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# Weekly 2nd December 2018 Update

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 to you after any service.

# Advent Sunday 9:00am Traditional Service

Leader: Enid Barron Preacher: Dinos Horattides Reading: Isaiah 60:1-7 Page 748 Luke 21:25-36 Page 1056



#### Café between services

## 10:30am All Age Worship

Leader: Steve Newbold Preacher: Steve Newbold Reading: Isaiah 60:1-7 Page 748

# 6:30pm Open to God

Speaker: Jonathan Jones Theme: Friendship with God Reading: Isaiah 41:13 and John 15:9-17

Personal Prayer is available at both morning services. If you have come with any concern or you have felt challenged during the service, do seek prayer this morning. **Today** Cafe Extra will be on today after the 10:30am service.

Christmas cards and goods will be available during Cafe and Cafe Extra today and next week. Come and try our Fairtrade versions. Please consider these alternatives.

People & Planet Gathering meet at 12:30pm for lunch and to hear Andrew Dixon and Sally and Brian Lamond talk about their trip to St Francis Hospital, Katete.

### First Tuesday Prayers

Can you come to pray for the church for an hour on Tuesday 4th Dec at 8pm

# Welcome Stranger

Next Sunday at 6:30pm. Poetry, prose, praise and prayers for Advent. Please join us. There will be a retiring collection for the Toilet Twinning Project.

#### St David's Care Home

Please come and sing with us for the St David's Carols of Praise on Sunday 9th Dec at 3pm. Contact Peter Devereux 8579 7884.

#### Tearfund

Thank you to all who came along to the Big Quiz Night. We raised almost £900.

#### **Christmas Cards**

Use the notice board at the back of the Church from next Sunday to display a Christmas card to the whole church - you can consider donating money saved to a charity.

# Volunteers Required

Help required with:

- Carol Services (16th)
- Carols and Christingles (24th)
- Making mince pies

Please sign up at the Welcome Desk. Speak to Caroline Jamieson or Geoff Thomas.

Also, can you help deliver Christmas Invitations around the Parish from today. Please invite your neighbours & friends especially to our Carol Services. For many, this season is a first step into church and a personal touch can make a big difference.

#### Christmas Tree

We are decorating the Church Christmas Tree on Monday 10th Dec at 11am. If you would like to help please let Morgen Edwards in the Church Office know on 8991 0164 or admin@ststephens-ealing.org.

#### **Prayer for the Week**

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.