



# NEWSLETTER

30rd October 2016

This Church is working and praying to become a Whole Life Disciple making Community



## Operation Christmas Child

20th November 10.40am.

**Carols by Candlelight** 11th December 6.00pm.

Fourth Sunday in Advent **Junior Church Celebration** 18th December 10.40am.


**Christingle Service** 24th December 5.00pm.

**Outside Church Carol Singing** 24th December 6.15pm.

**Christmas Eve Midnight service** 24th December 11.45pm.

**Christmas Day Celebration service** 25th December 10.00am

## Info & Requests

 Christmas is fast approaching and the Christmas Planning Team is working hard behind the scenes to prepare all of the Christmas services and festivities but we need your help with a small number of items. We are looking for volunteers for the following;

- Someone to assemble the Advent ring and keep it looking good during Advent

- One of the Youth Groups to decorate the Christmas tree in the foyer (week
- At least six Volunteers to hand out cards and prayer tags for one hour in the Birchwood Mall on 10th December between 12 and 1pm.
- Someone to provide holly to decorate the church on 11th December.
- Someone to purchase (you will be reimbursed) 150 oranges for Christingle making on 22nd December.
- Someone to supply (again you will be reimbursed) raisins, glazed cherries and sweets to decorate the Christingles.

If you can help please see David or Steve, Many thanks



## FAIRTRADE CHRISTMAS MARKETS

Come and see the lovely selection of Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars, Chocolates, Biscuits, Unusual Gifts, Jewellery, Scarves and much, much more. We will also be able to take orders for goods in the catalogue.

At **TReats** on **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

At **Church** on **November 6<sup>th</sup>**



Operation Christmas Child **Shoe Boxes** will be received at the service on **Sunday November**

**20<sup>th</sup>** (ignore the date on the leaflet!). Please bring along your shoe boxes filled with gifts and love for children in need living in less fortunate areas of the world. If you would like to buy a decorated shoe box for a suggested donation of 50p please see Chris Green.

## DUTIES NEXT WEEK

**Reading** J King  
M Bowen

**Coffee** J King  
C Bromley

**Chairs** Watts Family

**Door** B Kennedy  
K McDermott

**Prayers** R Searle

**Junior Church** Pam, Donna & Parent (DVD)

Secretary, Steve Erhardt (851866) or If you would like to know more about these or any of our activities and beliefs, please contact our

Church see [www.thomasrisley.org](http://www.thomasrisley.org)

## Today

**Theme** Salt and Light

**Reading** John 1 v 1-5  
Matthew 5 v 13-16

Welcome to our Service this morning which is being led by **Mr R Gemmell**. If you are worshipping with us for the first time we hope that you enjoy it. Please stay for tea or coffee and a chat after the service

## This Week

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November**  
**10.40am**

Next week our Service will be led by **Mr C Burrows**.

## LATER DATES



**Remembrance Sunday** 13th  
November 10.40am.