

The Parish of Radyr Newsletter

5th December – The Second Sunday of Advent

HEADLINES

Covid: please remember to wear a face covering even during the singing of hymns. The sacrament will now be distributed in one kind (bread) only at the altar rail – but please remain standing.

So, do come and join us in Christ Church at 8am or 11am or St John's at 9.15am For those still unable to get to church for whatever reason, we are now regularly streaming the 11:00 Sunday service on the [Parish's YouTube channel](#).

'Get Ready for Christmas' We just thought we ought to re-echo the congratulations and thanks to everyone involved with this event, which raised nearly £2100. It was a wonderful achievement for Rubina and her team.

Christingle Service – Christ Church, next Sunday, 12th December 6.00pm. Do come along to this lovely service in Christ Church and bring along your families.

Our Christmas Tree Festival will start on the same day. Can you help by being in church for a two hour slot to allow things to run smoothly? (Think of it in terms of rest and relaxation!). A list will be on display at the back of Church for you to fill in a convenient time. Thank you.



GOOD GRIEF is a group which meets **each Thursday** at 2.00pm in Christ Church for a cuppa and conversation; an opportunity for those who have been bereaved recently, or even years ago, to gather to chat and share the grief journey together. **Please note** the group will be taking a break over the Christmas period - final session 16th December and starting again on 6th January 2022

Refreshments after Sunday services Do stay for a chat after **the 9.15am service at St John's and the 11:00am service at Christ Church**, when we will be serving coffee and tea.

Electoral Roll There is a requirement to build a new Electoral Roll as a basis for the Garth Ministry Area which comes into being on 1st January 2022. As a Parish, we were meant to create a new Roll in 2020 but that had to be abandoned due to the pandemic. For those who don't know, the Roll is important to the Church in Wales as it forms the legal basis for elections for various positions (in just the same way as you have to be registered to vote for an MP or Councillor). However, it is also important locally as the Roll forms the basis of our communications with you.

Adding your name to the Electoral Roll is a very simple process. The necessary form (and associated Privacy Notice) were sent out last week, but can also be [downloaded from the Parish Website](#). Just fill in the details and hand it into church or send it to me at 7 Station Road, Radyr Cardiff, CF15 8AA by 2nd January 2022. The information you provide will be kept secure, as is explained in the Privacy Notice. Welsh versions of the forms are also available. If you have any questions, do speak to Vicki or the Churchwardens.

Ministry Area Vestry Meeting. Although the MA comes into existence on 1st January 2022, it will not be formally constituted until the first Vestry Meeting (which is why the new Electoral Roll needs to be completed) **at 6pm on Sunday, 23rd January 2022 in Christ Church**. Please put that date in your diary. Everyone is invited to Evensong at 5pm followed by a glass of wine and then the meeting at 6pm. *And please let Vicki know if you might be prepared to serve on the new Ministry Area Council (which replaces the existing PCC and will meet four times a year).* It is a opportunity to shape the future of our church.

SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun 5 th	8.00am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church
	9.15am	Holy Eucharist	St John's
	11.00am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church
	6.00pm	Evening Worship	Christ Church
Wed 8 th	9.30am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church
Thurs 9 th	11.00am	Holy Eucharist	St John's
	2.00pm	Good Grief	Christ Church
	6.00pm	Choir practice	Christ Church
Sun 12 th	8.00am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church
	9.15am	Holy Eucharist	St John's
	11.00am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church
	6.00pm	Christingle	Christ Church



Sunday Club would like to thank everyone who sponsored the children to be quiet. We raised over £270.

A reminder: Mothers' Union Christmas Lunch **Monday, 13th December**, 12 midday at the Maltsters Arms Llandaff.

Toddler groups Do you have a spare Tuesday or Wednesday morning once every 4-6 weeks? Our thriving parent and toddler groups at Christ Church and St John's have teams of volunteers who help out every few weeks, but could do with a few more willing helpers. If you would like to find out more, please contact Kim Johnston for Bumps a Daisy at Christ Church (07756 079155), or Cheryl Evans for Little Lambs at St John's (07917 440955).

Cardiff Foodbank's top three items are Shower Gel, fruit juice (long life, 1 litre) and milk (UHT long/life, 1 litre).

A list of Christmas events and services to put in your diary:

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE Sunday, 12th December 6pm Christ Church

Children, do join us prepared with an orange, a piece of red ribbon or tape, a small candle, four cocktail sticks, a handful of soft sweets/dried fruit (or, if you prefer, raisins or grapes)



CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – starts 12th December Christ Church

Come and see trees decorated by local organisations

CHRISTINGLE and CAROLS SERVICE Friday, 17th December 6pm St John's

As above plus Carols

NINE LESSONS and CAROLS Saturday, 18th December 6pm Christ Church

The traditional Service of readings and music

CHRISTMAS EVE 24th December

CRIB SERVICE 5pm, Christ Church

Children do join dressed up as characters from the nativity: angels, shepherds, wise men, etc!

THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF CHRISTMAS, 9pm St John's

MIDNIGHT MASS 11.30pm, Christ Church

CHRISTMAS DAY 25th December

CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE 9.15am St John's

CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE 11am Christ Church

To Make Online Donations to the Parish

Thank you for your continued support of your offerings to the Parish. If you would like to make a monetary contribution or set up a direct debit or bank standing order, please donate using the Bank details below. There is more information on the [Giving Page on our website](#).

Account name: Radyr PCC Sort Code: 53:70:30 Account Number 09202846

If you would like something included in next week's Newsletter, please contact one of the Churchwardens, or send the copy to hawkinsnick@msn.com.

Please also send information/photos for the Parish Website to RadyrParishWebsite@gmail.com

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Please call or email the clergy team at any time.

(Their day off is usually Friday but may be called at any time in extremis).

Please note that Vicki is having a well-earned retreat next week (Monday 6th – Friday 10th) so all queries to Belinda or the wardens during this time please

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