

OUR PRAYERS

In the Anglican Communion we give thanks for the success of the Anglican Church's health programme in Ghana that has helped to eradicate cholera in many parts of the country.

In Burundi we pray for the Community ICT Training Project set up by young Christian graduates, sharing their expertise with unemployed graduates and providing a productive occupation.

In our diocese as we look forward to the birth of Jesus in a stable surrounded by animals and worshipped by shepherds, we pray for all who are looking after livestock this winter. We pray for farmers and others working long hours in the cold weather as they protect God's creation.

In our parish we pray for all who live in Newcombe Road & Nightingale Lane and for the residents and staff of Melbourne House.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of Hearsall Baptist Church and their pastor, Rev'd David Sutcliffe.

Those in need:

In hospital:

Those who are ill / recovering from surgery / awaiting results of recent medical tests / the housebound:

Hazel Cantes, Mabel Cronin, Josie Howie and
Mason Thompson (Rachel Moorley's grandfather)

We commemorate the departed:

In Annual Remembrance:

Mabel Lea, Robert Lees, Henry Broadhurst,
Mick Brown, Mary Tallis and Jean Burns.

Loving Lord, come to our world of military might and political blindness to overturn our tired ideas of power and glory; and cry over our cities, our refugee camps, our bombs, our greed, our superficial values until your wisdom invades our understanding.

If you would like someone mentioned in the **Weekly Sick List**, please ring Ian Leitch (Churchwarden) on 024 7667 7683. If you would like a name placed on the **Prayer Chain** (which can be confidential), please speak to Christine O'Brien or email her at prayerchstb@gmail.com.



ST BARBARA'S EARLSDON SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2017

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

10.00 AM SUNG EUCHARIST

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HYMNS

28R, Ps 85:1,2,8-13 (BCP p454), 30R, Sheet,
891G, 470R Red & Green Hymn Books

SERVICE BOOK

Advent (p1 white) with Eucharistic Prayer "E"

CHORAL SETTING

Appleford

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 40:1-11

Matthew Horspool

GOSPEL

Mark 1:1-8

Preacher

SERMON

Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

MINISTER

Keith Wright

INTERCESSIONS

Mark Owen

We light the second candle on the Advent ring:

Lord Jesus, light of the world, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people in trouble. Give peace in our hearts at Christmas and show all the world God's love. Amen.

Watching, waiting, help us to be ready for you, Jesus. Amen.

After the 10am service you are invited to refreshments in the Hall

Please note the **Order of Service, Weekly Leaflet and hymns** are available in large print at the back of church each week. We have a loop system in church and you should switch to 'T' position for best reception.

4.00 PM Christmas Craft Workshops

Hall

5.00 PM Tree Decorating Service

Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

A short service for young families, followed by tea.

7.00 PM St Barbara's Bowls Club Carol Service

Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

Collect for the Second Sunday of Advent:

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

DIARY

Monday 11th December

10.30am Service at Herald Lodge (John McCutcheon);

Tuesday 12th December

2.00pm CTEC Advent Group at 45 Ainsbury Road;

7.30pm Standing Committee (vicarage);

Wednesday 13th December

9.30am *Prayers and Bears* (doors open 8.45) in the WellSpring;

11.30am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

11.30am Service at St Andrew's House (Ian Leitch);

2.15pm Wednesday Fellowship (incorporating Friendship Group);
Christmas Carol Service; Earlsdon Methodist Church;

2.30pm House Communion at Belvedere House (Ian Leitch);

7.30pm Home Group (vicarage) – Advent reflections;

7.30pm CTEC Advent Group, WellSpring Lounge;

Thursday 14th December

6.15pm CTEC Carol Singing (see note below);

Friday 15th December

7.00pm Choir Practice;

Sunday 17th December

8.00am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

10.00am Sung Eucharist; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Readings: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 Gill Nottinghamam;

John 1:6-8, 19-28 Preacher;

Sermon: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Minister: Dan Rathbone; Intercessions: Ian Leitch;

6.30pm Christmas Carol Service; Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Sermon: Dan Rathbone;

CTEC Carol Singing: Come carol singing with CTEC around the local pubs on Thurs 14th December. Meet at Earlsdon Methodist Church at 6.15pm. Sing at Albany Social Club at 6.30pm; at the Old Clarence at 7.30pm, and at the Chestnut Tree at 8.30pm, before staggering home! The plan is to sing for about 15 minutes at each venue. Then, have a drink and talk to the locals for about 30 minutes, before walking to next pub for 15 minutes. You are welcome to join (or leave) anywhere along the route. It should be an enjoyable evening.

To contact the Vicar, Rev'd Tulo Raistrick, please phone 024 7501 7889 (preferably not Mondays) or email tulo@raistricks.com

NOTICES

Congratulations to Herbie Manning (6 tomorrow) and to William Griffiths (20 tomorrow).

Congratulations also to Sarah and Tulo Raistrick who celebrate their 14th wedding anniversary on Wednesday.

Christmas Craft Workshops and **Tree Decorating Service** today (Sun 10th December) will be a fun-filled special time for families. Beginning at 4pm the Craft Workshops help to tell the Christmas story prior to gathering at 5pm to decorate our Christmas tree and sing carols. Suitable for all ages, this enjoyable afternoon is rounded off with tea and mince pies. Do encourage any young families to come and join in both events.

CTEC Advent Groups continue this week. One group will meet on Tuesday afternoon from 2 -3.30pm at 45 Ainsbury Road following the York course for Advent *So what are you waiting for?* Prepared by Rev'd Lucy Winkett. The Wednesday evening group in the WellSpring will meet at 7.30pm. Also, Tulo is leading a group on Wednesday evening that will reflect on Advent through words, pictures and music. Come and sample either small group. If you want just to listen to the discussion, that's fine! No-one need say anything unless they wish to, and everything shared is in confidence.

Christmas Carol Service is next Sunday (17th Dec) at 6.30pm. Be sure to come. Donations of mince pies will add to the celebration afterwards.

Earlsdon Christmas Greetings Festival: Today (Sun 10th Dec) is the final day of the festival which celebrates Christmas through supersized greetings cards at Earlsdon Methodist Church. The cards may be viewed from 2pm to 4pm. Admission is free, but donations are welcome. Refreshments will be available. Come and support the St Barbara's card.

Winners at our Bazaar: The hamper (donated by congregation) was won by Ann Tyson; the first prize in the raffle (a hamper donated by Margaret Cuttler) by Dorothy Hope; the chocolate hamper (donated by the McGrory family) by Laura Jones; the Christmas cake (made by Marjorie Leitch) by Josie Howie; reindeer by Kate; and Guess Santa by Scarlett Moorley. Congratulations to our winners, and many thanks to Margaret Cuttler, the McGrorys and all who gave donations. You made the day a success!

The Rev'd Tim Brooke is celebrating his 80th birthday with friends and people from the charities and churches he works with in St Barbara's Church Hall on **Saturday 13 January from 3 30 to 5 00pm**. If anyone from St Barbara's would like to join him and Gill (for tea and cake), please reply to brooke@care4free.net or 024 7667 9126 or 80 Broadway CV5 6NU not later than Monday 18 December (places are limited - first come, first served!).