

THIS WEEK AT CHRISTCHURCH

Further details available from the Church Office
or on the website at www.christchurchilkley.org.uk

Monday 14th December	09:00	Meditation
	10:00	Mums And Toddlers
	19:30	Water Colour Painting
	19:45	Housegroups 1 and 2
Tuesday 15th December	09:25	Music Movers
	14:00	Listening Ear
	14:30	Housegroup 3
	19:45	Housegroups 4, 5 and 6
Wednesday 16th December	08:30	Wednesday Wizards
	14:30	Christchurch Guild
	19:45	Housegroups 7 and 8
Thursday 17th December	09:30	Prayer Fellowship
	10:00	Listening Ear
	14:00	Listening Ear
	19:45	Housegroups 9 and 10
Friday 18th December	09:15	Vestry Hour
	10:30	Shoppers Service
	19:30	Badminton
Saturday 19th December	09:30	Riddings Ramblers

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Christchurch
The Grove, ILKLEY
West Yorkshire

Welcome to Worship Sunday 13th December 2009

A warm welcome to worship at Christchurch, especially if you are a visitor, or worshipping with us for the first time. We invite you to join us for coffee after the service.

3rd Sunday of Advent 13th December

9:00am Online@9 - All-age interactive worship
10:30am Gift Service led by Rev Rita Armitage
Junior Mission for All
6:30pm Advent Celebration led by Chris Eagle & Jeannie Buckroyd

Friday Shoppers Service 10:30am 18th December

A 20-minute time of reflection led by Rev Rob Hilton

4th Sunday of Advent 20th December

9:00pm Online@9 - All-age interactive worship
10:30am Morning service led by Rev Rob Hilton
6.30pm Carol Service

COME TO THE BANDSTAND CAROL SERVICE AT 3pm THIS AFTERNOON. IT IS ORGANIZED BY ILKLEY PARISH COUNCIL AND CHURCHES TOGETHER IN ILKLEY. MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES WILL BE SERVED.

Christchurch is fitted with an induction loop system. Hearing aids should be set to Telephone. You may need to adjust the volume.

Large print and Braille hymn books are available. Please ask a Steward.

CHRISTCHURCH PRAYER CALENDAR

Great and gracious God, whose love has been made real in Jesus Christ, inspire my prayers by the power of your Spirit. May your love flow into the world and the people and situations for which we pray, through our thoughts, words and actions. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

You are invited to include the following suggestions of local and broader concern in your private prayer during the year.

Week commencing 13th December

The work of Jubilee Outreach Yorkshire and those who receive our Christmas parcels in Romania. All family celebrations over the Christmas season.

Every Thursday morning: 9:30am - 10:00am in the Fellowship Room, *a time of shared prayer open to all.*

Our **Prayer Table** at the entrance to the Sanctuary offers helpful leaflets for private prayer.

The **Red Book** in the foyer is always available for written prayer requests. Please contact the **Prayer Chain** for urgent or special prayer needs: Ann Taylor (01943 600904) or Pauline Mudge (01943 816376)

VESTRY HOUR

Friday 18th December 9.15-10.15am

Rob is always happy to be phoned, emailed, spoken to, or to arrange an appointment to meet at the manse, church or at your home. However, you are welcome to pop into Vestry Hour anytime

Our special Christchurch harvest DVD - "A Journey through Wharfedale" is available from the office at £5. An ideal Christmas gift - easy to post!

FILMING: Philip Holmes will be filming this week for "Year in the Life" DVD. Don't be surprised if you see the camera in services today.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

You are invited to send cards to someone suffering from human rights abuses and suggested messages and an address are on the leaflets in the foyer. Cards and envelopes are also provided which you can either write and leave in the box, or take home to post. Overseas postage is 62p for up to 10gms and 90p over. There is a plate nearby to put your donations in for the **Matugga Challenge**.

"MATUGGA APPEAL"

Donations can be made with a cheque or cash placed in an envelope marked 'Matugga'. Cheques should be made out to **The Partnership Trust** and passed to John Sayers, Rita Armitage or Tom Collins. Please pick up a "Gift Aid" form in the foyer to be included with your donation.

CIRCUIT PLANS

January-March 2010 are available in the foyer.

INTERNATIONAL CAROL SERVICE - 15TH DEC 7.30pm

held by West Yorks Ecumenical Council in partnership with Bradford Cathedral, in solidarity with asylum seekers, refugees and all their supporters. This will be a lively and enjoyable evening.

DELICIOUS DESERTS

A BIG THANKYOU to all the helpers and the wonderful pudding makers!
We have collected £330.50 to add to the **Matugga fund**.

WEB CHAMPION WANTED

In the run up to Easter next year, Churches Together will officially launch a new website. In order to make sure that the website is used effectively and of its success, we need a web champion from each of the member churches. These roles will only run until the launch of the site during Lent 2010. At that time we will review the support given to the site and make fresh arrangements. The role would be ideal for a student or someone wanting experience of launching a website. For more information, please email markwaddington@mac.com or call 07889177654.

Are you coming to the Holy Communion service on Christmas Eve? Can you help with preparation, distribution and clearing away of the Communion? If you are willing to help please ring Margaret Scott: 431248.

CHRISTINGLE

Mince Pies needed for after-service. Please give to the Coffee Centre for freezing. Help us make Christingles at 10am on Thurs 24th December in the Lower Hall. Contact Ruth Jones: 608985. or Ann Woodsworth: 602287.

THOUGHT FOR ADVENT

As we start our Advent Journey, take some time each day to read our Advent Booklet which you received with Wider Horizons. It is good to take time to pray each day to prepare ourselves for the time when Jesus came to us at Christmas. Further copies available in the Coffee Centre or website.

Want to know what's going on?

All the reports sent to Church Council are now available on the members' area of the website. It's amazing to read all about what is going on. Loads of exciting stuff!! Not a website member? Contact Steve Amos.