

Collections: The collections from the *Carols by Candlelight* and *Midnight Communion* services will go to the Bexley Winter Shelter. This was set up in 2016 as a joint church initiative. It provides a safe place for rough sleepers. They are given a hot evening meal, a bed and a cooked breakfast from the beginning of January until the end of March and they also receive help and advice.

Christingle Service: The collection will go to **CRiBS**

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, 23rd December please e-mail the office at: office@spnh.org.uk or adminstpaulnh@hotmail.co.uk by Wednesday, 19th 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 St Paul's Church



SUNDAY, 16TH DECEMBER

The Third Sunday of Advent

FAMILY COMMUNION

Web-site: www.spnh.org.uk

Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stpaulsnorthumberlandheath

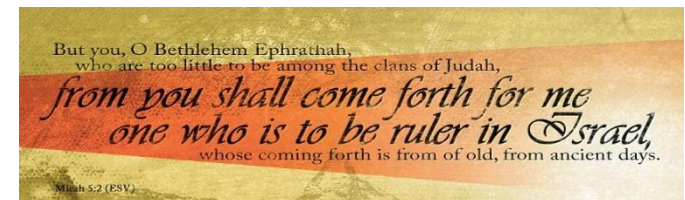
Please do all join us after the service for tea or coffee and a chat. If you are new, please make yourself known to us. Members of our prayer team are available after the service should you wish to talk and pray through any issue. Please make your way to the chancel area where they will pray for you.

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 2

JESUS WILL RULE

READING: MICAH 5: 2-4



Today's Hymns

9.00am Holy Communion service Song to be played before the service
SoF 498 – Silent Night

SoF 420 O little town of Bethlehem

SoF 438 Once in Royal David's City

1. SoF 3183	You hear me when I call (<i>Angel armies</i>)
2.	Deep, deep, deep
3.	The Virgin Mary had a baby boy
4. SoF 3215	You stepped down from heaven (<i>Adore</i>)
5. SoF 420	O little town of Bethlehem

A Glance Ahead

TODAY, SUNDAY 16th December

Following the 10.30am service this morning, 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.

Later today Erith Christmas Tree Festival, Christ Church, Erith
Opens at 12 noon-5pm
Carol Service by Tree Light @ 6.30pm

MONDAY, 17th December Invitation by CRiBS

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

ON

MONDAY, 17th DECEMBER

@ 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

ALSO ON

MONDAY, 17th December

8pm-10pm Home Group (*Lounge*) Charles

TUESDAY, 18th December

9.30-11.00am North'Heath Primary School Christmas service at St Paul's.

WEDNESDAY, 19th December

9.15am Coffee Call

9.30am **NO MORNING COMMUNION**

11.00am **Pre-School Nativity** (*Parents and those of you from St Paul's who are able to join them, please do so, you will be most welcome.*)



FRIDAY, 21st December

10.00-1.00pm Pre-school end of term Christmas Party



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

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday, 23rd December

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Worship

6.00pm Carols by Candlelight



Gentle Reminder! Please do bring along some mince pies for the refreshments following the Carols by Candlelight service. There will also be mulled wine, tea and coffee. Thankyou.

Monday, 24th December

4.00pm 'Mary Poppins' Christingle

11.30pm Midnight Service

Tuesday, 25th December

10.00am Christmas Celebration

more information overleaf re Collections

