OUR PRAYERS

In the Anglican Communion we give thanks for the Anglican Church in Zimbabwe as it works to reduce the stigma against those infected and affected by HIV and AIDS.

In Burundi we pray that You will strengthen your church to stand for the ways of justice and righteousness and to reach out in love to the suffering.

In our diocese in Anti-Bullying Week we pray for all who are being bullied, and for the initiatives that aim to prevent bullying. May there be a raised awareness of bullying, so that all will stand against it.

In our parish we pray for all who live in Earlsdon Avenue, North & South and for the residents and staff of Melbourne House.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of All Souls' Church, for their priest, Father Michael Brandon, and for their deacon, Paul Rabvukwa.

Those in need:

In hospital:

All those who are ill / recovering from surgery / awaiting results of recent medical tests / the housebound, of whom we name today:

Ruby Brown, Don Driver, Brenda Hooper, Mary Maginniss and Diana Thomas.

We commemorate the departed: Stephen Rowley, Bryan Thomas

In Annual Remembrance:

Betty Newman and Stanley Johnson.

The function of prayer is not to influence God, but rather to change the nature of the one who prays. Søren Kierkegaard

If you would like someone mentioned in the **Weekly Sick List**, please email Ian Leitch on ianleitch094@btinternet.com. 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 BEFORE ADVENT SUNDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2018

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

10.00 AM SUNG EUCHARIST President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

HYMNS 127G, 244R, 42G, 483G, 289G, 336R

Red and Green Hymn Books

SERVICE BOOK Eucharist Prayer "G" (p 18 buff)

CHORAL SETTING Mathias

EPISTLE Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 Wena Hughes **GOSPEL** Mark 13:1-8 Preacher

SERMON Jonathan Child

INTERCESSIONS Ian Leitch

The children will withdraw to *Hive*.

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

This morning we welcome the family of **Damilola and Seun Sogbesan**, as we give thanks for the birth of Anjola.

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 to the altar rail. If you wish to take communion in your seat please let a sides-person or duty warden know, if possible before the service starts.

5.00 PM Buzz@StBs Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

A short service for young families with stories, crafts, drama and songs, followed by tea.

Collect for Second Sunday before Advent:

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

DIARY

Wednesday 21st November

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

Thursday 22nd November

7.30pm Deanery Synod (St Martin's Church, Finham);

Friday 23rd November

9.30am Church Knitting Group (office);

7.00pm Choir Practice:

Sunday 25th November

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

Readings: Daniel 7::9-10, 13-14 Dave Butler;

John 18:33-37 Preacher;

Sermon: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick:

Intercessions: Margaret Cuttler;

6.30pm Church Prayer Meeting;

An opportunity to come together in prayer.

Sale of Gifts: Following the Christingle service on 2nd December, there will be stalls in the Hall selling jams, marmalades, cards and knitted & other craft goods made by church members. Buy some useful Christmas presents, while enjoying your after-service refreshments.

Poems and Pies: Share your favourite poem and enjoy a mince pie & a cup of tea in the vicarage on Sat 8th December from 3.00 to 5.00pm. Make a donation to receive a ticket from Marjorie Leitch.

Rev'd Charles Higgins will be licensed as Vicar of St James' Church. Bulkington on Wednesday, 28th November at 7.30. Charles had a placement at St Barbara's for four months last year, and you may wish to support him at his Institution and Induction service.

Biscuit wrappings: Please save your biscuit wrappers and pass them in bundles to Katherine, who can redeem them for cash until 31st December.

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

NOTICES

Buzz @ St B's continues this afternoon (Sunday, 18th November) at 5pm. Do encourage any young families to come and enjoy the service and take part in the craft, drama or musical activities. If you can contribute an item of food for tea, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

The Church of England Children's Society is collecting money to support children who need security. If you don't already have one, please take a small candle-shaped collection box, drop in a few coins and return it at our Christingle service on Sunday, 2nd December. Show a child they are not alone.

Christmas Hamper: We will be selling raffle tickets for a hamper to be drawn shortly before Christmas. If you can contribute an item to the hamper, please pass it to Margaret Cuttler or Andrea Driver.

Coventry Pilgrimage 2018 Walk – 24th November: Bishop Christopher invites everyone to join him on Saturday 24th November at 10am for the final walk of the Coventry Pilgrimage 2018. Pilgrims will meet at All Saints Church, Allesley and walk 3.1 miles via St John the Baptist and Holy Trinity to the old Cathedral ruins for the Litany of Reconciliation at noon, followed by a short service to close the pilgrimage in the new Cathedral. For more information please see the attached flyer or visit the Diocesan Centenary website at www.cov100.org.

Savouring Advent Retreats: An evening retreat for lay leaders to explore the themes of Advent, learn to savour the waiting and find a focus in this busy season. The same event has been arranged in two different places on two different evenings each from 6.30-9.30pm:

Tuesday 27 November, at St John the Baptist Church, Berkswell Thursday 29 November, at All Saints Church, Harbury Book online at www.servingchrist.org.uk. Cost: £6 per person per session (includes hot supper).

Meeting with local Muslims at Igra (on Allesley Old Road) on Saturday. 1st December from 1.30 -2.30pm. After viewing a DVD "In the Footsteps of Francis and the Sultan: a Model for Peace-making" about the meeting between Francis of Assisi and the Sultan al-Kamil which took place in 1219 during the Fifth Crusade, the meeting will discuss peace-making in the modern world

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