

PARISH OF ESHER

CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER with ST GEORGE'S, WEST END
SHARING THE POWER OF GOD'S LOVE IN ESHER
Reconciling - Sustaining - Guiding - Healing

SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

18 NOVEMBER 2018

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES

If you are new to the parish or worshipping with us for the first time please introduce yourselves to a member of the clergy or one of our churchwardens or sidespeople. This sheet gives some words that will be needed in the services and notices about the life of the church communities. Please do take it home.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

TODAY'S SERVICES

9.00am	Sung Communion at St George's led by William Allberry
Reading & Prayers	Jenny Gerrard
Chalice	Ann Willig
10.30am	Parish Communion at Christ Church led by William Allberry
Churchwarden	Sandra Argent
Sides	Wendy Tanqueray, Margaret Dane, Fiona or David Owen
Reading	Miranda Fuller
Prayers	Martin Fuller
Chalice	Margaret Dane, Sue Dunne
12.30pm	Baptism of Scarlett Moore, Elodie Moore and Bear Bond at Christ Church led by William Allberry

MUSIC

Anthem	<i>The Call - No 4 from Five Mystical Songs</i> (Vaughan Williams)
9.00am	Sung Communion
Hymns	698, 755, 584(v 1,8,9,10)
10.30am	Parish Communion
Hymns	698, 704, 584, 791
Organists	Keith Howell-Jones, Stuart Whatton, Nicholas Dibb-Fuller

READING Daniel 12.1-3

At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

PSALM 16

1 Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

2 I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.'

3 As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

4 Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

5 The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

6 The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

7 I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

8 keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

10 For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

11 You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

GOSPEL Mark 13.1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!'

Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?'

Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

PARISH NOTICES

WWI Centenary Commemoration - Music on the Green is pleased to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the 1918 Armistice with the piano, clarinet and poetry of 'Wind & Words' on Wednesday 21 November in Christ Church. Many of the favourite songs that kept up the spirits of our 'Tommys' will be featured. The programme will combine popular early 20th century tunes, including ones by Ivor Novello and Jerome Kern, with moving poetry of that period by Kipling, Siegfried Sassoon and others, all woven into one continuous performance. We hope that this will be a fitting tribute to those who gave so much. Free entry and light lunch from 12.30pm. Concert from 1.10pm. Retiring collection.

Visiting Preacher - Revd Stuart Natrass CBE will lead our services next Sunday. Stuart has been a self-supporting minister for 50 years whilst in a senior role in the Health & Safety Executive, as a director of Crossrail as well as a being a Justice of the Peace for many years.

Christingle Service - Our Parish Christingle Service in partnership with Esher Church School will take place at Christ Church on Sunday 2 December at 10.30am.

#FollowTheStar this Christmas - Christmas brings up so many expectations, emotions and memories. We have one nativity story but we all seem to have very different Christmases. The Church of England's Christmas campaign #FollowTheStar doesn't ask you to be perfect but to just come as you are to take the life-changing Christmas journey. To embark on the journey sign-up for emails at <https://www.churchofengland.org/followthestar>.

Christingles & Christmas Tree at Christ Church - We are looking for help with preparing the Christingle oranges and also setting up/decorating the Christmas Tree on Saturday 1 December at 9/10am. To help see Dawn Davidson or sign-up. Thank you.

Posada Dolls - To make room at home for Mary and Joseph for one night during Advent do sign-up in Christ Church. Pass the Posada dolls to the next person on the list. Thank you.

Interregnum - The Parish of Esher is in a temporary period of being without a Rector, known as an Interregnum ('between reigns') or a Vacancy. The legal responsibility for the parish rests with the churchwardens, Sandra Argent and Beverley Eastwood-Taylor, and supported by the PCC. We will follow a process laid down by the Church of England to find and choose a new Rector. We will fully engage the parish, we will keep you informed of progress and will seek your views, feedback and opinions as and when appropriate.

Parish Christmas Lunch - The Christmas Lunch will take place on Sunday 9 December at 12.30pm at the Bear. Two course menu, filter coffee and gratuity. Price £25 per person. Space is limited to 44 guests. All welcome. If interested please contact the Parish Office.

Esher Church School Christmas Bazaar - Saturday 24 November, 11.30am-2pm. Listen to the choir, enjoy some mulled wine and start the Christmas shopping! All welcome.

Elmbridge Foodbank - The Elmbridge Foodbank would like to thank everyone for their donations at the recent Harvest Service and for all ongoing support of the foodbank. Financial donations are also welcome to help cover running costs. Thank you.

Moss, the sheep - Could you knit a few sheep, please. If so the office has a pattern. Thanks.

Please stay for coffee or tea after the service.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: Naomi Shaw, Tara Duffy, Jackie Hinton, Shirley Marshall, Yasmin Ingram, Betty Walker, Margaret Williams, Beverley Eastwood-Taylor

RIP Anniversaries: Peter Page, William Ward, Harry Henry, Denis King, Arthur Franklyn, Pauline Franklyn

Baptisms: Scarlett Moore, Elodie Moore, Bear Bond

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Taken from the Church of England Lectionary - readings for Morning Prayer are given below. All are welcome to use Christ Church for daily prayer.

November		Time	Reading
Monday	19		Daniel 8.1-14; Ps 47; Revelation 10
Tuesday	20		Daniel 8.15-end; Ps 52; Revelation 11.1-14
Wednesday	21		Daniel 9.1-19; Ps 56; Revelation 11.15-end
Thursday	22		Daniel 9.20-end; Ps 62; Revelation 12
Friday	23		Daniel 10.1-11.1; Ps 63; Revelation 13.1-10

LOOKING AHEAD

November		Time	Event
Sunday	18	12.30pm	Baptism Service, Christ Church
		5.30pm	Voyagers, Esher Church School
Wednesday	21	12.30pm	Music on the Green lunchtime concert: World War One Centenary Commemoration
Thursday	22	10.00am	Fellowship Group
Sunday	25	8.00am	Sunday Morning Prayer
		5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School
Wednesday	28	8.00pm	Parochial Church Council (PCC) Meeting
December		Time	Event
Saturday	1	9.00am	Preparation of Christingle Oranges and setting up and decoration of Christmas Tree
		11.45am	Arbrook House Care Home Communion
Sunday	2	10.30am	Christingle Service, Christ Church
		3.30pm	Tomita Piano Student Concert, Christ Church
		5.30pm	Voyagers, Esher Church School
Monday	3	2.00pm	Buttons & Bows Carol Concert, St George's
Tuesday	4	8.00pm	Prayer for our Churches, Christ Church

CONTACTS

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All main events at Christ Church unless stated otherwise