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WELCOME

DECEMBER 2009/JANUARY 2010

The shops start their Christmas preparations earlier each year and we seem to get swept up in all the fripperies, until it becomes a real challenge to concentrate on the true meaning and purpose of Christmas. The giving and receiving of cards and letters is an integral part of it too, so the truce in the postal dispute is welcome.

Here at St James's many of the local schools will be holding their carol concerts in our church, as will the Voluntary Care Group. We too, have our services to celebrate Christmas and you will be very welcome at any of them.

The centrespread features the Shooting Star hospice in Hampton. Christmas is a special time for all children and the hospice needs help to be able to continue its wonderful work.

On behalf of the entire editorial committee may I wish all our readers a happy and peaceful Christmas and we look forward with hope to 2010.

Best wishes

Janet

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Services for December and January

Christmas at St James's

6 December - 2nd Sunday of Advent
8am and 11.15am Holy Communion
Malachi 3.1-4; Philippians 1.3-11; Luke 3.1-6
9.30am Christingle service
John 1.6-14

13 December - 3rd Sunday of Advent
Zephaniah 3.14-20; Philippians 4.4-7; Luke 3.7-18

20 December - 4th Sunday of Advent
8am and 9.30am Micah 5.2-5a; Hebrews 10.5-10; Luke 1.39-45
6.30 Carol Service

Thursday 24 December - Christmas Eve
4.30pm Crib Service

11pm Midnight Mass
Isaiah 9.2-7; Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-14

Friday 25 December - Christmas Day
8am Holy Communion
(Book of Common Prayer)
9.30am Parish Communion
Hebrews 1.1-4; John 1.1-14

Saturday 26 December
St. Stephen's Day
10am Holy Communion

27 December - 1st Sun after Christmas: St. John Exodus 33.7-11a; 1 John 1; John 21.19b-25

Friday 1 January - New Year's Day, Naming and Circumcision of Jesus
12 noon Holy Communion

3 January - 2nd Sunday after Christmas
Epiphany of the Lord
Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

10 January - Baptism of Christ
Isaiah 43.1-7; Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

17 January - 2nd Sunday of Epiphany
Isaiah 62.1-5; 1 Corinthians 12.1-11; John 2.1-11

24 January - 3rd Sunday of Epiphany
Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a; Luke 4.14-21

31 January - Candlemas
Presentation of Christ in the Temple
Malachi 3.1-5; Hebrews 2.14-18; Luke 2.22-40

For details of regular weekly services over the holiday period please check in church, contact the Parish Office or go online

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