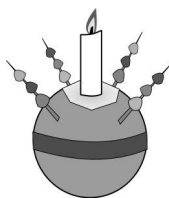


CHRISTINGLE SERVICE



This is next Sunday at 10am. Please come along, bring a friend, and support the work of the Children's Society.



ADVENT CANDLE



Christian Aid have produced a picture of the Advent candle for colouring in as part their resources for use during prayer and reflection during this Advent season. Copies of these can be found at the back of church if you would like one.

Christingle

The Christingle takes place on 11th December. There will be a session making Christingles in the Committee Room on the 10th at 10am, please come and help if you can, many hands make light work!

The Churches Together Christmas Cards



These are ready for distribution. We are asked to get them out by 14th December so we have little time. If you can take a road (or more) please take a pack from back of church.

If you're shopping online this week, please sign up to support F&L Church with easyfundraising. It doesn't cost a penny extra and you'll be helping to make a difference.

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stfaithandstlaurence

Parish Website: www.saintfaithandsaintlaurence.co.uk



For Visitors and those not in the Planned Giving Scheme:

If you intend to make a contribution to our collection today and you are an Income Tax payer, please maximise your giving by using one of our **Gift Aid** envelopes which are located in the pews. **It is important that you give your name and address, and sign and date the envelope.** Thank you.

The Parish Church of St. Faith and St. Laurence
Harborne

Sunday 4 December 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT-WELCOME

Welcome to everyone especially if you are here for the first time or you haven't been to church for a while.
Refreshments will be served in the hall after the 10 am service, so please do stay.

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00 am Holy Communion

Readings:

Isaiah 11.1-10

Romans 15.4-13

Matthew 3.1-12

pew Bible p.650 Old Testament

pew Bible p.159 New Testament

pew Bible p.2 New Testament

10.00 am Family Communion

Special Order of Service

6.30 pm Evensong Psalm 11

1 Kings 18.17-39

John 1.19-28

pew Bible p.335 Old Testament

pew Bible p.88 New Testament

Hymns

27 Hark, the glad sound!

24 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

54 I cannot tell

490(i) Jesus shall reign

Gluten free wafers available. Please ask the Warden before the service begins if you would like one.

Large print available Hearing loop



Collect

Almighty God,
purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus Christ
comes again as judge and saviour
we may be ready to receive him,
who is our Lord and our God.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him in the
humility and purity of his first coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer points - please include these in your personal prayers

For Church and Diocese

Karnataka North- (South India)
The Rt Revd Ravikumar J. Niranjan.

Archbishops Justin and John.
For Bishop David and Bishop Anne.

The Deanery of Aston.

For those who are ill

For the Families and Friends of those who have died including

For the World, for Peace and an end to Poverty.

For the people of Aleppo still
suffering from continuous bombing.

For the family and friends of those
killed or injured in the air disaster in
Colombia.

For our Church's children and young people initiative, including The Junk Nativity.

Morning Prayer will take place on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday of this week in the Lady Chapel at 8.15 am

Mon	5	2.30 pm	Funeral of Aileen McClurg	Lodge Hill
		5.00 pm	Dean and Bishop's Awards Examinations	Church
Tue	6	11.45 am	Thanksgiving Service for Barbara Wright	
		8.00 pm	80th Anniversary Task Group Meeting	Vicarage
Wed	7	10.30 am	Call in for Coffee	Committee Room
		11.00 am	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
		3.30 pm	Junk Nativity	Woodhouse School
Thu	8	9.30 am	Stay and Play	Hall
		10.00 am	Woodhouse Year I visit to Church	
		6.00 pm	Choir Practice	Church
Fri	9	7.30 pm	Harborne Orchestra Concert with our Choir	Church
Sat	10	10.00 am	Christingle making	Committee Room

Next Sunday December 11th The Third Sunday of Advent

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Christingle Service

6.30 pm Sung Eucharist

Tue	13	7.45 pm	PCC Meeting	Committee Room
Wed	14	10.30 am	Call in for Coffee	Committee Room
		11.00 am	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
		3.30 pm	Junk Nativity	Church
		8.00 pm	Team Meeting	
Thu	15	9.30 am	Stay and Play	Hall
		9.30 am	Woodhouse Carols	Church
		6.00 pm	Choir Practice	Church

Christmas Flowers

As we are all so busy at Christmas time we plan to start early in greening up the decorations for church. We shall be holding a working party on the **Wednesday 14 December from 10am.** in the Church Hall. Many hands make light work, so please consider joining us. No special skills are necessary, just bring scissors or secateurs and we will guide you through the rest. If anyone has small leafed greenery or ivy - this also would be welcome. We are hoping to see many of you, gentlemen or ladies!

Anita Tippin and Celia Wilkie

Emails: The Vicar's email is priscillawhite.harborne@btinternet.com

Items for the pew sheet need to reach Peter Stokes by **Wednesday** of each week.

Email: peterstokes@talk21.com