

LOOKING AHEAD

Daily Office Monday - Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 8.00am and 5.30pm
Tuesday: 8am & 4.30pm

Sun 10 December 2017 10am	Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent
Tues 12 December 2017 7pm	Advent Course (<i>vicarage</i>)
Fri 15 December 2017 9.30am	Little Lights
Sat 16 December 2017 12.30pm	Christingle Service (<i>Christingle making in all from 11.30am</i>)
Sun 17 December 2017 10am	Mass for the Third Sunday of Advent
Sun 17 December 2017 4pm	Carol Service
Tues 19 December 2017 7pm	Advent Course (<i>vicarage</i>)
Wed 20 December 2017 9.30am	St Paul with St Luke Christmas Service (<i>church</i>)
Fri 22 December 2017 9.30am	Little Lights Christmas Party
Sun 24 December 2017 10am	Mass for Fourth Sunday of Advent (<i>Sunday School</i>)
Sun 24 December 2017 11pm	Carols in Church
Sun 24 December 2017 11.30pm	Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve)
Mon 25 December 2017 11am	Mass for Christmas Day
Mon 26 December 2017 11am	Mass for St Stephen
Tues 27 December 2017 11am	Mass for St John
Wed 28 December 2017 11am	Mass for The Holy Innocents
Sun 31 December 2017 10am	Mass for Christmas 1
Sun 7 January 2018 10am	Mass for the Feast of the Epiphany (<i>Fr Mark Aitken</i>)
Fri 12 January 2018 9.30am	Little Lights
Sun 14 January 2018 10am	Baptism of Christ (<i>baptism</i>)
Sun 14 January 2018 7pm	Young People's Service
Tues 16 January 2018 12-4pm	Tuesday Sale
Fri 19 January 2018 9.30am	Little Lights

THIS IS THE GATE OF HEAVEN

Winner of 'The UK's Best Modern Churches' award November 2013

Next Sunday: 17th December 2017

Mass the 3rd Sunday of Advent

Hymns: 358 467 287 571 music group

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 Aimee 1 Thessalonians 5:15-24 Safia

Psalm 126 John 1:6-8, 19-28

Intercessions: Aimee Chalice: Aimee

Sidespeople: Safia & Ayo/Cathy

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THE CHURCH
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BOW COMMON



Sunday 17th December 2017
Mass the Second Sunday of Advent

Hymns: 98 307 519 454 music group

Isaiah 40:1-11 Nikki **2 Peter 3:8-15** Mary S

Psalm 85 **Mark:1:1-8**

Intercessions: Mary Mc **Chalice:** Mary S

Sidespeople: Elaine & Hendrika

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Edmond Brien, William Jarvis, Naomi Harris, Esther Christian, Margaret Diss, John Christian, Rachel Christian, Isobel Coates, Ray Williams, Charlie Berry, Dawn Smith, Sharni Josephine, Nojahan Hamid, Mark Emmerson, Jane Keefe, Audrey Mamei, Blesie Smith, Kenneth Lambert, Joseph Agatha, Winnie Hegarty Pegden, Mary McKenzie, Troy Fellows, Simon Gordon Clark, John Rowe, Caroline

For our link church of **Santa Monica, Maputo** in Mozambique

December Year's Mind: William McCrossan, Carl Clarke

Today we celebrate **the 2nd Sunday in Advent**, and thus a new year in the Church's calendar begins.

Advent is a time where we prepare ourselves spiritually as we look forward not only to our annual celebration of the first coming of Christ as the Child in the Manger, but also to that time when He will come again in power and glory at the end of time.

We continue our journey through year B (the year of Mark) in our three-year cycle of church readings.



Christingle Service

Saturday 16th December 2017 at 12.30pm.

Come along any time after 11.30am and make your Christingle for the Service.

Candlelit Carol Service: 4pm Sunday 17th December 2017.

Please invite family and friends to a this very special service of five lessons and carols. There will be mince pies and refreshments served afterwards.



Advent Course: Exploring Advent!

What is Advent? How do we hope in a world like this? Why does Christmas matter? And how can we prepare to receive the peace of Christ in our lives? When is Jesus going to come?

A space to explore all of your Christmas questions, with creative and meditative sessions, group discussions, and time for still, quiet prayer in preparation to celebrate the coming of Christ. (And also the coming of Aimee's home-made mince pies and other refreshments).

Every Tuesday in Advent, **7-8:30pm** in the **Vicarage**. Pop in and out as suits - each week a new topic is discussed.

Tuesday 5th December 2017, 7-8:30pm

Tuesday 12th December 2017, 7-8:30pm

Tuesday 19th December 2017 7-8:30pm

For more information talk to Aimee.

POPLAR HARCA invite you to the OVER 50s CHRISTMAS LUNCH ON TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER @ Poplar Union, 2 Cotall St, E14, 6TL.



There will be entertainment and complimentary wine and nibbles. Doors open at 1 pm. **£5 per person.** Visit your Neighbourhood Centre for tickets. For more information, see poster in the church hall.

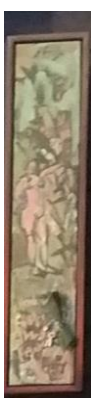
Please note: Tickets are going fast!

Our Church School - St Paul and St Luke will be holding their Christmas Service in Church at 9.30am on Wednesday 20th December.

All members of the congregation are especially welcome!

Decorating the church: On Sunday 24th December, our Sunday School will be offering their Christmas Presentation during the Mass.

After the service, we need lots of help to prepare the church for our Christmas services, e.g. decorating the Christmas trees, so do please stay behind to help if you can.



Your help is needed.

One of Helen de Sybel's paintings was sold by mistake at our Christmas Bazaar. It is part of a set. If you know who bought it, could you let Mthr. Bernadette know as Helen is willing to buy it back at a generous price.



The Over 50s Christmas Tea Dance –

Friday 15 December 2017 2pm-4.30pm at the Art Pavilion, Mile End Park, Clinton Rd, E3 4QY. **Free Admission** but advance booking is required. Phone: 0207 364 7916 for more information