

**SUN**

**BREAKFAST TOGETHER** - Join us for a buffet style breakfast with cereals, toast, croissants, coffee and tea every third Sunday in the month.

Next Breakfast : **TODAY 18 November**

**MON**

**MORNING PRAYER - 9.00 a.m.** in Church every Monday (except Bank Holidays).

**PENSIONERS' PRAISE - 2.00 p.m.** All welcome! You don't have to be a pensioner. Next service:

**3 December**

**TUE**

**TODDLERS** - From **10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.** in the hall every Tuesday in term time. Please contact the office if you would like a place.

**COFFEE DROP-IN** - Tea, coffee, cakes and chat every Tuesday morning from **10.00 a.m. to 12 noon** in the Atrium.

**WED**

**PRAY TOGETHER** - an opportunity to pray and to listen to God. All welcome. **7.45 p.m.** in Church

**THU**

**LADIES ON THURSDAY** - A chance for ladies to explore and grow in the Christian faith, from **9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.**

**LADIES BOOK CLUB - 8.00 p.m.** in the Small Hall. Next Meeting: **22 November**

**FRI**

**TODDLERS** - From **10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.** in the hall every Friday in term time. Please contact the office to join the waiting list.

**YOUTH CLUB** - Calling 11 - 16 year olds! Come and join the youth team for various fun activities in the Church Hall.

**Every Friday in term time from 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.**

**SAT**

**DAMBUSTERS** - Fun, games, coffee and bacon rolls for dads plus under 5s. Third Saturday of every month from **8.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.** in the hall. Next meeting: **17 November**

**CORNERSTONE COFFEE SHOP** open weekdays in term time - 8.45 a.m. to 12 noon

## Prayer Focus

If there is an urgent prayer request to be sent round our prayer circle please contact the Church Office or Marigold Benbough 01277 624960.

Please pray for people on our Church Electoral Roll:

Give thanks for the members of our District Church Council

Please pray for the bereaved families of:

For those who are ill, or who have specific needs:

For our Mission Partners:

Street Pastors Billericay; Jeremy & Kate Ellis (WEC); St Francis Church Ciamanda & Ciamanda School, Kenya; Pappy Daniel (Light of Hope Mission, India); Schools Ministry Billericay; Rabiah Aalam (CMS); Verity Butt (YWAM)

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Days off: Tuesday and Friday

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Rest Day: Saturday

**Church Office:**

Open Monday to Thursday 9.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m.

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## Christ Church, Billericay

*"To know Jesus better and to make Jesus better known"*

**18 November 2018**

**Second Sunday before Advent**

**8.00 a.m. Holy Communion**

**Lead/Preside:** Rev Margaret Fowler

**Preach:** Catherine Benbough

**Bible Readings:** Daniel 12: 1-3

**Small Print 898 Large Print 1393**

Mark 13: 1-8

**Small Print 1019 Large Print 1577**

**10.00 a.m. Celebrating Answered Prayer with Baptism of Charlotte Yates**

**Lead:** Rev Margaret Fowler

**Preach:** Paul Hunt

**Bible Reading:** Daniel 6: 13-23

**Small Print 891 Large Print 1382**

**Songs:**

**SOF 111** For I'm building a people of power

**SOF 1483** One more step along the world I go

**SOF 593** What a friend we have in Jesus

**SOF 42** Be thou my vision

**A Prayer for this week:**

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**25 November 2018**

**Feast of Christ The King**

**10.00 a.m. Family Communion**

**Lead:** Sue Goldsmith

**Preach/Preside:** Rev Margaret Fowler

**HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE**

## CHRIST CHURCH

### STREET PASTORS

Celebrate their Fifth Anniversary **today Sunday 18 November** at 6.30 p.m. at St Mary's Church, High Street. Everyone is invited to share and hear about what they hope to do next.

### INTERVIEW FOR TEAM VICAR

Unfortunately we were unable to come to a consensus last week when we interviewed a potential candidate for one of the posts of team vicar. This was confirmed by Bishop John last Thursday. I know this will be disappointing, especially as we are all aware of how much prayer has been offered and especially as we have sought God's guidance throughout this process. However, it is important to make the right appointment. The parish profile will remain unchanged and we plan to re-advertise in the next few weeks with interviews taking place early 2019.

### PRAY TOGETHER

Please join us every Wednesday evening at 7.45 p.m. in Church to listen to God and pray together. The words and scriptures given are displayed on the Pray Together notice board and copies are available on the Welcome Table to take with you to use for weekly prayer.

### CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD – CAN YOU COUNT?

Our Christmas card with dates of our Christmas events and Services is now available. We will need some help with counting out cards for the schools and the organisations who use our buildings. Can you spare an hour or so on Monday, 19 November from 10 a.m. please?

### FOLDING CHAIRS FOR SALE

Do you need more chairs at Christmas! We have 50 upholstered folding chairs for sale at £15 each. They have hardly been used. If you would like to buy some please speak to Les Sheppard.

## CHRISTMAS

### CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – 1 DECEMBER 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The Bazaar will be our first Christmas outreach to the community and we need your help please! Items needed for tombola, toy stall, cake stall, unwanted gifts, bric-a-brac and secondhand jewellery please. There are boxes in the lobby for you to leave your items. Jenny Deall would like some help with the coffee shop, and Val Sheppard and Margaret would like to hear from you if you can help out on a stall.

### MESSY CHURCH CHRISTMAS – 8 DECEMBER

Volunteers needed please to help plan for a Christmas Messy Church on Saturday, 8 December from 2 - 4 p.m. We need help with crafts, refreshments, music, story etc. Please speak to Margaret.

### BILLERICAY CHRISTMAS MARKET – SUNDAY, 2 DECEMBER

Carol singers and musicians are needed for the Christ Church slot in St Mary Magdalen from 3 - 4 p.m. please. Let Margaret know if you are available. Also needed are donations of mince pies and help to serve tea and coffee. Please contact Pauline Randall (654540) if you can help with Refreshments.

### CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA & CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEMONSTRATION SATURDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2 - 4 P.M.

Our Christmas Afternoon Tea this year will include a Christmas flower demonstration by Linda Gilbey. Tickets £5 each, £2 for the retired. Put the date in your diary! Volunteers will be needed to lay tables, welcome guests, provide refreshments, make tea etc. Please let Margaret know if you can help.

### BILLERICAY COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT 15 December at 7.30 p.m.

The Billericay Community Choir "A Winter's Tale" Concert will be held in Christ Church on 15 December. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. Any donations will be divided between Christ Church and Billericay Baptist Church. For details phone Vince on 657169 or Chris Davis on 656904.

### CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

The CTB Christmas Day Lunch will be held at Emmanuel Church this year. The lunch is open to everyone. There is no charge for the meal and lifts can be provided. Arrivals from 1 p.m. for a 1.30 p.m. sit down. **RSVP is essential to 01277 625015 by 18 December 2018 please.**

### MIDWEEK WORSHIP -

#### BILLERICAY TEAM MINISTRY & CTB

- Mon: Morning Prayer at Christ Church at 9.00 a.m.  
Tue: Morning Prayer at Emmanuel at 9.00 a.m.  
Wed: Holy Communion at St Mary Magdalen "The Church in the High Street" at 10.00 a.m.  
Shared between the Team Clergy  
Thur: Morning Prayer at St Mary the Virgin at 9.00 a.m.  
Fri: United in Prayer with CTB at St Mary Magdalen "The Church in the High Street" at 8.00 a.m.

### KEY DATES IN CHRIST CHURCH DIARY

- 19 November PCC, Emmanuel Church  
27 November Leadership Team  
1 December Christmas Bazaar 10 a.m.—1 p.m.  
8 December Messy Church Christmas  
9 December Jonathan Veira Concert  
10 December DCC  
15 December Christmas Tea and Flower Demo.  
15 December Billericay Community Choir Concert

### SPECIAL PRAYERS

**Morning Prayer is held in the Church every Monday at 9.00 a.m. when we pray for the Church and the world.**

**For Rev Margaret Fowler:** Please pray for Margaret as she prepares for a funeral next week, and Advent and Christmas.

**For Liz Skudder Outreach Worker:** Please pray for Liz and the young people as they lead worship today.