

# King Charles the Martyr Church

Mutton Lane, Potters Bar

Sunday 29 November 2009

Advent Sunday

9.15 am Sung Eucharist

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

**President and Preacher:** The Revd. Michael Burns

**Theme:** The gathered hopes of generations remind us to get ourselves ready, so that Christ's return will be a day of excitement and great joy.

**Readings:** **Jeremiah 33/14-16 p 796** read by Judith Reeve  
The prophet, writing at a time of uncertainty, sees the future joy in a new king of the old house of David. In such a one lies hope of better things.

**1 Thessalonians 3/9-13 p 1187** read by Judith Reeve  
The oldest of Paul's letters shows affection for Paul's new gentile converts. He has all the instincts of the true pastor.

**Luke 21/25-36 p 1057** read by Michael Burns  
A vivid picture of the coming 'winding up' of the world with the return of Jesus in triumph and judgment. Even though that early hope was not fulfilled, the essential confidence in God remains.

**Prayers:** Jean Emmans

**Hymns:**  
Introit: Hark the glad sound **NEH 6**  
Gradual: Psalm 25 **NEH 528**  
Offertory: Lo! He comes with clouds descending **NEH 9**  
Communion: Creator of the stars of night **NEH 1**  
*Anthem Turn thy face from sins (Attwood)*  
Final: Thine for ever, God of love **NEH 463**

*The Prayer Chapel is always available for quiet and prayer. If you want anyone/anything prayed for in the coming week, please write details in the diary; there is also an opportunity to light a candle for someone . . . . .*

***You are warmly welcome to stay for refreshments in the Hall***

11.0am Morning Worship led by Michael Burns with Crèche and Children's Groups

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

**Those who are unwell** – Ted Connah, Mavis Nicholls, Michael Bailey, Gill Syms

**Those who have died** – Brenda Connah

**Those whose anniversary of death falls this week** –

Gladys Munday, Margaret Old,

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## Dates for your Diary

### Today

- 3.00pm Concert at Christ Church  
6.30pm Advent Procession and Service at St Mary's

### Monday 30 November

- 9.15am Morning Prayer  
No Evening Prayer

### Tuesday 1 December

- 10.00am Holy Communion  
11.00am Mothers Union Branch Meeting  
Speaker: Michael Burns  
No Evening Prayer

### Wednesday 2 December

- 9.15am Morning Prayer  
1.30pm Charlie's Angels in MR1  
2.30pm Wednesday Break in MOH  
A board games afternoon  
5.30pm Evening Prayer

### Thursday 3 December

- 9.15am Holy Communion  
10.30am-2pm Open Door Café  
5.30pm Evening Prayer  
7.30pm Prayer and Compline  
8.00pm PCC Meeting in MR2

### Friday 4 December

- 9.15am Morning Prayer  
6-7pm Carols at Station (Churches Together)  
7.30pm Choir Practice

### Saturday 5 December

- 8-9am Churches Together Prayers at the Baptist Church  
9.15am Morning Prayer

### Sunday 6 December Advent 1

Readings: Malachi 3/1-4, Phillippians 1/3-11 and Luke 3/1-6

- 9.15am **Sung Eucharist**  
President: The Revd. Guy Bustard  
Preacher: Trevor Alexander  
11.00am **Morning Worship with Crèche and Children's Groups**  
led by Trevor Alexander  
6.30pm Farewell Evensong to Robin Brown at St Alban's Abbey

## Prayer, News, Action

**A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who has played their part in yesterday's Christmas Bazaar. It is always a huge corporate effort and it is so encouraging to see everyone involved together. A special thank you goes to Jo, Ann, Sandie and Joy for together leading everything so successfully and happily.

**NATIVITY PLAY on Sunday 20 December at 11am** will be a bit different this year and will be something of a spontaneous event. The Children's Group leaders are asking families to be involved in different scenes – Elaine Hartland has the details. We would like a short run through after the 11am service on Sunday 13 December for as many of those in the set scenes who would be available. In addition, we will welcome the involvement of all the children, of whatever age, of the day and ask that they come on the day, dressed as either shepherds or angels, according to choice! There will be a short rehearsal at 11am on Sunday 20 December before the play itself towards the latter part of Morning Worship.

**CHURCH CLEANING** – we are very grateful to all those who, working in 2 teams, clean the Church once a month. Their work is much appreciated. There are a couple of vacancies for either Team – one cleans on a Thursday evening and the other on a Friday morning – both for a couple of hours once a month. If you would like to join, please give your name to Michael

**CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH** is again being organised by Churches Together. If there is anyone who would be willing to co-ordinate the cooking and serving of the food please ring Di Travers on 656311.

**THE CONGREGATION TELEPHONE LIST** has been amended. Please take a moment to check the draft and make any corrections before final printing.

**A NEW IDEA FOR SENDING CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO OTHER MEMBERS OF KCM** – Averil Pye has suggested that members of KCM might like to sign a large star shaped card, which will be in Church on 6 December, and write a greeting to all at KCM – and, in lieu of the cost of sending individual cards, make a donation for the work of World Vision. We will, as usual, be putting up our A to Z Christmas Card Holder for individual cards to be given and again encouraging donations, in lieu of the cost, for Crisis.

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**Welcome, Notices and Opening Prayer**

**Song** Make Way

**Talk, Lighting the Advent Candle and the Lord's Prayer**

**Song** Faithful One

*(during which the Collection will be taken)*

**The children and young people leave for their groups**

**Confession, Absolution and Creed**

**Reading** **Jeremiah 33/14-16 p 796** read by Ray Smith

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**Song** Great is the darkness

**Reading** **Luke 21/25-36 p 1057** read by Ray Smith

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**Address** Michael Burns

**Songs** O Lord the clouds are gathering

Who can know the mind of our Creator

**Prayers** Cynthia Cook

**Final Prayer and the Blessing**

**Song** Our God reigns

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