

Spotlight Link Newsletter.

Week Commencing 1st January 2017.

We wish all our readers a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

Fr Michael Bartlett - Tel 01527 545709.

Team Rector.

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Fr Glenn Reading - Tel 01527 894436 or 07964

282278 Team Vicar

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church

Service for Sunday 1st January Circumcision.

9-00am BCP Eucharist led by Rev Barry Jones.

Please note **No Family Service.**

Service for Tuesday 3rd January.

10-00am Said Eucharist CW led by Fr Glenn.

Service for Sunday 8th January Epiphany

10-30am CW Sung Eucharist led by Fr Glenn & Sunday Stars led by Irene.

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www.astwoodbankchurch.org.uk

Reports on Christmas Activities.

Thanks to Glenn for organising this years Christmas cards for the village and to Pauline and Glenn for organising young and old to distribute these as far as possible around the village.

Christingle raised £265-65 and a further £25 was donated to the carol singers to add to this.

Thanks to Helen for organising the Carol Singers, she had a lot of help and support from the ladies group to ensure a good supply of singers and from members of the congregation who were able to join us. Mulled wine and mince pies were enjoyed afterwards in the hall. The main purpose of singing was to ensure at least some of the housebound were visited. It was not intended to raise funds but we accepted what we were offered to add to the Christingle monies.

Thanks to Rhonda and her team for again decorating the church for our festivities.

Many thanks to Irene and her team for organising the Nativity on Christmas Eve and adding a Christingle service. This turned out to be a very well attended event with several new people from the village joining in.

Thanks to all who contributed to the food bank and this has now gone on its way via the Bridge. There is a new box under the sign as this is an almost continuous need if anyone has anything else to spare.

We continue to pray for Mick Bolt, Jean Green, Philippa Kreuser, Alex, Mike Lawes, Karen & Dale Roberts, Kath Moody, Colin & Alison Daines, Marion Lee, Edna Weale, Jean Lees, Duncan Glover, Kate Vicos Joyce Thomas, and Margaret Emms together with their families at this time.

May you have the Spirit of Christmas which is **Peace.**

The Gladness of Christmas which is **Hope.**

And the Heart of Christmas which is **Love.**

Pastoral Care .If you know anyone requesting a pastoral visit or Home Communion please contact Irene Hamilton on 894179.

Tuesday 10th January 2017

P.C.C. Meeting in the Hall/Vicarage at 7-40pm with HC in church at 7-00pm which is open to all.

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