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WEEKLY NOTESFourth Sunday of Advent

19th December 2010

This morning there is a very brief service of "Short Mattins" at 11am followed by the decoration of the church for Christmas. Everyone is invited to stay— or to come back— to help with this, and refreshments will be served.

Sunday Prayer Cycle

We pray today for the church and for the world, and especially for in the Anglican Communion, the province of Brazil; for the Bishop of Guildford's Foundation; for the parish members of the Mothers' Union; and for all who live in Mongers Lane.

Collect and Post-communion Prayer (at 8am and 9.30am)

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.

Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

REGULAR SERVICES THIS WEEK

IN CHURCH (all welcome at these services)	Morning Prayer	Holy Eucharist	Evening Prayer
Monday	9am	-	-
Tuesday	9am	10am (parish room)	5pm
Wednesday	-	-	-
Thursday	9am	-	5pm
Friday - Christmas Eve	9am	11.45pm	-
Saturday – Christmas Day	-	8.30am & 10am	-

NEXT SUNDAY

26th December – St Stephen's Day

10am Parish Eucharist with hymns

Note there is only one service on the day after Christmas day, and at an unusual time!

SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION (Common Worship)

The service begins on page **167** of the black book.

Eucharistic Prayer E: page 196 with the second extended preface on page 301.

We continue with the Lord's Prayer on page 178.

9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST (Common Worship)

Mass Setting: Viadana – Missa L'Hora Passa

INTROIT HYMN: NEW ENGLISH HYMNAL 1 (TUNE ii)

There is no Gloria on Sundays in Advent.

First Reading: Romans 1.1-7

GRADUAL HYMN: NEH 161 (TUNE NEH 385)

The Holy Gospel: St Matthew 1.18-25

Sermon: The Vicar.

OFFERTORY HYMN: NEH 166 (TUNE NEH 470) Eucharistic Prayer: **E** with extended preface

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. He is the one foretold by all the prophets, whom the Virgin Mother bore with love beyond all telling. John the Baptist was his herald and made him known when at last he came. In his love Christ fills us with joy as we prepare to celebrate his birth, so that when he comes again he may find us watching in prayer, our hearts filled with wonder and praise. And so, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your glory, and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Anthem: Canite Tuba - Guerrero

Canite tuba in Sion, quia prope est dies Domini: ecce veniet ad salvandum nos. Erunt prava in directa, et aspera in vias planas: veni, Domine, et noli tardare.

Sound the trumpet in Sion, for the day of the Lord is near: see, he is coming to save us. The crooked ways will be made straight, and the rough ways smooth. Come, Lord, and do not delay!

RECESSIONAL HYMN: NEH 10

Voluntary: Sleigh Ride - Leroy Anderson [JSH]

11.00am SHORT MATTINS (Book of Common Prayer)

Reading responses: see page 8 in the Shorter Prayer Book

Psalm 117 (page 277, sung by the choir)

First reading: Micah 5.2-5a Benedictus (p. 11, stand)

Second Reading: St Luke 1.26-38

Sharing the love of Christ, the Light of the World, with the people of Ewell

HYMN: New English Hymnal 11

The Lord's Prayer (p. 13)

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Advent (p. 52)

The Grace (p. 23)

After Short Mattins, please stay to help prepare and decorate the church for Christmas. There will be plenty of jobs for everyone: cutting holly, folding service booklets, hanging gewgaws on the tree, and so on.

5.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols

A separate order is provided for this service.

NOTICES

Our cake recipe book, edited by Alison Archer-Lock, has raised £300 in its first printrun. Many thanks to all who contributed: copies still available.

There may be **Christmas cards** for you by the south porch: place any you have for other church members on the tables or in the blue box.

In response to ideas at our vision day, a **visiting team** is getting off the ground. Wendy Paxman is our new visiting co-ordinator. Members of the congregation are encouraged to contact her on 0208 224 2851, or the parish office, especially over the next few weeks, if they would like company over a cup of tea, practical help like shopping etc. There will be a more formal "launch" in the new year.

The Vicar says: "I'm very happy to hear of anyone else unable to get to church who would like to receive **Holy Communion at home** in the week before Christmas. As always, I'm also available for those who wish to receive the sacrament of reconciliation, that is, make their **confession**."

THIS WEEK

Tuesday: Note that Café NESCOT & the house group have finished for the term.

Wednesday 22nd December: No coffee morning this week—will be back on the 29th.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2010

SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER
5:30pm Nine Lessons and Carols.
A choral celebration with traditional carols.

FRIDAY 24 – CHRISTMAS EVE 4:00pm The Arrival at Bethlehem.

A crib service for all the family. The Christmas story is told and familiar carols are sung.

11:45pm Midnight Mass. Atmospheric service with favourite carols and Holy Communion. The choir will sing Christmas music and carols from 11:15pm.

8:30am Holy Communion.
A simple said service.

10:00am Sung Eucharist.

Festive service with carols and Holy Communion.

SUNDAY 26 DECEMBER - BOXING DAY

10:00am Sung Eucharist

(no other services today)

FUTURE DATES

Please note the **parish office** will be <u>closed</u> from Christmas day until it re-opens on Monday 10th January. Phone and email messages will be checked throughout.

Tuesday 28th December: There will be <u>no</u> 10am Eucharist in the week after Christmas.



Sat 22nd January: **Board Games** afternoon in the church hall, open to all. There will be familiar games and some that are probably new to you. Games suitable for adults, teenagers, families, and children. Very simple and easy games as well as ones to make you think! 3pm-6pm.

Thu 10th February: **Caribbean Lunch** at HM Prison High Down, Banstead, in aid of ongoing work for our twinned parish of Corriverton, Guyana. Support both our mission to Guyana mission and help prisoners gaining vocational qualifications. 'The Clink' restaurant is very highly rated indeed. A booking form will go up in the New Year with full menus. *Please put the date in your diary now*. £15 per head with Caribbean/traditional/vegetarian options, transport can be arranged.

