

Embrace the Middle East is our Charity for January and is one of the oldest Christian Charities, set up in 1854 to support Christian communities in the Near and Far East. Known as the Bible Lands Missions Aid Society, changing it's name (to encourage wider funding, like so many other Christian charities) in 2012 to 'Embrace'. They supplied our Carols sheets and have been producing them since 1954. Today they continue to support children and families in the poorest areas – stories of those they have helped are mentioned in the Carol sheets.... visit - www.embraceme.org
Retiring collection - please be generous!

Wednesday Coffee Mornings have now finished to give our wonderful volunteers a well-deserved break. *We re-open on Wed 23 Jan.*

Christmas Flowers – *donations always much appreciated!*

Looking ahead...

Quiz & Supper Night - Monday 14 Jan. 7.30pm

Fun Night with Beetle Drive, Mini Quiz & Bingo – plus supper! Monday 28 Jan. 7.30pm



Christian Stewardship:

Our Giving on Sundays is always about our response to God's love for us, not just about paying the bills - 'Count your blessings,' as they say! Christmas services collections came to 312.90€. *Thank you for your support.* We also receive on average 776€ through monthly UK/Spanish standing order Offerings. It costs around 6,393€ each month to maintain our chaplaincy ministry (an increase of 1,092€ from 2017). Unlike other Diocese in the C/E, the Diocese of Europe does not provide Chaplaincies with any financial support for ministry.

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Saint Andrew's

Sunday 30 December 2018

Welcome to our Sung Eucharist on Holy Family Sunday

A special welcome if you are visiting.
If you require Gluten-free Altar bread – please have a word with one of the Welcomers.

Carol Sheet Nos: 8; 3; 11; (6); 9

*Do join us for refreshments after the Service,
which are served at the back of church*

If you pay tax in the UK and are visiting – please make use of the Gift Aid envelopes – it helps us a great deal. Please complete all the details required - Thank you!

Prayer Ministry is offered during Holy Communion:
Just make your way to the Quiet Room at the front of Church after receiving Holy Communion & someone will be there to pray with you or for you.

During the week:

Thurs 3rd 2019 – 12.30pm Eucharist

Next Sunday: 6 January 2019

Epiphany Sunday

10.00am Sung Eucharist

*To help you prepare for worship next Sunday
why not look up the readings we will use at:*

Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12

During the week please pray for:

Those in need: see list over

Recently Departed: Catherine Cooper

January Anniversaries: Freda Longhead,
Jane Hannahway, Victor Skon-Rees, William Arthur
Tonsaker, Alfonso Loeffler

CHRISTMAS 1 ~ THE HOLY FAMILY

OPENING PRAYER

Father, help us to live as the holy family, united in respect and love. Bring us to the joy and peace of your eternal home. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE READING (Colossians 3:12-21)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God: and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

*This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God***

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts;

let the message of Christ find a home with you

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

(Luke 2:41-52)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Every year the parents of Jesus used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When they were on their way home after the feast, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it.

They assumed he was with the caravan, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find him they went back to Jerusalem looking for him everywhere.

Three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, "My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you." "Why were you looking for me?" he replied. "Did you not know that I must

be busy with my Father's affairs?" But they did not understand what he meant.

He then went down with them and came to Nazareth and lived under their authority. His mother stored up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and all people.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.***

Thought for the week:

Let Christmas' true meaning,
rise up in you today...
may you see the real splendour
of Jesus' birth on this day.

May His beauty and grandeur,
cause your heart to sing
may the gift of His excellence
become your eternal spring.

May His majesty you behold,
with all dignity and honour
may the fullness of His truth
glorify His heavenly Father.

May the wonder of His grace,
reveal its magnificence in you
may the gratefulness you feel
be in all you say and do.

Let Christmas' true meaning,
bring your Saviour near today
may you see the need for Him
today, and every day.

Deborah Ann Belka

Praying for one another during the week:

Give thanks for the Incarnation
For the worship, work & witness of this Chaplaincy.
For all who feel alone or isolated at Christmas

Damian Walker, the Burns family, Marcus, Joseph, Sam, Clive L, Ken, Sarah Benelli, Dermot, Theo, Dene, Robert, Angela Ingham, Robert Wright, Sussana Barford, Sarah Feeney, Jonathan Navarro & family, Ian Cochran, Jesus Robert, Georgeann Tisdale, Linda Bell, David, Farin Marvich, James, Eli, Chris, Brian, Mary Pacey, Joyce Baugh, Tim Wykes, Maryrose, Malcolm Gallagher, Grace, Danny, Mark, Luke, Ellie, Stuart & family, Sharon, Alison, David, Penny, Lucie, Jo Fluff & family, Robyn & family, Stephen, Sue & family, Eddie, Beth, Ronald, Margaret & Brian, Liz & Albert, Mel & Matthew, Tanya, Luke, Lesley Parkes, Michelle, Tony, Ann Rudd, Derek Strathan. The recently bereaved.

