

OUR PRAYERS

In the Anglican Communion we give thanks for the Church in Malawi, as it ministers to farmers' groups working to become self-sustaining households.

As schools and colleges return after the break, we praise you for the gifts of education, and for those who labour to teach others. Teach us to recognize our own role in education, and make us heralds of the truth that sets us free.

In our diocese we give thanks and pray for our links to the church at Kaduna in Nigeria, at Kapsabet in Kenya, and to the Syrian Orthodox Church in Jerusalem.

In our parish we pray for all who live in Lynbrook Road & Mayfield Road and for the residents and staff of Beechwood Gardens Care Home.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of Earlsdon Methodist Church and their minister, Rev'd Doreen Koffie-Williams.

Those in need:

In hospital: Peter Shankster

We pray for all in our church family who are ill or housebound, recovering from surgery or awaiting results of recent medical tests.

We commemorate the departed: Wynne Addison and Gay Stopher

In Annual Remembrance:

Mary Lythall, Rose Cross, Jean Greenhill, Enid Pendrous,
Jean Ridgway, Elizabeth Raine and May Crombie.

*There is no place where God is not.
Wherever I go, there God is.
Now and always he upholds me with his power
And keeps me safe in his love.*

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 FIRST SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 2020

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

10.00 AM ALL AGE COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

HYMNS	525, 1076, choir, 43, 546, 418	Green Books
SERVICE BOOK	All Age Communion booklets	
EPISTLE	1 Corinthians 12:12 - 26	
GOSPEL	John 17:20 - 26	
SERMON	Rev'd Tulo Raistrick	
INTERCESSIONS	Ian, Keith, Victoria and Christine	

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.

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.

If you have decided to make our church your spiritual home and would like to introduce yourself to the Vicar, Rev'd Tulo Raistrick, please take a **Yellow Card** from the back of church and hand it to a sidesman or put it in the Vicar's pigeon hole at the back of the church.

Collect for the First Sunday of Epiphany:

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

DIARY

Tuesday 14th January

7.30pm PCC (Vicarage);

Wednesday 15th January

9.30am *Prayers & Bears*, WellSpring (doors open 8.45am);

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

Friday 17th January

9.30am *Busy Bees @ St Bs* aka Knitting & Creatives (office);

7.00pm Choir Practice;

Saturday 18th January – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

6.30pm CTEC Fellowship Meal (Hearsall Baptist Church);

Sunday 19th January

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

10.00am Sung Eucharist; President: Rev'd Norman Stevens;

Readings: Isaiah 49:1-7 Gill Nottingham;

John 1:29 - 42 Preacher

Sermon: Rev'd David Sutcliffe;

Intercessions: Mark Owen;

5.00pm *Buzz @ StBs*; Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

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

6.30pm CTEC United Service (St Mary Magdalen)

In 2020 - Read the Bible in a Year? New decade; New year; New you? How about a goal for a new Spiritual Discipline? A group of us have been on our journey in 2019 of reading the Cover to Cover Complete Bible (Chronological format) In a Year. Have you the desire to read the Bible in A Year / or just read more of it? Would love to have you on board! This year I propose we keep up our habit and read Nicky Gumbel's 'The Bible in One Year: A Commentary' (£17.98 from eden.co.uk). *Bashie Bains*

Sad News. We are sad to let you know that two members of St Barbara's have died in recent days. **Wynne Addison** passed away on New Year's Eve; and **Gay Stopher** died peacefully on Thursday afternoon. We will let you know when their funerals will be. Please pray for their families and friends. May Wynne and Gay rest in peace and rise in glory.

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

NOTICES

The CTEC Fellowship Meal, held each year during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, will be at Hearsall Baptist Church next Saturday (18th January) at 6.30pm. Tickets at £7 per person are available from Andrea Driver and Ian Leitch. When you purchase your ticket, please let them know if you have any special dietary requirements. It is always a most enjoyable evening. This is your last opportunity to obtain a ticket.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity start on Saturday and runs from 18th to 25th January each year. Christians from all denominations observe the Week with joint acts of worship and private study and prayer. The theme of this year's Week is "Unusual Kindness". Churches Together in Britain have published study and prayer materials for each of the eight days. Readings, reflections, prayers, questions to study and actions to take can be freely downloaded as an A5 booklet from the CTBI website at <https://ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2020/> Download these resources and use them in your daily devotions.

Diocesan Courses: Two diocesan courses are starting in the New Year:

- The Bible in Five Acts:* This course gives an overview of the Bible which will help you to place the stories which you already know within the context of the wider biblical story. It will give you a framework with which you can shed light on any Bible passage that you read. The course is on Tuesday Evenings, 7pm-9:30pm, from 14th Jan to 11th Feb in Warwick University Chaplaincy.
- Called: Mission, Ministry and Me:* This course provides a space to think together about what it means to be called by God, to take our place in the mission of God, and to give opportunity to explore both lay and ordained Christian vocation. We hope it will be enjoyable, encouraging and helpful to you in identifying your next step, whatever that may be. It is on Tuesday Evenings, 7pm-9:30pm, from 14th Jan to 11th Feb in All Saints Church, Warwick.

You can find details of these and other courses run by the diocese are at www.dioceseofcoventry.org/BCDM/modules

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.

St Barbara's Church PCC has the Registered Charity Number: 1185293.