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Personal Reflections

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Welcome

7th December 2014
Second Sunday of Advent

A warm welcome to everyone
at St Stephen's today.

If this is your first visit we are
delighted to welcome you
and would love to talk after any
service.

Sunday Services

9.00am Traditional Service
10.30am Informal Service
6.30pm Evening Advent Worship

Weekday Services

Mon 8.00am Morning Prayer
Tues 8.00am Morning Prayer
Weds 9.30am Communion
Thurs 8.00am Morning Prayer
Fri 8.00am Morning Prayer

9.00am Traditional Service

Service Leader: Andrew Dand
Preacher: Andrew Dand

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11 Page 723
Mark 1:1-8 Page 1002

Theme: John the Baptist

Hymns:
Hark the glad sound the Saviour comes 210
On Jordan's bank 538
Guide me O thou great redeemer 201

**Café between
the services**



10.30am All Age Worship

Service Leader: Enid Barron
Preacher: Enid Barron

Reading: Mark 1:1-8 Page 1002

Theme: John the Baptist

Songs and hymns:
From the squalor 1045
Our God is a Great Big God
Light of the World 1086
We Bow our Hearts
You are Good (Forever reign)
You're the Word of God the Father 1141

**Prayer Ministry is available at both
services. If you have come with any need
or concern or you have felt challenged
during the service, do seek prayer this
morning.**

**Our Vision is to share God's love in Jesus
and to be transformed by His Spirit**



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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

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.

Readings for 6.30pm

Psalms 40	Page 566
1 Kings 22: 1-28	Page 365
Romans 15: 4-13	Page 1141

ADVENT BOOKSTALL

Lots of books, cards and calendars for Advent and Christmas, including FREE samples of Bible reading notes. A wide range of children's Christmas story books

ST DAVID'S HOME

Join the St David's Team for a Carol Service **Next Sunday, 14th December at 3pm**, meet in the Entrance Lobby at 2 45 for pre-service prayer. Also, join us for the Communion Service on **Wednesday 17th December at 4pm. tea first at 3.30pm**. Contact Sally Horattides 8840 6047 or Peter Devereux 8579 7884

THRICE WELCOME CHRISTMAS

A miscellany of songs, poems and prose for Advent. Come and join in **Next Sunday 14th December** at 6.30pm.

PARENTS & CARERS

Please make use of the Family Corner during Cafe time. Refreshments & activities for children with a member of the Welcome Team on hand to help out so you can drink your coffee & chat. Find us in the far corner of the hall.

CALLING DESIGNERS!

If you have skills in designing and making things – either leaflets and posters or curtains and upholstery please speak to Caroline Newbold.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

As in previous years, we have displayed a large Christmas greetings board where members of the congregation can post a single Christmas card/message to the church family as a whole and donate the money they have saved to a charity.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Please remember the Food Bank when doing your weekly shop. Tinned meat meals, vegetables & fruit, dried mash, long life milk and juice always welcome.

CHURCH FINANCES 2015

Thank you to everyone who have revised their giving pledges. If you are yet to make your pledge there is still time and for those who have changed their giving, please remember to advise your bank in good time.

GET INVOLVED THIS CHRISTMAS

1. There is a leaflet asking for help with Christmas services. This is a chance to serve in an extra or different way, or possibly the first time. Please consider how you can help and fill in the card, then drop it into the marked box asap.
2. From today we are asking everyone to help deliver Christmas Invitations to all parish streets.
3. Invite your neighbours & friends. For many, this season is a first step into church and a personal touch can make a big difference
4. Pray for our services

NEW WINE

Dates for next summer: Sat 25th July–Sat 1st Aug 2015. .

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY

Christmas hamper boxes are available for collection by connect Group leaders from Simon Beards

GOOD FRIDAY 2015

In place of our usual Churches Together Walk of Witness, a dramatic presentation of the crucifixion has been written, which will start on Haven Green and proceeding through Ealing Broadway to Christ the Saviour. If you are interested in participating as an actor in this dramatization of the crucifixion then please come along to a vision and planning evening on the **14th January 2015 at 8pm** in St. Stephen's Church, W13 8HB. **We need actors, singers and helpers please.** This promises to be a fantastic adventure as different churches in Ealing work together to create something powerful and life-changing for our community. Further information from Steve Newbold.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Thanks to everyone for making the Bazaar a really friendly affair. We'll let you know as soon as possible how much money has been raised for the Ealing Christians against Poverty.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE

Starting on **28th January 2015** we will be running the Marriage Course for all couples - a seven session course set in a fantastic atmosphere. You will be served with a candlelit meal and dessert at a romantic table for two while listening to practical talks that are informative and fun. There is never any group work and you will never be asked to share anything about your relationship with anyone other than your partner. More details will follow but mark the dates now.

CONNECT GROUPS

Our mid week Groups for worship, prayer, Bible Study and Fellowship

Daytimers

Meet every Wednesday at 11.00am for cake, coffee, fellowship, Bible reflection and prayer.

Tuesday Group

Meets fortnightly on a Tuesday at 8pm—next meeting on 9th December. All welcome—speak to Steve Newbold for more information.

p&p Small Group

Next meeting 8pm on Monday 15th Dec, at the Charlton's home. 8997 8236

20's and 30's Group

Speak to Andrew or Susy Dand for details of December meetings.

Film Group

Next Film is *'The Possibilities are Endless'* about the life of Edwyn Collins the singer/songwriter and his rehabilitation after a stroke, directed by the son of Ruth and Keith Hall. We will meet to view the film together on **Wednesday 14th January 7.45pm** and the discussion evening will be on **Monday 19th January 7.45pm**. If you can't come on 14th but still want to join us for the discussion please borrow the film from us and watch at your leisure. For more information please see/contact Rosemary or Philip - 020 8997 6762 or 07733 441 431

FLOWERS IN CHURCH 2015

Please consider providing flowers for church for a Sunday in the New Year, perhaps to celebrate an anniversary or in remembrance of someone who has died. Ken Taylor or Jane Maffett can help advise you if needed. The 2015 list is in the folder by the pigeon holes, do sign up to a date that you would like.