



December Diary 2009

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Vicar's December Jottings

“Without actions, no-one listens. Without words, no-one understands.” [Graham Tomlin, *Provocative Church*]. Since time began God never ceased being active in his creation but with the birth of Jesus there came a seismic shift that began to catch the attention of the World. The after-shocks of Jesus' life are still with us but at the start it was up to others to speak the words while God remained wrapped up as a baby. Angels, Shepherds, Wise Men, Elizabeth, Zechariah... all spoke out in response to the action of God for anyone to hear if they would take time to listen.

Over Christmas 2009 we'll re-tell that story – sing carols in various places, welcome schools, set up candle-frames, light Advent candles, make Christingles, organise nativities, run crib services... We'll deliberately do things that invite people to listen afresh. We will put the words to the tunes. We'll be ready at anytime to explain why Jesus' birth is the most amazing and risky strategy of a loving God who wanted to demonstrate his love through His Son. We'll all want to be welcoming hosts to everyone who comes to listen at our events and services so that by our welcome we, too will enact something of the generosity of God himself and earn the right to speak so that they will understand.

The Writer to the Hebrews says that God had been speaking through his prophets down the ages but now he has spoken definitively to us by His Son [Heb.1:1-2]. John describes Jesus as the Word made flesh [John 1:14]. Jesus declared that by his life he was making The Father visible. We who have come to know that transforming Word are those today who “Live and work to His praise and Glory”. Just as the Shepherds were amazed by the Angels, so may the light of Christ so shine in us that others may see how we live and give glory to our Father in heaven!

Have a Wonder-full Christmas!

Nick Grew

Date & Day	Time	Details	Venue
1 st Tuesday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
2 nd Wednesday	1.45-2.45pm	Intercessors for Healing	HTrinity Church via Vestry
	7.30-9.00pm	Lighthouse	Holy Trinity Church Hall
	8.00pm	Wardens Meeting	Trinity House
3 rd Thursday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	St Saviour's Church
	12noon	Not-so-Young	King's House Coffee Shop
	1.15-2.45pm	Parent & Toddler Group	Holy Trinity Church Hall
5 th Saturday	8.00am	Prayer Meeting	Holy Trinity Coffee Room
6th SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion	Holy Trinity Church
Advent 2 	9.30am	Morning Service (Fairtrade Sale)	Holy Trinity Church
	9.45am	20:20 Church	St Saviour's Church
	(11.45am	Baptism of Tom & Rachel Henderson	Holy Trinity Church)
	6.30pm	Evening Hour	Holy Trinity Church
	6.30-8.00pm	Youth Cell Group (school yrs 10 & 11)	H Trinity Upper Rm
7 th Monday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
	8.00pm	PCC Meeting - Agree 2010 budget	Holy Trinity Church Hall
8 th Tuesday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
	8.00pm	Men's Curry Club	Khyber Pass, Knaphill
9 th Wednesday	12.30pm	Carols @ The Meadows (see Pauline Bailey)	The Meadows
	1.45-2.45pm	Intercessors for Healing	HTrinity Church via Vestry
	1.45pm	Brookwood School – yrs 5/6 Christingle @	St Saviour's Church
	7.00pm	Candle frames / Christmas tree decoration @	St Saviour's Church
	7.30-9.00pm	Lighthouse	Holy Trinity Church Hall

10 th Thursday	8.45am 11am 1.15-2.45pm	Morning Prayer Holy Trinity Pre-School Carols @ Parent & Toddlers / Toddler Praise	St Saviour's Church Holy Trinity Church Holy Trinity Hall & Church
11 th Friday	7.00pm	Scouts Carol Service	St Saviour's Church
12 th Saturday	8.00am 10.00am 3.30-5.30pm	Prayer Meeting Decorating the Christmas Tree @ Christmas Messy Church	Holy Trinity Coffee Room Holy Trinity Church St Saviour's Church/Hall

13th SUNDAY Advent 3	 9.30am 10.30am 6.30pm 6.30-8.00pm	Hands Free Holy Communion (Fairtrade Sale) Carols by Candlelight Youth Cell Group (school yrs 10 & 11)	Holy Trinity Church St Saviour's Church St Saviour's Church H Trinity Upper Rm
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14 th Monday	8.45am 9.30am 8.00pm	Morning Prayer Knaphill Junior Carol concert rehearsal THCE review meeting with Chris Neal	Holy Trinity Church Holy Trinity Church Trinity House
15 th Tuesday	8.45am 9.30am 5.30-7.30pm 7.00pm	Morning Prayer Brookwood School Carols Carols @ Brookwood Station Knaphill Junior School carol concert	Holy Trinity Church St Saviour's Church Brookwood Station Holy Trinity Church
16 th Wednesday	10.30am 1.45-2.45pm 5.30-7.30pm 7.30-9.00pm	Holy Communion: Isaiah 11:1-11 Intercessors for Healing Carols @ Brookwood Station Lighthouse	St Saviour's Church H Trinity Church via Vestry Brookwood Station Holy Trinity Church Hall
17 th Thursday	8.45am 1.15-2.45pm 8.00pm	Morning Prayer Parent & Toddler Christmas Party Carols in the Garibaldi Pub	St Saviour's Church Holy Trinity Church Hall Garibaldi Pub
18 th Friday	2.00pm	Carols @ King's House Coffee Shop	KHCS
19 th Saturday	8.00am 10.00am 2.00pm 4.30pm	Prayer Meeting Carols and Stories at Knaphill Library Christingle making-session Christingle	Holy Trinity Coffee Room Knaphill Library Holy Trinity Church Holy Trinity Church

20th SUNDAY Advent 4	9.30am 10.30am 6.30pm	Hands Free Holy Communion Intergen Carol Service	Holy Trinity Church St Saviour's Church Holy Trinity Church
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21 st Monday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
22 nd Tuesday	8.45am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Carols @ The Vyne	Holy Trinity Church The Vyne
23 rd Wednesday	1.45-2.45pm 7.30-9.00pm	Intercessors for Healing Lighthouse	H Trinity Church via Vestry Holy Trinity Church Hall
24 th Thursday	3.30pm 4.45pm 11.15pm 11.15pm	20:20 Crib Service 20:20 Crib Service Midnight Holy Communion Midnight Candlelit Holy Communion	St Saviour's Church St Saviour's Church Holy Trinity Church St Saviour's Church
25 th Friday	10.30am 10.30am	Christmas Family Service Christmas Family Service	Holy Trinity Church St Saviour's Church

27th SUNDAY	10.30am	Parish Family Holy Communion	St Saviour's Church
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