

The Church in Warden Hill

CHRISTMAS LUNCH WITH THE WSG – The Wednesday Social Group are going out for a Christmas Lunch on 5th December and would like to invite you to join them. It doesn't matter if you don't come to their meetings regularly, you will still be welcome. We are going to Brickhampton Court and the price is £22 for a two course meal £25 for three course. The coach cost is included and we will leave St Christopher's at 11.30am and return about 3.30pm. If you would like more details see Brian as soon as possible.

EMMANUEL FESTIVAL OF DECORATED CHRISTMAS TREES

A reminder that this will take place the weekend of 7th-9th December.

Opening times (adults £2.50, under 16's free):

Friday, **6pm-9pm** (with carols, mulled wine and mince pies)

Saturday, **11am-5pm** (Cheltenham Children's Choir 11.15)

Sunday, **2pm-6pm**. Carol Concert by Cotswold Male Voice Choir and Nauton Park Primary School Saturday **7pm** (Tickets £6, under 16's free)

Contact: Jackie Dunlop 580731 or jac@dunlopost.co.uk

FOODBANK We are currently short of tinned meat, pasta sauce, sweets/ chocolate, LHT milk, LHT fruit juice, instant coffee, packet desserts and toiletries, washing-up liquid and washing powder. Thank you for your ongoing support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

1st December	X:site at St. C's large hall 6-8pm (for 7-11 yr. olds)
2nd December	Gift Service 10.30am at St Christopher's Team Advent Carols 6pm at St Stephen's
3rd December	Tree Lighting, St Christopher's garden 5.30pm
3rd December	Carol Supper 7pm at URCC
8th December	Christmas Fair 10am—12 noon at St Christopher's
15th December	Community Film Show 2.30pm URC Centre
16th December	Carol Service at St Peter's 6pm
22nd December	Carol Singing for Christian aid 11am-12 noon Morrison's
23rd December	Carol Service at St Christopher's 6pm
24th December	Crib Service at St Christopher's 4pm

Arrangements for Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child, Baptism, Confirmation, Banns of Marriage, etc., should be made with any one of the Clergy.

If you are aware of anyone who is ill, in hospital, or in need of a pastoral visit please contact Clergy, Elders or Readers.

Without your information we are unable to provide pastoral care.

If you have anything for the Grapevine please hand it to

Edna Willox (grapevine@tcwh.org.uk Tel 510773) by early Wednesday evening



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(Anglican & URC)

Welcome



**THE GRAPEVINE 25th NOVEMBER
CHRIST THE KING**

10.30am Family Communion

6pm Worship at URCC

580 Rejoice, the Lord is King

Psalm: 93

551 O Worship the King (omit 3 & 4)

156 Faithful shepherd, feed me

31 An army of ordinary people

Revelation 1.4b-8
John 18.33-37

No collection is taken during the service but there will be a box at the back of church before and following the service for your offerings.

Please join us in the hall after the Sunday morning service for tea or coffee

Calendar: Morning Prayer is said at St C's:
8am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday and 8.30am Tuesday

Mon 26		16.00 and 17.15 Rainbows at URCC	
Tue 27	10.30 Holy Communion at URC Centre	17.15 Brownies at URC Centre	19.30 House group
Wed 28	9.15 Little Shepherds	14.00 Wednesday Social Group	19.00 Bellringing
Thu 29	Red Wednesday	17.30 Beavers 18.00 Brownies	18.45 Cubs 19.30 Gardening Club 19.45 Scouts
Fri 30			18.00 Choir practice
Sat 01			18.00-20.00 X:site
Sun 02	10.30 Family Worship Advent Sunday Gift Service		18.00 Team Advent Service at St Stephens

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SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS Please join me for this service this Sunday evening, 25th November 6pm at the URCC where we will listen, sing and pray for God's healing and wholeness. Revd Gary.

16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE The Mothers' Union is part of the international campaign, which runs from the International Day for the Elimination of Violence (25th November) to the UN Human Rights Day (10th December). Please pray for events taking place throughout the world.

GIFT SERVICE next Sunday morning. The Salvation Army have requested gifts (new, unwrapped) for 0 - 16 year olds. Please be your usual generous selves.

TEAM ADVENT CAROL SERVICE next Sunday evening 6pm at St. Stephen's (note: no service at St. Christopher's)

RED WEDNESDAY coming his week - 28th. Information in the Prayer Corner; please pray for those who are persecuted because of their faith in Jesus.

WHAT ABOUT ADVENT? Starting next Sunday, no flowers in church, just greenery. purple drapes as it's a penitential season, like Lent. What do you do to mark it? Many of us have food and gifts on our mind leading up to Christmas Day, but perhaps we can include five minutes each day for a bit of thoughtful calm? There will be a couple of books in the Prayer Corner specially for Advent, containing a poem a day, which have certainly enriched my Advent in previous years; feel free to borrow for the season.

OWEN BARRACLOUGH Dear Friends, Owen Barraclough will be marking the 60th anniversary of his priesting on the Feast of St Thomas (21st December). Owen will preside at a thanksgiving service of Holy Communion in the Memorial chapel of St Philip and St James Leckhampton at 12noon on that day, assisted by Revd. Nick Davies, Team Rector. Light refreshments will be served afterwards. All are very welcome, please RSVP to Laura Evans on info@pipandjims.org.uk or by ringing 573508.

CLEANER The cleaner of St Christopher's halls will be retiring after many years of service. We are now looking for someone else, the work is about 8 hours per week. If you know of anyone who might be interested, ask them to contact us on 01242 242831. Feel free to chat to Trish or Dorothy if you have questions.

Website for The Church in Warden Hill is www.tciwh.org.uk

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PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR those areas of the world affected by natural disasters

We continue to pray for everyone listed in the Prayer Corner book and on the prayer board.

Also pray for those caught up in gender violence.

CHRISTMAS FAIR this month we are collecting items for the hamper raffle, there is a list at the back of church to sign up to or for ideas. Bottles will still be gratefully received . If you would like to help at the fair please let Debbie or Ann know.

THE SOWER: ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS ACTORS NEEDED a SECOND Read-through of the new drama for Christian Arts Festival 2019 is on Tuesday 4th December, 7.30pm at St Michael's Church, Bishops Cleeve. Any budding thespians please go along to have a go. Details: nikki@christianartsfestival.org

SUPERDRY CHRISTMAS CAROLS Tuesday 18th December doors open 5.30pm starting 6pm until 7pm. Free to attend with a £5 suggested donation. All profits of the night go to The Prince's Trust.

Weekly Prayer Focus

25th	The elderly	29th	Emergency services
26th	South Cheltenham Team	30th	Open the Book
27th	Ecumenical Council & PCC	1st	Salisbury Avenue & Katharine Court
28th	Little Shepherds	2nd	Woodlands Road & Silverthorne Close

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