



# CHRISTMAS AT CHRIST CHURCH DARTFORD

As we approach advent we do not know fully what our Christmas season will look like.

**But Christmas will not be cancelled!**

Jesus came for us ALL over 2000 years ago. God became human that first Christmas day so that our relationship with Him could be restored. Throughout this pandemic, this has not changed, God continues to want to be with each and every one of us. So, join us to celebrate the birth and coming of Jesus!

As with everything else this year, our Christmas services will be a little different. We will have a Festive All Age Service and, in addition, a more reflective style of worship service - Christmas by Candlelight.

With social distancing in place, our capacity is significantly reduced, so we will be repeating these services a number of times. Please choose your preferred worship style and book your place with the church office either by phone or email, details below. To keep everyone safe you will need to wear a face covering and sit in allocated spaces with proper distancing. For those unable to attend, these services will also be edited to go on line. We are planning to be back in church from Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December so that we can worship together again during Advent and Christmas. If this changes, our services will still be available on line via the Christ Church YouTube page.

## CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS SERVICES

### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December

4pm Festive All Age Service\*

6:30pm Christmas by Candlelight\*

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December

4pm Festive All Age Service\*

6:30pm Christmas by Candlelight\*

### Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December - CHRISTMAS EVE

4pm Festive All Age Service\*

NO MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

11.50pm Live, short, reflective service on Facebook

### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December - CHRISTMAS DAY

10am Family Communion

And, from 10am, Online Pre-recorded Christmas Service

**\*Remember to  
book via the  
church office for  
these services**

### Useful Information

Christ Church Office – 01322 221589      Email – christchurchdartford@hotmail.co.uk

Please note that the lines are not regularly manned, please leave a message and someone will get back to you.

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## OUR CURRENT SUNDAY WORSHIP PATTERN

**9am** Holy Communion in Church

*Currently not in operation due to lockdown, we hope to meet again on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December*

**10am** On Line Service via Christ Church Dartford, YouTube page

**11am** Phone-In Service, phone 0333 011 0616, access code 1038685#

## Christ Church, Dartford is a House of Prayer

It is open each Wednesday from 2pm to 3pm for individual private prayer

## Church News in Brief

- Our children and youth provision is continuing in an on line fashion. Please contact Lynne Parkinson if you need further information.
- A Nativity Treasure Trail for Advent is being developed for all to enjoy. This will be a gentle walk around the parish finishing at finding the baby Jesus at the church grounds, where a selfie can be taken with a nativity backdrop. Contact the church office if you would like this Treasure Trail.
- A team of people will be singing carols around the parish on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 4 to 6pm. Please contact Catherine Mortimer if you need further information.
- Suzanne Abraham's painting sessions have been attended by Malou Bolton and 3 friends in Serbia - Christ Church has gone global!
- 56 Shoeboxes were collected for the Amen Charity with donations of £245 plus which covered the cost of sending the shoebox to its recipient with some left over.
- Are you looking to be baptised or confirmed? If so, then please do contact the church office and we will get back to you for a chat.
- Richard is planning an introductory course, to run in the New Year, called 'Following Christ', for people to explore what it is to be a Christian. If you are interested, please do contact the church office.

**And, finally, as so many people are bearing pain this time, be it the loss of a loved one, or of a job, or a feeling of isolation, please feel free to contact the church office and we'll get back to you for prayer or practical help to support you in life's journey.**

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