

NEWSLETTER

10th December 2017

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

Welcome to our **Second Sunday in Advent Service** which will be led by **Rev S Nixon**. 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 Community

Readings John 1 v1-14
Acts 2 v42-47



During this morning's service we will be receiving **gifts** again this year for the **Warrington**

Homeless. Thank you for your usual wonderful generosity.



You will have been given a **Christian Aid envelope** this morning as we are again supporting their Christmas Appeal.

Your donation, in the envelope, can be brought back to church anytime over Advent and placed in the collection bags.

This is a separate appeal to the jar on the communion table. Thank you.


THE COMING WEEK

Sunday 17th December

10.40am Morning Worship for the 3rd Sunday in Advent will be led by **Mrs W Gemmell** and will include the "Junior Church Celebration" and Nativity.

6.00pm Carols by Candlelight.
Collection for Warrington Homeless

INFO & REQUESTS

 Donations of **mince pies** would be greatly appreciated for the Christingle service on Christmas Eve. Please bring them to church in the morning. Thank you.



Through Advent we will be **supporting Christian Aid's special appeal** in respect of children in South Sudan and Burkina Faso who are dying of hunger every day. Droughts and floods have devastated rural farming communities who no longer have enough food to survive. The UK government have agreed to match pound for pound any funds raised by Christian Aid in connection with this disaster up to 5th February. The large jar on the communion table will be there each Sunday through Advent for you to drop in any donations. Thank you.



You will find again this year our church "**Christmas Wall Card**" in the foyer for you to pin your greeting cards on to the rest of the church. Maybe the money saved on not sending cards to everyone could be dropped into the Christian Aid Jar on the communion table.

Similar to last year "**Room at the Inn, The Y Project**" (Warrington Homeless.) are asking if you would purchase a gift card that will secure a homeless person a bed for a night.

The cards are £1.00, £2.50 or £5.00 each, please see Rhona if you would like to purchase one.

November Accounts



Income	£3847.70
Expenditure (£3245.57)	
Net	£ 602.13

Looking after our church building.

As we get towards winter and darker nights please could we ask all users of

the building to check before locking up that the following are carried out:

- All hard floors are swept and carpet areas vacuumed that you have used.
- All fire doors (including serving hatches) are closed.
- All radiators are turned down to 2.
- All lights are turned off (don't forget the toilets).

Your help would be appreciated to keep the building safe and ready for the next user and to minimise energy costs. Thank you, The Fabric Committee.

LATER DATES

Christmas Events at



Thomas Risley Church

22nd December 2.00pm
Prayer Meeting.

3.00pm Christingle Making.

24th December 10.40am

Morning Worship 4th Sunday in Advent.

5.00pm Christingle Service. Collection for Warrington Homeless.

6.15pm Carol Singing outside of church.

25th December 10.00am
Christmas Day Celebration Service

DUTIES NEXT WEEK

Sunday 17th December

10.40am

Door J Musgrove
S Grimshaw

Prayers

Readers

Coffee Guides

Chairs Out - C Burrows

Junior Church Family Service

6.00pm

Door W Gemmell
M Paton

Coffee A Skinner
J King

Chairs Away - B Kennedy

If you would like to know more about these items or any of our activities and beliefs, please contact our Church Secretary, Steve Erhardt (01925 851866) or see www.thomasrisley.org

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