

## OUR PRAYERS

**In the Anglican Communion** we pray for peace in the Holy Land and reconciliation between the parties. We pray for those Palestinians whose homes and olive groves are being seized, bulldozed and destroyed.

**In Burundi** we pray for the surrounding countries that they may remain at peace, act justly and broker a just settlement.

**In our diocese** we hold before You all rough sleepers, and we pray for the people preparing food in homeless shelters and hostels around the country. May their efforts to feed, clothe and give shelter bring God's blessing to many during this season.

**In our parish** we pray for all who live in Pilkington Road & Poplar Road and for the residents and staff of Aylesdene Court.

**In our CTEC Prayer Cycle** we pray for all members of our partner churches, that we may continue to work and worship together in ways that build up our common life.

**We pray for** Ruth Sutcliffe, the wife of Rev'd David Sutcliffe, and Judy King (Peter Shankster's sister), who are in hospital, for Kay Whitney and all those in our church family who are ill, awaiting results of recent medical tests, or housebound.

### **We commemorate the departed:**

#### **In Annual Remembrance:**

Frank Chambers, Geoff Cuttler, Eira Matthews, Reg Watkin,  
Alfred Hill, Alice Rickards, John Pavitt and Frank Hill.

*God grant us the light of Christmas, which is faith;  
the warmth of Christmas, which is purity;  
the righteousness of Christmas, which is justice;  
the belief in Christmas, which is truth;  
the **all** of Christmas, which is Christ.*

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](mailto:prayerchstb@gmail.com).



## ST BARBARA'S EARLSDON FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017 CHRISTMAS EVE

**8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION**

**President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

**10.00 AM SUNG EUCHARIST**

**President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

**HYMNS** 408, Magnificat (BCP p19), 192, 1050, 739, 23

Green Hymn Books

**SERVICE BOOK** Advent (p1 white) with Eucharistic Prayer "E"

**CHORAL SETTING** Appleford

**OLD TESTAMENT**

Isaiah 62:6-*end*

Dave Butler

**GOSPEL**

Luke 1:26-38

Preacher

**SERMON**

Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

**INTERCESSIONS**

Margaret Cuttler

### **We light the fourth candle on the Advent ring:**

Lord Jesus, light of the world, blessed is Gabriel, who brought good news;

Blessed is Mary, your mother and ours.

Bless your church preparing for Christmas;

And bless us your children, who long for your coming. Amen.

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

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

**Healing Prayer Team:** Following the 10am service the team will be available in the font area to pray with anyone who would like prayer for healing – either for themselves or for another person.

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.

**5.30 PM NATIVITY AND CRIB SERVICE**

**Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

**11.30 PM MIDNIGHT COMMUNION**

**President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

For details, please see overleaf.

### **Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Advent:**

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017  
CHRISTMAS EVE**

**11.30 PM MIDNIGHT COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

<b>HYMNS</b>	438, 243, 498, 155	Green Hymn Books
<b>SERVICE BOOK</b>	Midnight Communion Service Booklet	
<b>EPISTLE</b>	Titus 2:11-14	Andrea Driver
<b>GOSPEL</b>	Luke 2:8-20	Preacher
<b>SERMON</b>	Ed Manning	
<b>INTERCESSIONS</b>	Andrea Driver	

**We light the final candle on the Advent ring:**

Lord Jesus, Light of light, You have come among us.  
Help us who live by your light to shine as lights in your world.  
Glory to God in the highest. Amen.

Watching, waiting, help us to receive you this day, Jesus. Amen.

**Collect for Christmas Night:**

Eternal God, who made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of your one true light: bring us, who have known the revelation of that light on earth, to see the radiance of your heavenly glory; 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.

**THE VICAR AND CHURCHWARDENS WISH YOU  
A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS**

**MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017  
CHRISTMAS DAY**

**10.00 AM ALL AGE CHRISTMAS COMMUNION**

**President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick**

<b>HYMNS</b>	140, 33, 688, 1350, 36, 408	Green Hymn Books
<b>SERVICE BOOK</b>	Christmas Day Family Communion Booklets	
<b>OLD TESTAMENT</b>	Isaiah 52:7-10	Mark Owen
<b>GOSPEL</b>	John 1:1-14	Preacher
<b>SERMON</b>	Rev'd Tulo Raistrick	
<b>INTERCESSIONS</b>	Liz Hearn	

**Collect for Christmas Day:**

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; 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.

**We light the final candle on the Advent ring:**

Lord Jesus, Light of light, You have come among us.  
Help us who live by your light, to shine as lights in your world.  
Glory to God in the highest.  
Amen.

Watching, waiting, help us to receive you this day, Jesus. Amen.

**DIARY**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December**

No *Prayers and Bears* during school holidays;  
No midweek Communion;

2.30pm House Communion at Aylesdene Court (Harry Johnson);

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> December**

No Choir practice;

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December**

8.00am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tim Brooke;  
10.00am Sung Eucharist; President: Ven Alan Hawker;  
Readings: Galatians 4:4-17 Ed Manning;  
Luke 2:15-21 Preacher;  
Sermon: Ven Alan Hawker;  
Minister: Dan Rathbone; Intercessions: Elaine Parnell;

**Congratulations to Louise and Andrew Moore, who celebrate their twentieth wedding anniversary on Wednesday.**

**Christmas Cards:** Please check the pigeon holes under both surname and Christian name for any cards sent to you. Some have been delivered by Christian name, rather than the more usual surname.

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

**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.