

**F.R.O.G. information – Community Hall Project**

**Are you Shopping on the internet  
for your Christmas presents or food etc?**

If you are, please pick up an easy fund raising leaflet from the back of the church.

**Having a new mobile phone for Christmas?**

If you are, please put your old ones into the box at the back of the Church

**Lottery Bonus Ball**

Have you bought your £1.00 lottery bonus ball for next Saturdays draw if not, please see Ron Jones,

**Inscribed Pavers**

These could be an excellent Christmas Present for a loved one. Cost £50 or £75

**NB** External funding for the Community Hall depends on us showing evidence of support from the Community, particularly individuals or user groups who would use the new facility if it were built. We need another 30 or so potential users.

If you know of any potential users fill in a Telephone Questionnaire and give details (group, contact details, type and frequency of usage) to David Greaves or the Rector **Thank you**

**Christmas Cards**

Those who wish to cut down on the amount of cards that they give to each other, will have the opportunity to just send 1 card to everyone and place it on the strings provided around the Foden Room, any money you save could be given to the Church, your own chosen Charity or to FROG, the decision to give and to whom is entirely yours.

**Prayer List**

If you know of people who are unwell or in other need – Please fill in a prayer card at rear of church and place in box.

**Advent Boxes for Christmas**

for St Basils are still available from back of church

**"Envelope Scheme"**

The envelopes for 2010 are now available for collection from the table at the back of the church by the entrance door. Anyone wishing to join the envelope scheme should contact Ian Galloway or Elaine Jeffs as soon as possible. **Thank you**

**Weekly notices or meetings**

Items for the next weeks weekly notes must reach Mary Jones by **Wednesday** tel no 747 3328 or email [mary.roma4@btinternet.com](mailto:mary.roma4@btinternet.com)



**Castle Bromwich Parish Church  
Weekly notes**

**SUNDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> December  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**[www.stmaryandstmargaret.co.uk](http://www.stmaryandstmargaret.co.uk)**

**A Christmas Prayer** *by Robert Louis Stevenson*

Loving Father,  
Help us remember the birth of Jesus,  
that we may share in the song of the angels,  
the gladness of the shepherds,  
and worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate  
and open the door of love all over the world.  
Let kindness come with every gift  
and good desires with every greeting.  
Deliver us from evil by the blessing  
which Christ brings,  
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning  
make us happy to be thy children,  
and Christmas evening bring us to our beds  
with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven,  
for Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

**Extra Church Services over Christmas**

Sunday 20th December 6:30pm Carol Service

Thursday 24th December Christmas Eve

5:00pm Children's Crib Service

11:30pm Christmas Midnight Mass

Friday 25th December Christmas Day

8:00am said Eucharist

10:00am Eucharist with Carols

**Welcome Card**

Are you visiting our beautiful old church for the first time during this Christmas period? If so, we warmly welcome you. We would be delighted to know more about you and would love you to fill in the Welcome Card and place in box at rear of church

**Thank you**

**Christmas Tree**

What a beauty, thanks to David and Barbara Betteridge for their wonderful contribution

**Christmas Flowers**

There is a Retiring Collection  
for Christmas Flowers

Castle Bromwich Parish Church  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
20<sup>th</sup> December 2009

**Readings** page 744  
**OT** Micah 5.2 – 5a  
**NT** Hebrews 10.5 - 10  
**Gospel** Luke 1. 39-45

**COLLECT**

Eternal God,  
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,  
so we wait for his coming in glory;  
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age  
to see, with her, our great salvation  
in Jesus Christ our Lord

**Amen**

**POST COMMUNION**

Heavenly Father,  
who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of the promised Saviour:  
fill us your servants with your grace,  
that in all things we may embrace your holy will  
and with her rejoice in your salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**8.00 am Said Eucharist**

**10.00 am Parish Eucharist**

**Hymns**

Introit	373	<i>Lo he comes</i>
Gradual	1684	<i>Tell out my soul</i>
Offertory	686	<i>The Angel Gabriel</i>
Communion		<i>Ave Maria</i>
	339	<i>Just as I am</i>
Recessional	522	<i>O come O come Emmanuel</i>

Response to Psalm

“I will sing for ever of your love O Lord”

***We welcome children into our church,  
and want them to feel comfortable.***

***Bags with books and toys are provided for use in  
the pews on the right hand side of church  
Please put these items back into the bags  
at the end of the service.***

***Try to encourage your child to whisper, not shout,  
Difficult we know but with practice it can be done***

- Wayfarers meet in the Foden Room after the Gospel
- Mince Pies and Sherry after the service in the Foden Room

**6.30 pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols**  
- see service sheet



**Events for the rest of the week**

**TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

**2.00 pm** Emmaus Group at 9 Woodford Ave

**7.00 pm** Holy Eucharist - DL p 60

R: “Blessed be the name of the Lord”

**WEDNESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

**9.30 am** Holy Eucharist – DL p 61

R: “To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul”

**7.30 pm** Bell Ringing Practice

**7.30 pm** Emmaus Group at the Rectory

**THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve**

**5.00 pm** Children’s Service - see service sheet

**11.30 pm** Midnight Mass - see service sheet

Response to Psalm

“ Today a saviour has been  
born to us he is Christ the Lord.”



**FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day**

**8.00 am Said Eucharist**

**10.00 am Parish Eucharist**

**COLLECT**

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching  
earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship  
you, our Saviour and our eternal God. **Amen**

**POST COMMUNION**

God our Father, whose Word has come among us  
in the Holy Child of Bethlehem:  
may the light of faith illumine our hearts  
and shine in our words and deeds;  
through him who is Christ the Lord **Amen**

**Hymns**

Introit	244	<i>Hark the herald</i>
Gradual	64	<i>Away in a manger</i>
Offertory	810	<i>While shepherds</i>
Post Communion	540	<i>O little town</i>
Recessional	520	<i>O Come all ye faithful</i>
No Psalm		

**SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> December Boxing Day**

St Stephen, Deacon & First Martyr

**9.00 am** Holy Eucharist - EH p 570

R: “Let my cry come before you, O Lord”

**SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas 1**

John Apostle and Evangelist

**8.00 am** Said Eucharist

**10.00 am** Parish Eucharist

**6.30 pm** No evensong

