

## OUR PRAYERS

**In the Anglican Communion** we give thanks for the commitment of the Church of Bangladesh to reach out to poor and vulnerable communities.

**In Burundi** we pray for those seeking the way of violence that they would instead seek reconciliation between all parties.

**In our diocese** we pray that as familiar carols are sung, the words and meaning of these songs would be embraced afresh by all who sing them.

**In our parish** we pray for all who live in Osborne Road & Palmerston Road and for the residents and staff of St Andrew's House.

**In our CTEC Prayer Cycle** we pray for the members of Earlsdon Methodist Church and their minister, Rev'd Mary Shannahan.

### Those in need:

In hospital: Kay Whitney & Ruth Sutcliffe (wife of Rev'd David Sutcliffe)

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

Ruby Brown, Dorothy Hope  
and Mason Thompson (Rachel Moorley's grandfather)

### We commemorate the departed:

#### In Annual Remembrance:

Margaret Drabwell, Patricia Mann, Susan Campbell, Charlotte Hayward,  
Mildred Bowskill, Pauline Watts, Jennifer Walters, Benjamin Brobbey,  
Thomas Faulkner and Eleanor Wells.

*Sow for yourselves righteousness, reap steadfast love;  
Break up your fallow ground for it is time to seek the Lord,  
That he may come and rain righteousness upon you.  
Hosea 10:12*

If you would like someone mentioned in the **Weekly Sick List**, please ring Ian 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 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017 GAUDETE SUNDAY

**8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION**

**President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

**10.00 AM SUNG EUCHARIST**

**President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

### HYMNS

27R, Psalm 126 (BCP p 516), 244R, Sheet, 484R,  
559G Red & Green Hymn Books

### SERVICE BOOK

Advent (p1 white) with Eucharistic Prayer "E"

### CHORAL SETTING

Appleford

### OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Gill Nottingham

### GOSPEL

John 1:6-8, 19-28

Preacher

### SERMON

Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

### MINISTER

Dan Rathbone

### INTERCESSIONS

Ian Leitch

### We light the third candle on the Advent ring:

Lord Jesus, light of the world, John told the people to prepare,  
For you were very near. As Christmas grows closer day by day,  
Help us to be ready to welcome you now. Amen.

Watching, waiting, help us to be ready for you, Jesus. Amen.

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.

**6.30 PM CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE**

**Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

### SERVICE BOOK

Special Service booklet (with carols).

### INTERCESSIONS

Dan Rathbone

### Collect for the Third Sunday of Advent:

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## DIARY

### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December

7.00am Carol Singing at Aylesdene Court; All welcome;

### Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

9.30am Earlsdon Primary School Christmas Service (Church);

2.00pm CTEC Advent Group at 45 Ainsbury Road;

### Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

9.30am *Prayers and Bears* (doors open 8.45) in the WellSpring;

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

7.30pm Home Group (vicarage) – Advent reflections;

7.30pm CTEC Advent Group, WellSpring Lounge of Earlsdon Methodist Church

### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

7.00pm Choir Practice;

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December

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

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

Readings: Isaiah 62:6-*end* Dave Butler;

Luke 1:26-38, 19-28 Preacher;

Sermon: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Minister: Keith Wright; Intercessions: Margaret Cuttler;

Followed by Ministry of Healing Prayer;

5.30pm Nativity and Crib Service; Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

11.30pm Midnight Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Readings: Titus 2:11-14 Andrea Driver

Luke 2:8-20 Preacher;

Sermon: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Intercessions: Andrea Driver;

**Birthday congratulations to** Geraint Buxton (5 on Thursday) and to Liz Hearn (Saturday).

**Our Nativity and Crib Service** will be next Sunday afternoon (24<sup>th</sup> December) at 5.30pm. Encourage your young friends to come and join in as an angel or a shepherd. It is always our most popular service of the whole year, so please come in good time, as seats begin filling very early.

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

## NOTICES

**CTEC Advent Groups** continue this week with the third session of the Advent course *So what are you waiting for?* Prepared by Rev'd Lucy Winkett. One group will meet on Tuesday afternoon from 2 -3.30pm at 45 Ainsbury Road; its final meeting will be on Tues 9<sup>th</sup> January. The Wednesday evening group will meet in the WellSpring at 7.30pm, and its final meeting will be on Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> January. Also, Tulo is leading a group on Wednesday evening that will reflect on Advent through words, pictures and music. Come and sample either 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.

**Christmas Carol Service** takes place this evening (17<sup>th</sup> Dec) at 6.30pm. Be sure to come. Donations of mince pies will add to the celebration afterwards.

**The Rev'd Tim Brooke** is celebrating his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with friends and people from the charities and churches he works with in St Barbara's Church Hall on **Saturday 13 January from 3 30 to 5 00pm**. If anyone from St Barbara's would like to join him and Gill (for tea and cake), please reply to [brooke@care4free.net](mailto:brooke@care4free.net) or 024 7667 9126 or 80 Broadway CV5 6NU not later than Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> December (places are limited - first come, first served!).

**Poems and Pies:** Many thanks to everyone who participated. Your interesting selection of favourite poems made for a most enjoyable afternoon. Thank you also for your generous donations, which raised £107 for church funds. Most of all, a big "Thank you" to the vicarage family for kindly hosting the event.

**Flowers in Church:** A calendar for the whole of 2018 is on the board in the lobby. If you would like to make a donation towards the church flowers, perhaps in memory of a loved one, please enter the details on the calendar and pass your contribution to Andrea Driver.

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

**If you wish** to receive the Weekly Leaflet by email each week, please email Ian Leitch on [ianleitch094@btinternet.com](mailto:ianleitch094@btinternet.com)