

St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of "Christ the King" team ministry.
Week Commencing 30th January 2018

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3v 17.

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Today's Service for Sunday 30th December, First Sunday After Christmas
10.30 am sung Eucharist (Common Worship) we welcome Rev Barry Jones to lead us.
Hymns: 75 Child in the manger
65 Born in the night
317 Lord, the light of your love is shining
520 Thy kingdom come! On bended knee
205 He who would valiant be

Services for W/C 30th December
There will be no weekday services this week during the school holidays.
Sunday 6th January Epiphany 9.00 am said Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
10.30 am informal Family Service led by Irene

We pray for those who are sick:- Mick Bolt, Philippa Kreuser, Rosie, Alex, Edna Weale, Jean Lees, Joyce Thomas, Margaret Emms, Margaret Mills, Marion Williams, Tally, Alexei, Sarah Harwood, Rosemary Hudson, Rev Ivor and Dora Merry, Margaret Savage, Ann Heath, Liz, Janie and Stewart Kirby, Nesta Pearman, Kerry, Hazel Richards, Heather and their families.

Stamps! With the Christmas tidy up still taking place, please put any stamps collected from Christmas cards in the box at the back of the church or in an envelope through the letterbox of Pam Emery who collects them for charity.

Spotlight Notices: Please give notices for inclusion in Spotlight to **Richard Porteous** by next Thursday on 01527 542620 or at richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk

Log onto our website for more information
www.astwoodbankchurch.org.uk

Nightstop foodbank: *There is a box at the rear of the church in which you can place food and toiletry gifts.*

Churches Together in Redditch: Today is the final December call to prayer. It has been different as we have been invited to pray for all churches and congregation in the CTiR group. There are at least 21 congregations in the Redditch area that are formal members of CTiR, and several other fellowships. We have been asked to pray *for the congregations and ministers in each of these churches:* that we would be refreshed, renewed, encouraged, enthused, even surprised as we celebrated Christ's birth. We have prayed that through our activities and services, new people will have been reached and received the good news of His coming.

Inspirational Christmas Quotes:
And when the Lord Jesus has become your peace, remember, there is another thing: good will towards men. Do not try to keep Christmas without good will towards men." -Charles Spurgeon (*And of course women*)

"All the Christmas presents in the world are worth nothing without the presence of Christ." -David Jeremiah

"The great challenge left to us is to cut through all the glitz and glam of the season that has grown increasingly secular and commercial, and be reminded of the beauty of the One who is Christmas." -Bill Crowder

"The very purpose of Christ's coming into the world was that he might offer up his life as a sacrifice for the sins of men. He came to die. This is the heart of Christmas." -Rev. Billy Graham