



2nd Sunday in Advent

9th December, 2012

Welcome to TRINITY!

Sowing – Reaping – Keeping – Sending

We give a warm welcome to all our visitors: please make yourself known to us and ask for a copy of our Welcome Pack; please don't feel obliged to contribute to the offering. An audio loop system is installed, for anyone downstairs wearing a suitable hearing aid.

10.30 am MORNING SERVICE

Terry Griffith will preach on: *Matthew 18: 21 - 35*

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant.

This morning's service will include a **Toy Collection** for **London City Mission** who will distribute the toys to disadvantaged children.

Crèche facilities for under-3s are available in one of the halls throughout the service.

If you would like someone to pray with you after the service, this is available in the chapel – look for the sign in the back corner by the stairs, or look for people with prayer ministry team badges.

Tea and coffee will be served in the middle hall after the service – everyone is welcome to stay for fellowship.

7.30 pm THE POINT

Andy Banks will speak on:

What's the point of reading the book of Micah?

NEW TOYS FOR LONDON CITY MISSION

Today, we are invited to bring new toys for London City Mission to distribute to disadvantaged children. LCM ask that the gifts are brought unwrapped – but they welcome separate gifts of wrapping paper.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

From today there are trays in the middle hall where you can leave Christmas cards to be collected by people in the fellowship.

OASIS BAKING

The Oasis team are in urgent need of people to join the rota of bakers. Several people have had to step down recently, which has put extra pressure on the remaining volunteers. If you feel you could join the rota, please speak to Ruth Martin or Elaine Camp today – the next rota will be written this week. Please note, even if you can't be here on a Tuesday, cakes can be left in the kitchen in a suitable container on Sunday. Thank you.

IT'S A MAN THING CURRY NIGHT

It's a man thing are planning a Curry Night on Wednesday 12th December at the Aligor Restaurant. Philip Ussher is collecting numbers; it's a great opportunity to bring someone along who you would like to introduce to a bunch of Christian guys.

CAROLS IN THE BROADWAY.

Churches in Bexleyheath are coming together to sing carols in the Broadway on Saturday 15th December at 4 pm. We're hoping for a really big crowd as a witness to the town of what Christmas is really all about, so please come along if you can, and invite friends, neighbours and relatives. Andy is also looking for a few people to take part in a short sketch (nothing difficult, just calling out a line from an advert or song from a position in the crowd). If you're interested please contact Andy.

MORE CAROLS

We'll be going carol singing on the evening of 18th December between 6 – 7.30 pm. Meet outside Trinity. See Helen French for more details.

PRAYER

Come and pray before the service on Sunday mornings and before the Sunday evening Communion and the Point @ Praise & Prayer evenings. In the morning we meet from 9.45 am in the upstairs classroom and in the evening in the middle hall from 6.45 pm. Also, we are looking for varied testimonies from a good cross-section of the church for our Watch-Night service at New year which will focus on thanking God. If you have a testimony you would like to be considered for the service, please see Scilla Stirling.

SERMON SERIES – MATTHEW

Andy and Terry are continuing our sermon series on the book of Matthew. They are preaching on every 7th section, so to cover the whole book, read the following passages during this week: Monday - Matt 19:1-12 – Divorce. Tuesday - Matt 19:13-15 - The little children and Jesus. Wednesday - Matt 19:16-30 - The rich and the kingdom of God. Thursday - Matt 20:1-16 - The parable of the workers in the vineyard. Friday - Matt 20:17 - 19 - Jesus predicts his death a third time. Saturday - Matt 20:20-28 - A mother's request. Sunday - Matt 20:29 - 34 - Two blind men receive their sight

THE WEEK AHEAD – for your information and prayers

TUESDAY – 11th December

10.30 am OASIS Coffee Shop – tea, coffee and home-made cakes in aid of the 2013 Tanzania Trip.

7 pm Beta Recovery.

WEDNESDAY – 12th December

10 am & 1 pm Baby & Co. – Christmas Parties.

8 pm Bible study and prayer in the middle hall:
Led by Terry Griffith.

8 pm It's a man thing Curry Night in the Aligor restaurant.

THURSDAY – 13th December

BCU at Trinity until 3.30 pm

10 am New Look Group meets at 67, Rudland Road.

2 - 5 pm School Pastors meet at Trinity.

8 pm Worship Band meets for praise and music practice.

FRIDAY – 14th December

BCU at Trinity until 2.00 pm

8 – 10 pm YP meet at church.

8 pm – 1 am Street Pastors meet at Trinity.

SATURDAY – 15th December

3 pm onwards CRIBS Ambassadors Christmas Meal.

4 pm Carol Singing at the Clock Tower.

NEXT SUNDAY – 16th December

10.30 am COMMUNION SERVICE Preacher: Terry Griffith
All who know and love the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to share with us at the Lord's table. The communion offering is for the Fellowship Fund.

7.30 pm THE POINT @ PRAISE & PRAYER led by Terry & Andy.

SMALL GROUPS – Several small groups meet during the week: there is something for everyone, with groups meeting on various days, daytime and evening, in various parts of Bexley Borough – see the list on the noticeboard. For more information, please contact Andy Banks.

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Newsheet contributions should be submitted to Kerry by midday on Thursday.