OUR PRAYERS

In the Anglican Communion we give thanks for the commitment of the Church of South India to safeguarding Creation and campaigning for global justice.

In Burundi we pray for the surrounding countries that they may remain at peace, act justly and broker a just settlement.

In our diocese we remember the millions of people killed in the Holocaust, Nazi Persecution and in subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. We pray for God to defend and protect all those who fall victim to the forces of evil and to give us the courage to stand against hatred and oppression.

In our parish we pray for all who live in St Andrew's Road & Stanley Road and for the residents and staff of Herald Lodge.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of Earlsdon Methodist Church and their minister, Rev'd Mary Shannahan, as they prepare for the Prayer Breakfast on Saturday.

Those in need:

In hospital: Ruth Sutcliffe (the wife of Rev'd David Sutcliffe)

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

Don Driver, Brenda Hooper, Mary Maginnis and John Montgomery.

We commemorate the departed:

Sharon Paul, Marion Tootill and Judy King (Peter Shankster's sister)

In Annual Remembrance:

Frederick Blythe and Sarah Ferris.

If Candlemas be fair and bright, Winter will have yet another fight. But if Candlemas be clouds and rain, Winter is gone and will not come again.

Old English Rhyme

If you would like someone mentioned in the **Weekly Sick List**, please ring lan 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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2018 PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

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with Nave Altar

THEME Spiritual Disciplines (1) - Introduction

HYMNS 493 (v1-3), 1377, 596, 646, 851, 107 Green Books

SERVICE BOOK Eucharistic Prayer "D"

EPISTLE Philippians 3:7-15a Geoff Lea **GOSPEL** Matthew 13:44-45 Preacher

SERMON Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

INTERCESSIONS Phil Weare

Primary school aged children and younger will go to Hive, and return for the Peace and communion. Secondary school age children will stay in for the whole service.

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

Healing Prayer Team: Following the 10am service the team will be available in the font area to pray with anyone who would like prayer for healing – either for themselves or for another person.

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 <u>switch to 'T' position</u> for best reception.

Instructions for taking Communion

Please wait for the sides-person (who gave you your hymn book) to direct you forwards for communion. If you wish to take communion in your seat please let a sides-person or duty warden know, if possible before the service starts.

6.30 PM MEETING FOR PRAYER

A time to come together in prayer.

Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Epiphany:

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

DIARY

Wednesday 31st January

9.30am *Prayers and Bears* (doors open 8.45) in the WellSpring; 11.30am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Thursday 1st February

7.15pm Film Night: The Boss Baby (U);

Friday 2nd February

7.00pm Choir Practice;

Saturday 3rd February

8.00am Prayer Breakfast (Earlsdon Methodist Church);

Sunday 4th February

8.00am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick; 10.00am Sung Eucharist; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Readings: James 1:19-25 Andrea French;

Luke 10:38-42 Preacher;

Sermon: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick; Minister: Phil Weare;

Intercessions Alison Manning;

6.30pm Choral Evensong; Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Readings: Exodus 3:1-6 Andy Boardman; John 12:27-36a Matthew Horspool;

Anniversaries: We are no longer publishing the anniversaries of birthdays or weddings in the W/L – but we shall continue to celebrate them in our service. This is to comply with the new Data Protection Act.

Piloting a New Service. Today (Sunday 28th January) we are piloting a new approach to our Said Eucharist service that we hold on the 4th Sunday of every month. We will use a simpler liturgy and bring the communion table forward to the chancel steps. We will do this also on 25th February and 25th March. Tulo would greatly value feedback on how you find the new service. Your comments will help the PCC decide whether to make this change to our 4th Sunday service more permanent or just be a temporary change.

Rev'd Dwayne Engh has been appointed to the post of Interim Minister at St Mary Magdalen Church. We send our congratulations to him.

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

NOTICES

Prayer Meeting: This evening (Sunday 28th January) at 6.30pm we are holding our monthly meeting for prayer – fourth Sunday of every month. Do come and share this time of prayer with others.

Good Neighbours Chapelfields and Earlsdon – January 2018: We are planning another round of volunteer introduction sessions:

Monday 29th **January** at Earlsdon Methodist Church, Albany Rd, Coventry CV5 6NF from 7pm – 9 pm, and

Tuesday 30th January at St Mary Magdalen Church, Sir Thomas White's Road, Coventry CV5 8DR from 10.30am – 12.30 pm

There are now 30 volunteers across Chapelfields and Earlsdon. Their regular visits mean older people who feel lonely are cheered by having someone to connect with each week, usually for between 30 – 60 minutes. If you, or someone you know, is interested in volunteering then come along to find out more about how this scheme works, befriending an older person to help them feel less isolated. If you know of an older person who might welcome a visitor, please get in touch with Jessica Moore on 07763908460 or goodneighboursearlsdon@gmail.com

Diary: Winter Ramble & Bring-and-Share Lunch are on Sun, 11th Feb.

Lent Groups: Two study groups will meet throughout Lent to follow the York Course "On the Third Day" with discussions by Libby Lane (Bishop of Stockport), Tom Wright (former Bishop of Durham), Ruth Gee (former President of the Methodist Conference) and Paul Vallely (R.C. journalist & broadcaster). The groups will meet for five consecutive weeks on Tuesdays at 2pm at 45 Ainsbury Road from 20th February and on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Earlsdon Methodist Church. From 21st February. A Lent group will also meet at the vicarage on Wednesdays at 7.30pm from 28th February. Come and sample a 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.

Coventry Vision is where partially-sighted and blind people who are 50+ years old drop in for chat, companionship and coffee on Friday mornings from 10.15 – 12.15. They meet in the Salvation Army Café, Upper Well St., St Michaels, CV1 4AG. Please talk to Tony Irish for further details.

The Diocesan Prayer Diary for February is in the lobby. Please take a copy this morning for your daily use.

Information for inclusion in the WL should be sent in writing to Ian Leitch (email: ianleitch094@btinternet.com or 94, Earlsdon Avenue South) before the copy deadline of 6pm on Wednesday.