

NEWSLETTER

24th December 2017

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

Welcome to our **Morning Service** which will be 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.



There will be no tea/coffee after the morning service on 24th December as there will be lots to get ready for Christingle and not much time for people to turn around and come back.

5.00pm Christingle Service led by **Rev S Nixon** with a collection for Warrington Homeless

6.15pm Carol singing outside church

THE COMING WEEK

Monday 25th December
10.00am Morning Service led by **Mr and Mrs R Gemmell**

Sunday 31st December
10.40am This will be a Songs of Praise Service

Info & REQUESTS



Please note that **Treats Coffee Shop** will be **closed** on Thursday 28th December and will re-open on Thursday 4th January 2018 The **Treats team thank you** for your support in 2017 and wish you all a very **Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year**.

And a very big **Thank you** to **Ashly** who made **delicious cakes and sold them** in aid of the **Warrington Homeless Shelter** at Treats this week.



A big thank you to everyone who donated so generously in providing gifts for the homeless last Sunday. The items will be given out to our homeless friends over the Christmas weekend. Thank you once again for your generosity.



You will have been given a **Christian Aid envelope** 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.



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.

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.

DUTIES NEXT WEEK

Sunday 31st December
10.40am

Door P Evans
A Skinner

Prayers P Evans

Readers

Coffee A & H Beennett

Chairs Leave out

Junior Church

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