***Thanks to our carol singers the total at St George’s Centre for Christian Aid was* £546.70p**

**LATER: Christmas Eve**

3pm & 5pm Crib Service

Come as a shepherd or an angel, or come as yourself!

11pm Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day**

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Christmas Eucharist with carols

**New Year’s Eve Party from 7.30pm -£10 for food and fireworks. Bring your own drinks. Names to Jan and Lucy.**

****Remember in addition to the collection plate you can give to the Church using the card reader or online - you will find our giving page using this QR code.



**Prayers of Love and Faith** You may be aware that the Bishop have begun to publish and authorise a series of prayers of blessing for same-sex couples. At present these do not include a full service of blessing or marriage. I have put a copy of the prayers on the notice board with accompanying pastoral guidance document and Bishop Jonathan’s pastoral letter. The PCC will be looking at the way forward at its January meeting. The Vicar is happy to talk to anyone with questions about this.

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**24th December**

*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist

(followed by refreshments)

**THIS MORNING’S HYMNS**

438 Make way make way

634The angel Gabriel

605 Sing we of the blessed mother

259 Hail to the Lord’s anointed

182 For Mary mother

664 The saviour will come

406 Long ago

**Wednesday 27th December St John**

10am Holy Communion

**Next Sunday 31stDecember**

*The first Sunday of Christmas*

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist

 (followed by refreshments)

**MORNING PRAYER** resumes on Tuesday 2nd January

*Pray that we may be ready to say YES to God’s call.*

**Please pray for**

The people of Israel and Palestine

The United Nations & all engaged in diplomacy

The people and churches of the Holy Land & Archbishop Naoum

All affected by war, extreme weather or natural disasters

Those forced to leave their homes

Those who are hungry, cold or lonely this Christmas

All who live or work in care and nursing homes, particularly our friends at Larchwood

Please remember those who have died recently especially John Osborne, David Martin and those who mourn.

If you are interested in school admissions please speak to the welcomers who will register your attendance.

We cannot sign forms unless we have a record of your attendance.

A weekly **children’s sheet** is also available at the door. Please take one if you have someone you would like to pass it on to.