

DEMELZA Instead of sending so many Christmas cards this year, why not support **Demelza House Children's Hospice**, by signing our St Paul's Christmas card and making a donation. If you are tax payer you can Gift Aid your contribution by filling in the form on the table. The card will be at the back of church until Christmas.



If you have a notice for Sunday, 16th December please e-mail the office at: office@spnh.org.uk or adminstpaulnh@hotmail.co.uk by Wednesday, 12th December, *Thank you.*



Prayers for the Week We pray for our world, our country and our local community. We also pray for those known to us and those who are ill, recently bereaved, homeless, lonely, and sad or in difficulty and distress.

Please pray that God would continue to pour his healing power in and through the lives of those people named below:

Andrew Bennett and Charles Brooke. For Carol & John O'Connor, Alan Fermer and Jane & George Stafford. For Karen Silver's step-mum following the return of her illness. For Peggy Vidler, Ingrid Walsh, Jeanette Watts and Mark Williams.

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Info: For those wishing to give by bank transfer, our bank details are:
Code 60-15-28 Account No: 66526434 Account Name: St Paul's Church
Reference: *your name*

Welcome to our Toy Service

and a warm welcome this Sunday to our visitor Helen, representing Women's Aid



SUNDAY, 9TH DECEMBER

The Second Sunday of Advent

ALL AGE WORSHIP

Web-site: www.spnh.org.uk
Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stpaulsnorthumberlandheath

Please do all join us after the service for tea or coffee and a chat. If you are new, please make yourself known to us. Members of our prayer team are available after the service should you wish to talk and pray through any issue. Please make your way to the chancel area where they will pray for you.

If you would like to receive notices and other information electronically, please contact: office@stpaulsnorthumberlandheath.org.uk and we will arrange to add you to the list.

THEME: CHRISTMAS PROPHECIES 1

JESUS' FAMILY TREE

READING: 2 SAMUEL 7: 1 1b-13



Today's Hymns

<i>Song to be sung before the 10.30am Service SOF 33 At this time of giving</i>		
1.	In a stable long ago	
2. SoF 491	See Him lying in a bed of straw (<i>Calypso Carol</i>)	
3. SoF 741	Great, great, brill, brill	
4. SoF 3215	You stepped down from heaven (<i>Adore</i>)	
5. SoF 420	O little town of Bethlehem	

A Glance Ahead

TODAY, SUNDAY 9th December

1.15pm *Information only:* The Children's Society are broadcasting an extra special episode of Songs of Praise, on BBC One, dedicated to celebrating 50 years since Christingle was brought to this country.

4.00pm Fellowship Tea here at St Paul's

MONDAY, 10th December

7.30pm PCC Meeting - Lounge

TUESDAY, 11th December

8.00pm MEN's Group – Mulled wine and minced pies

WEDNESDAY, 12th December

9.15am Coffee Call

9.30am Morning Service – *Clive*

11.00am) Pre-School Christingle (*parents welcome*)

2.00pm) *ditto* (*parents welcome*)

FRIDAY, 14th December

12.30pm Bereavement Lunch

ALSO 14th-16th Dec. Erith Christmas Tree Festival, Christ Church Erith

Friday 14th Opens 12noon-6pm Erith Christmas Tree Festival,

Sat. 15th Opens 10.00am-6pm

Christmas Fair 10am-2pm (free admission)

Musical Concert – starting at 7.00pm

Sunday, 16th Opens at 12 noon-5pm

Carol Service by Tree Light @ 6.30pm

Later Carol Service by Tree Light @ 6.30pm

SUNDAY, 16th December

Following the 10.30am service on Sunday 16th December, Lauraine will hold a service in the Memorial Garden where the ashes of the late Edith Rose will be laid to rest. For those who may wish to join the family, please do so.

MONDAY, 17th December – Invitation by CRiBS

**YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO ATTEND OUR
25 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

ON

MONDAY, 17TH DECEMBER

AT

THE IONA THEATRE

ST COLUMBA'S BOYS' SCHOOL

HALCOT AVENUE, BEXLEYHEATH, KENT, DA6 7QB

Doors will open at 6pm for a special drinks reception prior to the main event commencing at 7pm

To book your place, please contact: The CRiBS Office on 01322 330730 or info@cribsonline.org. Please note places are limited and are offered on a 'first come, first served' basis. Tim Luff, CRiBS Ambassador

POSADA



Posadas are an important part of Mexican Christmas celebrations. The word *Posada* means “inn” or “shelter” in Spanish and in this tradition children travel around their neighbourhood re-enacting Mary and Joseph's search for a place to stay in Bethlehem. At St Paul's we also have a

Posada tradition, we offer the opportunity to take a nativity set home for a week during Advent for the children to play with and for the adults to share the Christmas story with them. If you would like to give one of our Holy Family play sets a place to stay during Advent, please see Janet or just sign one out after the service



A warm welcome to baby *Olivia Fermer*, born 26th November 2018, to proud parents Daniel & Alice Fermer (*past Cub leaders of 2nd Erith group*), and a lovely Granddaughter for Elaine Fermer. Congratulations to you all!
