



WEEK

COMMENCING 2nd December 2007

This Sunday

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**8.00am
10.00am**

**Eucharist
'Magic Carpet' Service. All-age worship
with Eucharist and Baptisms
President: The Revd R.Holroyd
Leaders: Noeline Page &
Richard Holroyd**

**3.00pm
4.00pm
6.00pm**

**Piano Duets: Rhidian & Richard
Sunday Half-hour at Neve House
Journeying with the Magi
Officiant: The Revd Dick Cheek**

Mon 3rd

8.00pm Emmaus'05
at 26 Bridle Road

Tues 4th

7.15pm Eucharist
8.00pm Sparklers Planning meeting

Weds 5th

10.00am Eucharist

Thurs 6th

10.00am Mum's & Toddlers Service
8.00pm 'Timeout' at the Vicarage

Fri 7th

8.00pm Choir Practice

Sat 8th

11.00am CTiM Carol Singing
outside the Bear

Sunday 2nd

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**8.00am
10.00am**

**Eucharist
Sung Eucharist
President: The Revd R.Holroyd
Preacher: Noeline Page
Voices Anon in Church
Journeying with the Magi
Officiant: Sonya Clarke**

**2-5pm
6.00pm**

Readings:

*Old Testament: Isaiah 11.1-10
New Testament: Romans 15.4-13
Gospel: Matthew 3.1-12*

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

If you are visiting us for the first time we would like to get to know you better. Please fill in one of the yellow welcome cards and hand it to someone on duty before you leave. Better still, stay and have a chat over a cup of coffee after the 10.00am service. Children and young people are welcome to join the groups which meet during the service. Please feel free to take a toddler to the children's corner at the back of the church if they are getting restless, but do stay with them.

The chapel is available as a quiet place for prayer after services and whenever the church is open. Please feel free to take advantage of it.

Please keep the car parking space in the churchyard free for the disabled and frail elderly. Thank you.

A big thank you to all my kind friends for the numerous cards and presents which I received on the occasion of my recent 'landmark' birthday. God Bless you all.
Frances

Canticle (Junior Choir): A small group of singers (or a group of small singers) will begin meeting for a 20min practice on Sundays at 11.30am in the New Year. Age of participants is flexible but they need to be rising 9 or so. Please see me or John Cotterill if you would like to join in. Richard H.

Christmas Services: Lists are available at the back of church for the Christmas Services. We can never have too many volunteers over this busy period so please check the times and if you would like to help out (even if you are not a regular Sidesperson) please sign up. Thank you - Nicola.

Christmas Cards: On behalf of my fellow Wardens and the Sidespeople can I request that you do not 'dump' your Christmas cards on the table in the hope that someone else will distribute them for you or that people will check on the off-chance there is a card there for them. Please hand out what you can and leave only those cards you are unable to give to individuals in person. Thank you – Nicola

Children's Society: A very big thank you to everyone who donates or collects in the boxes for this charity. We have sent £682.70 to the Children's Society. If there is anyone who would like more information or would be able to save a few pennies over the year in a box please ask for details. Chris Sawyers (T.621408)

Voices Anon Christmas Concert: Thursday, 13th December, 8.15pm here at St.Luke's. No charge for admission. A collection will be made in aid of The Recharge Café.

Maidenhead Care: Can you help? We need more Duty Officers to answer calls from clients and arrange suitable volunteers to help them, if we are to continue our complete Monday – Friday service to the community. One day, or even half day each month would be invaluable, and friendly training will be given. For more details please contact Ann Hockham (T.627496) or Jan Cheek (T.628484)

uatemala: Many thanks to everyone who has contributed in any way to the Guatemala project helping the poorest families in that country. The Chocoholics evening raised £140.00 and bonfire party donations a further £83. If any of the congregation who saw Luke Darracott's video presentation (at Harvest) of the practical help he gave in the village of Chimaltenango would like to donate please give cash or a cheque payable to St.Luke's PCC to any member of the Darracott, Burdett or Baughan families by 16th December so that the money can be sent off by Christmas. Many thanks - Ann Burdett.

Spire Brand Marmalade: Will next be on sale TODAY Sunday, 2nd December. Jilly B

CTiM High Street Carols: Saturday, 8th December 10.45am for 11am outside the Bear Hotel. Please support this outreach event in the town and share the real meaning of Christmas. We will be accompanied by the Salvation Army Band finishing at approximately 12 noon with coffee and mince pies at High Street Methodist Church.

Journeying with the Magi: A series of three services for Advent, on 2nd, 9th and 23rd December at 6pm imagining the journey of the Three Kings.

Knick-Knacks: Helen Poynter would like to borrow cowbells, lederhosen, etc. for the Austrian evening in January.

Swimarathon: Please note that the Swimarathon is a week later than usual and is on Saturday, 12th January 2008. As usual St.Luke's welcomes everyone willing to swim, support, or sponsor.

St.Luke's FINS (Friends in Need of a Swim): are swimming every Tuesday at 2pm at the Leisure Centre. All sexes, ages, sizes, shapes and ability welcomed! Meet in the foyer at 2pm. (free to over 60's). Further information if needed from Jean T-D (T.626671)

Windsor Pantomime – Cinderella: If you would like to be part of the St.Luke's Group going to see Cinderella starring Wayne Sleep, Jan Leeming and two 'Any Dream Will Do' finalists at Windsor Theatre Royal on Friday, 4th January at 7.30pm, please see Ann or Richard Burdett as soon as possible. Tickets are £17.50 each and we have our usual prime location at the front of the stalls, which is good for catching the sweets!

St Luke's Tours - Trip to Keukenhof Gardens, Amsterdam and Volendam. There are still 6 spaces left. Everyone is welcome until we have sold all the places!

THE FLOODLIGHTING HAS NOT BEEN SPONSORED
THIS WEEK

Please Pray for the people who live in Northfield Road

the sick: Gillian Fitzpatrick, Emma, Tim Williams, Jane Brewer, Vaughan Russell, David Sherwood, Kate, Melanie Bibra, Win Reynolds, George Warburton, Alexander, Tricia Brown, Dicky Burrows

ADVANCE NOTICES

16th Dec Carol Service
12th Jan Austrian Evening

MUMS & TODDLERS meet
in the CHURCH HALL
THURSDAYS
9.15am - 11.00am
during term time

BROWNIES meet in the CHURCH HALL
THURSDAYS 6.30pm - 7.45pm

THE SUNDAY CLUB
for children aged 3-10 years : 10.00am each Sunday in
the Church Hall
(except 1st Sunday in month: All-age Worship in Church)

THE SPARKLERS
for young people (10+) meets in the Parish Centre for
discussions. "Sparklers" leave church before the sermon.

GROUPS @ ST.LUKE'S

The following groups are open for all to join:

Emmaus Discussion Group about aspects of our faith
Contact: Eileen Goford (T.638238)

Emmaus 05, (2nd Course)
Contact: Sue Harbour (T.670246)

Timeout – topical issues aired and shared
Contact: Revd R. Holroyd (T.783033)

BRF Daylight Group (discussion about current bible
reading notes) Contact: Revd Dick Cheek (T.628484)

News-sheet material to be handed in at The Vicarage by
Thursday MORNING please.

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