



Weekly notice sheet for the week beginning 1st January 2017

The Second Sunday of Christmas

A very warm welcome to our worship today.

If you are a visitor to the church please introduce yourself to the Vicar, to the Churchwarden or to one of the Welcomers after the service. Crèche facilities are available in the tower room at the back of the church. An induction loop is fitted for people with hearing aids – please turn to the T-position. All are welcome to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Communion can be administered to someone in their seat – please ask. May God bless us as we gather together as his people.

TODAY'S SERVICES

No 8.15am service

10.00am Parish Communion

Readings

Isaiah 63.7-9

Hebrews 2.10-end

Matthew 2.13-end

The Collect: God our Father, in love you sent your Son that the world may have life: lead us to seek him among the outcast and to find him in those in need, for Jesus Christ's sake. AMEN.

Post Communion: All praise to you, almighty God and heavenly king, who sent your Son into the world to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin: grant that, as we are born again in him, so he may continually dwell in us and reign on earth as he reigns in heaven, now and for ever. AMEN.

WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR...

the Anglican Communion: for the Diocese of Kolhapur (North India), for Bathuel Tiwade, Bishop;

our Diocese: for Nick, Diocesan Bishop, for Toby, Bishop of Bradford, for all churchwardens within the diocese;

the Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches: for St John's United Church, Cononley, for the Grief & Loss Support Group;

our parish: for our work with young people, for the Chuffs group, for those who lead and all who attend, for the Miniringers Club;

the world Church & mission agencies: for Tim & Kate Lee in the UK and the Jigsaw Kids Ministry in Manila, Philippines, for the Church Mission Society (CMS);

our community: for Kildwick Out of School Club, Local Parish Councils, Cross Hills Police Station;

those in need: baby Callum, Peter McNeill, William Brown, Tyler Manley, Christine Bloxham, Joyce Bonham, the Barrett family, Ruth Ward, Glyn Evans, John Hall;

the departed: Rick Raby.

**Please take this leaflet away with you so you can refer to the notices contained in it.
Please also use it to prompt prayers for this parish and all we seek to do in God's service.**

Please pass any items for inclusion to Lesley Hudson by 10am Friday

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WHAT'S ON IN THIS PARISH...

Services for Christmas. Thank you very much to everyone who has contributed to our various services as we celebrate Christmas together as a church community: those who cleaned and decorated the church building, the bell ringers, the musicians (organist, choir and music group) and the lay ministers in worship (welcomers, lesson readers, intercessors and communion assistants).

Christmas Services Collections. The collections at the Carol Service, Midnight Eucharist and Christmas Day services will be shared between St George's Crypt, Leeds, and the Diocese's Kadugli Appeal in support of the Church of Sudan. The collection at the Crib Service is for The Children's Society. Details of monies raised will be given soon.

Christmas and Epiphany. The season of Christmas continues until 8th January when we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany with a Family Communion at 10.00am. The season of Epiphany continues until Sunday 29th January when we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) with a Family Communion Service (including Christingles) at 10.00am.

Christmas Stamps. Don't forget to save your Christmas stamps for charity. They can be left in the box by the church door. Postcards are also collected.

Traidcraft Stall, NEXT Sunday 8th January. This will be available in church after the 10am service. Do please continue to support us! Jill Wright (634526 or jill@woodchipcomputers.co.uk)



Pilgrim course, 'Church & Kingdom', w/c 9th January. The eighth module of the *Pilgrim* course will explore Church & Kingdom and will take place over 6 weeks. Each module stands alone so there is no requirement to have attended previous modules to attend this one. Pick up a flyer or invitation cards.

New Daylight Bible Reading Notes. Copies of the January – April issue of the Bible Reading Fellowship daily notes are available. If you don't use such notes yet do think about doing so. Excellent value at only £4.35.

Planned Giving Envelopes for 2017. The envelopes for next year are now available for collection. If you are not yet part of the Planned Giving Scheme and would like information about giving by banker's order or weekly or monthly envelopes please contact Brenda Brock (633938), our Planned Giving & Gift Aid Secretary.

Bradford Episcopal Area Deanery Reorganisation. With effect from today 1st January there is a change in the organisation of the deaneries in our Episcopal Area. There are four deaneries, namely: South Craven & Wharfedale, Aire & Worth, Outer Bradford, Inner Bradford. **We are now in the Deanery of South Craven & Wharfedale** together with the parishes of Silsden, Sutton-in-Craven, Cowling, Lothersdale, Cononley with Bradley, Addingham, Ilkley All Saints, Ilkley St Margaret, Ben Rhydding, Burley-in-Wharfedale, and Menston with Woodhead. Our Area Dean is the Revd Canon Philip Gray, Vicar of St Margaret's, Ilkley.

Licensing service to launch the new deaneries, 4.00pm Sunday 15th January at Bradford Cathedral. This service will be led by Bishop Nick. All are invited.

Prayers for people in need. To have someone prayed for by name in our parish prayers please contact Robin, 633307 or June Whitaker, 655320. Names will be included weekly for 8 weeks or monthly for 4 months; they will then be removed unless a further period of prayer is requested.

Support for Iranian Christians. A total of £138.38 was collected towards the purchase of Morrisons gift vouchers for 4 Iranian Christians living in Keighley and worshipping at All Saints Church. Thank you.

Recycling for Good Causes. We have recently received a payment of £35.50 for the items collected in the red sack; well done and thank you. Why not have a pre-Christmas clear out and recycle your stamps, postcards, foreign currency, jewellery, watches, cameras, laptops, games consoles, sat navs, mobile phones and the like. Every little helps!



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Come to the stable and celebrate.  
Come to the stable and rejoice.  
Come to the stable and meet Jesus,  
born for you, for me and for all the world.  
Come to the stable and sing your songs.  
Come to the stable and join in  
the dance of Christmas.

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Sayings from the week and wisdom from the tradition

There's nothing romantic about the Christmas story. If anything, it offers a slice of a brutal world in which a child is born on the street, so to speak, with next to nothing in the way of rights and security, and not even a home. He whose birthday we celebrate at Christmas said, even as a grown man, "I have nothing.

I am nowhere at home. Even at night, I have no place to rest or lay my head"....But now this man from Nazareth comes to us and invites us to mirror God's image, and shows us how. He says: you too can become light, as God is light.

Because what is all around you is not hell, but rather a world waiting to be filled with hope and faith.

Jörg Zink: Doors to the Feast

The Kingdom of God is not a spiritual kingdom;
it is a political kingdom empowered by the Spirit.

- **Brian Zahnd**

