – HOLY COMMUNION**

**6.00pm – SERVICE OF LIGHT**

**Readings: Jeremiah 33: 14-16 & Luke 21: 25-36**

**WEDNESDAY 10.15am Agape service**

#### **Readings: Jeremiah 33: 14-16**

##### **Luke 21: 25-36**

<sup>25</sup> “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup> People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” <sup>29</sup> Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup> as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup> “Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup> like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup> Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

**COLLECT FOR TODAY**

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.

**WHAT'S GOING ON**

Please note that the Service of light is on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 6pm. All are welcome to join us for this special service.

Christingle boxes will be available this week in the Church entrance, please bring these boxes back at our Christingle service on the 9<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you for all your continued support from the November Christmas Fayre, our total has now reached £1000!

We are now coming to the end of our Church year and we have to advise you that we will be £6,000 to £7,000 short of our parish share. Please pray that the congregation and the local community have Christ Church in their thoughts.

**CHRIST CHURCH BURNTWOOD CAMEO CAFE**

Just a reminder to those who are coming regularly to our Cameo Cafe and anyone who might be considering joining us we will be open on Monday next, 3rd December, from 10 am to 12 noon. Please feel free to pop in at any point. You will be made most welcome by our friendly 'staff'.

Remember Cameo stands for COME AND MEET EACH OTHER."

**HELP NEEDED**

Christ Church are needing helpers for the decorating of the Church for Christmas and for making the Christingles on Saturday morning the 8<sup>th</sup> December. Please let the wardens know if you are able to help.

## **JOIN THE CHRIST CHURCH CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS!**

If anyone would like to join the Choir just for the Christmas season and take part in the special items which we do for the Carol Service then please feel free to turn up at a Choir Practice on Friday 7th and 14th December. Choir practice starts at 7.30 and lasts until 9.00. The Carol Service will be held on Sunday 16th December at 6.00pm. The Choir will be singing two items in the Carol Service.



### **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**



**SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 5PM**

Every year Christ Church celebrates with a Christingle Service, this is a wonderful service for all the family. Please remember to bring your baptism candles with you as we will light them and re-dedicate them at this service.



### **THE GIVING SERVICE**



**SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 10.30AM**

Children are invited to dress up if they wish as one of the Nativity characters. We invite everyone to bring a gift which goes to the Pathway Project supporting local families in crisis. We please ask for any gifts donated please provide wrapping paper and cards as they will then be sorted and wrapped at a later date. Collections also welcome from the 8.00am and 5.00pm services.

### **ART CAFÉ**

The next Art Café is on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 10am – 12noon, Everybody welcome, activities for all ages.

### **ELECTORAL ROLL**

Please take an application from the table in the entrance of the Church and please put your application in the children's box. Please note that an application needs to be done so you can be put on the Electoral Roll as it is not done automatically. Applications need to be brought back by the latest, 31<sup>st</sup> December.

## **CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL, ST ANNE'S CHURCH, CHASETOWN**

The Festival is on for three days:

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 10am – 6pm, Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 10am – 5pm

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2pm – 4pm

Admission is free and there are refreshments available. All are welcome.

### **WEDDING AND BAPTISM ENQUIRIES**

Bookings for Weddings and Baptisms are now closed for December and start again in January 2019.

#### **PRAYER CHAIN**

Christ Church is blessed with a very active prayer chain. If you, or anyone you know, feel that they would like others to pray for them, please speak to Barbara on 01543 674352 or Adrienne on 01543 684383.

#### **HOME COMMUNION**

Do you know anyone who is housebound or too ill to attend church and would like to receive Communion at home? If so, have a word with our Wardens or Sue Jackson our Pastoral Team Co-Ordinator.

#### **CHURCH WARDENS CONTACT DETAILS**

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*[leave a message and we will respond]*

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#### **OTHER CONTACTS**

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**Archdeacon of Lichfield— Tele: 01543 306145**

#### **NEXT SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

8.00am – MORNING SERVICE

10.30am – GIVING SERVICE

5.00pm – CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Wednesday 11.30am – JOINT SERVICE AT HAMMERWICH

#### **Readings:**

Malachi 3: 1-4

Luke: 3: 1-6