



# NEWSLETTER

6th November 2016

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

## LATER DATES



### Operation Christmas Child

20th November 10.40am.

### Carols by Candlelight

11th December 6.00pm.

### Fourth Sunday in Advent

### 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



### YMCA A BIG BIG

thankyou to everyone who donated to the YMCA appeal during October and especially the "Harvest Appeal" at which we raised £370.58. In total therefore we raised £615.17, the other sums being from the bric a brac and cake sale at TReats and the £1 per signature. Thank you again on

behalf of the YMCA, this will help to keep the doors open



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 commencing 20th November)
- 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



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

20th (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.



### October Accounts

Income £3969.62  
 Expenditure (£3063.43)  
 Net £ £906.19

## DUTIES NEXT WEEK

<b>Door</b>	Brigade
<b>Prayers</b>	D Thurston
<b>Readers</b>	Junior Church / Organisations
<b>Coffee</b>	Guides
<b>Chairs</b>	A Cameron J Powell

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)

Welcome to our Service this morning which is being led by **Mr D Thurston**. 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

**Theme** The Lord is my Shepherd - does that make me a sheep?

**Reading** Psalm 23

**Mr S Erhardt** will lead us in Holy Communion



### FAIRTRADE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Come and see the lovely selection of Christmas Cards, and gifts. We will also be able to take orders for goods in the catalogue.

## This Week



**Remembrance Sunday** 13th **November 10.40am**.  
 Our Service will be led by **Mr S Erhardt**.

