

A VERY PEACEFUL NEW YEAR TO ALL

Sunday 13th January 2019 10am: Revd Andy Wilson to be licensed as Priest-in-Charge of St John the Baptist, Purbrook (no 10.30 service at Christ Church).

Andy & Jacqui will be moving into the Vicarage at Purbrook on 16th January. From that date the **postal address for Christ Church** will become:

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Mission of the Month: Children's Society



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Christ Church

For Christ. For you.

Welcome to our services today.
Please join us for refreshments
after The 10.30 Service

Sunday 30th December 2018 – 1st Sunday of Christmas

0800 The 8.00 Service (Holy Communion 1)
1030 The 10.30 Service

This Week's Activities

Thursday 1400 Prayer Meeting (hosted by June Ames)
Friday 1415 Friday Friends (church hall)
Saturday 0900 Church Cleaning
1100 Burial of Ashes (churcyard)

Sunday 6th January 2019 – Epiphany

0800 The 8.00 Service (Holy Communion 2)
1030 The 10.30 Service (Holy Communion)
1830 New Wine Celebration at CoGS
Speaker: Andy Economides

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

COLLECT

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Colossians 3:12-17

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. ¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all 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

SECOND READING: Luke 2:41-52

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you O Lord

⁴¹ Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. ⁴² When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. ⁴³ After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. ⁴⁴ Thinking he was in their company, they travelled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you." ⁴⁹ "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁵¹ Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ