

King Charles the Martyr Church

Mutton Lane, Potters Bar

Sunday 2 December 2007

Advent Sunday

9.15 am Sung Eucharist

The Quiet Room in the North Porch is available for parents and babies to use.

President: The Revd. Michael Burns

Preacher: The Revd John Maddock-Lyon who assists in the Alnwick Deanery in Northumberland and whom we warmly welcome back.

Theme: We are to wake up and make sure we stay ready for the second coming

Readings: **Isaiah 2/1-5 p 686** read by William Reeve
We are given a familiar and vivid image of how God's 'power' works. It is the force of love and peace

Romans 13/11-end p 1140

Paul tells us of his sense of the pressing urgency of God's purpose – a future of light and lively energy.

Matthew 24/36-44 p 994 read by Michael Burns

We have to be alert and to offer ourselves to God as his willing agents

Hymns:

Introit: Hark the glad sound **NEH 6**

Gradual: Psalm 122 - stand to sing the Gloria together

Offertory: We pray thee, heavenly Father **NEH 311**

Communion: Creator of the stars **NEH 1**

Antem: Thou knowest Lord the secrets of our hearts - Purcell 1659-1695

Final: Soldiers of Christ arise **NEH 449**

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

You are warmly welcome to stay for coffee in the Hall

Today

11.0am

Morning Worship led by Michael Burns with the Children's Groups and Crèche

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 3 December

9.15am Morning Prayer
No Evening Prayer

Tuesday 4 December

10.00am Holy Communion
11.0am Funeral of Danny Hartley
2.30pm Funeral of Jack Owen
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 5 December

9.15am Morning Prayer
1.30pm Charlie's Angels in MR1
2.30pm Wednesday Break in MOH
Video – The Longleat Experience
No Evening Prayer

Thursday 6 December

9.15am Morning Prayer
10.30am–2pm Open Door Café
No Evening Prayer
8.00pm PCC Meeting in MR2

Friday 7 December

9.15am Morning Prayer
9.45am Cleaning Team 1

Saturday 8 December

9.15am Morning Prayer

Sunday 9 December Advent 2

9.15am **Sung Eucharist**
President Michael Burns
Preacher Trevor Alexander
Readings: Isaiah 11/1-10 p 696
Romans 15/4-13 p 1141
Matthew 3/1-12 p 967
11.0am **Morning Worship Holy Communion** including Prayers
for Healing led by Michael Burns.
Preacher: Trevor Alexander

Prayer, News, Action

The Christmas Bazaar – thank you to everyone who contributed in any way. It was a wonderful day, which required an enormous effort of work, but the atmosphere was very special and was favorably commented on by many. Thank you especially to Joy, Joanne, Sandie and Ann for their co-coordinating work and thank you to Phil and Jean and the Open Door Café team. The profit figure is not yet accurately known – but is approaching the £3000 mark – about the same as in 2006 – a magnificent result yet again. The planning group will be meeting soon to review how it all went – if you have any comments to help make next year even better, please let us know.

The date in 2008 will be **29 November 2008!**

A sum of money was found in a donated item at the Bazaar. To retrieve it, please speak to Michael.

Jack Owen of Wyllyotts Close died peacefully after a long period of ill-health. All are welcome to his Funeral. Family flowers only – donations to charity. We pray for Kate and the family.

11am Coffee rota still needs 1 or 2 more volunteers. See Michael if you can help.

Christmas will soon be upon us. There is a lot to organise – not least the organisation of the 8 services that will be held at Church.

- There is a particular need for Welcomers/Stewards at these services – particularly important at the two Christingle Services. No experience of crowd control needed – training given!
- There is a need for singers to accompany the musicians at certain services.

There is a chart on the notice board at the back of the Church detailing all these needs. Please could you sign up as soon as possible if you are willing to help? This is really important and means that Michael can have a worry-free December!

Churches Together are organizing lunch on Christmas Day for those who might be on their own. They are in need of people to assist with the food preparation, as well as drivers and servers. Please call Di Travers

ACT 4 have written of two urgent needs which they currently have:

1. ACT 4 are in dire need of **spare room** or accommodation for both of their overseas volunteers. If anyone can help in this we would love to hear from you - please contact Sam or Luisa on 01707 665551 for information and offers of help.
2. ACT 4 are looking for a **Minutes Secretary** for their six meetings per year. They are also looking for two **Trustees** to help expand the work of the Charity. Ideally they are looking for skills in business management, finance or education. If you would like to know more about either of these positions then Terry Over on 01707 654552.

Giving Envelopes for 2008 are now available. Please collect your pack. If you do not yet take envelopes and would like to use a free set for your weekly Offertory money, then please speak in confidence to our Hon. Treasurer, Jean Emmans

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Welcome and Notices and Opening Prayer

Song: Make Way

Talk and the Lord's Prayer

Song: Who can know?

(during which the Collection will be taken)

The children and young people leave for their groups

Confession, Absolution and Creed

Reading Isaiah 2/1-5 p 686 read by Penny Thomson

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Song Oh to see the dawn

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Address John Maddock-Lyon

Song Great is the darkness

Prayers Janet Smith

Closing Prayer and Blessing

Song Our God reigns

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