NUGGETS

FOR

CHRIST CHURCH, ST ANDREW'S AND ST MICHAEL'S

27TH NOVEMBER 2024

Hello everyone!

Lord Jesus, light of the world, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people. Give peace in our hearts in this season of Advent, and show all the world God's love. Amen.

On Sunday, incredibly, we celebrate our first Sunday of Advent as we simultaneously wait; and look forward. To help us to do that, there will be various opportunities to reflect, to worship, and to rejoice. But let us also pray for our world that it may know the hope, the peace, the joy and the love of our Lord Jesus Christ at this time, especially those who are in the midst of conflict and despair.



NOVEMBER

Advent Group at Christ Church for all three churches

Our Advent Group for the three churches will be held at Christ Church on Wednesday evenings; and will start to anticipate each week of Advent. The framework for our groups will be a book by Paula Gooder, *Women of the Nativity*. Do come along.

Wednesday 27th November at 7.30pm Wednesday 4th, 11th and 18th December at 7.30pm

Prayer Breakfast at Christ Church

The next Prayer Breakfast meets on **Saturday 30th November from 8.15am** for prayer followed by breakfast. Those who would like to help with church cleaning will be meeting from 8.15am. Praying from 9.00am followed by breakfast. All welcome.

DECEMBER

Sunday 1st December 2024

St Michael's 9.00am – Holy Communion

Christ Church

10.00am – Morning Worship

St Andrew's

 10.30am – Christingle Family Service
6.00pm – Advent Carol Service for Churches Together in the Ortons

Advent Carol Service at St Andrew's

There will be a Churches Together in the Ortons Advent Carol Service at St Andrew's on **Sunday 1**st **December at 6.00pm.** All are welcome. This was to have been held at St Luke's. We very much look forward to welcoming everyone to St Andrew's.

Sunday 8th December

Christ Church

10.00am – Holy Communion 3.00pm – Afternoon Holy Communion

Sunday 8th December continued

St Andrew's

10.30am – Holy Communion

St Michael's

5.00pm – Evening Prayer

Coffee Morning at St Andrew's

Our next Coffee Morning at St Andrew's takes place on Wednesday 11th December from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Do come along for lovely cakes, refreshments and for a chat.

Christmas Coffee Connect at Christ Church

Coffee Connect meets on Friday 13th December from 2.00 to 4.00pm at Christ Church. Do come along to meet other people for a chat and enjoy homemade cakes and biscuits.

Candlelit Carol Service at St Andrew's

This will take place on **Saturday 14th December at 6.00pm**. All welcome. Do bring friends and family. And do join us for mulled wine and refreshments afterwards.

Sunday 15th December

St Michael's

9.00am – Morning Prayer

Christ Church

10.00am – Morning Worship and Nativity

St Andrew's

10.30am – Morning Worship

Prayer Breakfast at Christ Church

And... the next Prayer Breakfast meets on **Saturday 21**st **December from 8.15am** for prayer followed by breakfast. All welcome.

Carol Singing in the Orton Centre

This will take place on **Saturday 21st December at 11.00am** in the Orton Centre by QD. We will sing and have fun, as we join

with people from Churches Together in the Ortons, to tell people about the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sunday 22nd December

Christ Church

10.00am – Holy Communion

St Andrew's

10.30am – Morning Worship

St Michael's

6.00pm – Nine Lessons and Carols

Nine Lessons and Carols at St Michael's

This will take place on **Sunday 22nd December at 6.00pm**. All are welcome. Do bring friends and family. Be ready to sing. And do join us for refreshments afterwards.

Messy Church at Christ Church

We hold our next Messy Church on Monday 23rd December from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Do come along and let families know about what is happening. There will be activities, crafts and different things happening to help us to think about Christmas. There will be a meal too. All welcome.

Beer and Carols at The Dragonfly

This will take place on **Monday 23rd December at 6.00pm** at The Dragonfly in the Herlington Centre. The people at the pub love us coming and I am sure we will receive a wonderful welcome as well as having fun. Do join us.

FOLLOW THE STAR

During December do make sure you pick up a copy of this year's *Follow the Star* reflections for Christmas to Epiphany.

A hopeful, peaceful, joyful and loveful Advent to you all!

Yours in Christ.

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