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Sunday 10 December 2006

Advent 2

9.15 am Sung Eucharist

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President and Preacher: Michael Burns

Theme: It had been prophesied that there would be a messenger to prepare the way for the coming of the Messiah. Now John the Baptist appears with his urgent message of repentance.

Readings: **Malachi 3: 1 – 4** p. 961

The writer predicts the arrival of God's messenger.

Philippians 1: 3 – 11 p. 1178

Paul writes to the Church in Philippi and encourages them to carry the message carefully to the end of the age.

Luke 3: 1 – 6 p. 1029

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Hymns

Introit: Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes **NEH 6**

Gradual: The Benedictus (Song of Zechariah)

All stand and sing the Gloria

Offertory: O come, O come, Emmanuel **NEH 11**

Communion: O, most merciful! O, most bountiful **NEH 301**

Anthem: Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake
– a piece for Advent penitence *(Farrant d. 1580)*

Final: On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry **NEH 12**

The Prayer Chapel is always available for quiet and prayer. If you want anything prayed for in the coming week(s) please write details in the diary and there is also opportunity to light a candle for someone

Do stay for coffee or tea in the Hall

11.00am Morning Worship Holy Communion
including prayers for healing led by Michael Burns

Dates for your Diary

Monday 11 December

9.15am Morning Prayer
No Evening Prayer tonight

Tuesday 12 December

10.00am Holy Communion
5.30pm Evening Prayer
8.00pm Halls Management Committee at the Vicarage

Wednesday 13 December

9.15am Morning Prayer
1.30pm **“Round the Crib” for Toddlers and their Carers**
from Charlie’s Angels (for 10 minutes)
1.45pm Charlie’s Angels meet in Meeting Room 1
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 14 December

9.15am Holy Communion
10.30am – 2.00pm **OPEN DOOR CAFÉ**
5.30pm Evening Prayer
7.00pm **Uniformed Organisations Christingle Service**

Friday 15 December

9.15am Morning Prayer

Saturday 16 December

9.15am Morning Prayer

Sunday 17 December: Advent 3

9.15am **Sung Eucharist**
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Readings – Zephaniah 3: 14 – end p. 947
Philippians 4: 4 – 7 p. 1181
Luke 3: 7 - 18 p. 1029

11.00am **Morning Worship and Nativity Play**

4.30pm **Christmas Carol Service, followed by refreshments in the Hall**

Collection in aid of the Peace Hospice in Watford.

Prayer, News, Action

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who contributed in any way to last weekend’s hugely successful and enjoyable Bazaar. The profit was over £3,000 (only £200 down on last year), which was an excellent result. So many contributed so much – but special thanks are due to Sandie Fenech, Joy Rowley, Joanne Maddock Lyon and Ann Davy, as well as to Jean Emmans and the Open Door Café team. If you have any constructive comments to make next year’s even better, let us know. Next year’s Christmas Bazaar will be on **Saturday 24 November 2007, from 11am – 3pm.**

TO TAKE from the table in Church:

- ❖ ALPHA (pink) **(please see the back page of notices)**
- ❖ 2007 diaries (free)
- ❖ Michael’s Messages (yellow)
- ❖ Living Light Bible Readings (in Resources Catalogue)
- ❖ Christmas Services details (purple)
- ❖ The new internal Church members telephone list (pink)

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH at Wyllyotts. Di Travers (656311) would love you to be a part of the Churches Together Team preparing the Christmas Day celebration at the 60+ Club. She needs the following help – **especially drivers:**

- Cooks Any offers of help will be
- Servers gladly welcomed by Di on
- Drivers 01707 656311

HELP NEEDED at the following Services:

- ❖ Volunteers to sing at the Uniformed Christingle on **Thursday 14 December at 7.00pm**
- ❖ Volunteers to sing at the **Christmas Eve** Christingle at **6.00pm**
- ❖ Volunteers to sing on **Christmas morning** at 10.30am
- ❖ Stewards needed for all Services on **Christmas Eve** - **ie at 4.00pm, 6.00pm and 11.30pm**

If you can help, please sign **TODAY** the list that is at the back of the Church.

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Welcome, Notices and Call to Worship

Song: Glory, glory, glory to the highest

Confession and Absolution

Reading: **Malachi 3: 1 – 4 p. 961** read by David Thomson
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Song: For the joys and for the sorrows
(during which the Collection will be taken)

Reading: **Luke 3: 1 – 6 p. 1029** read by David Thomson
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Address: Michael Burns

Prayers: led by Michael Burns

The Peace

Song: There is a Redeemer

The Blessing of Bread and Wine

Song during Communion: Beauty for brokenness

Final Prayer and Blessing

Song: Make Way

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