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Sunday 20 November 2016

'Christ the King'

Welcome!

We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit. Please do join us for refreshments in the hall after the 10.30am service.

Today

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW) with Alex Coppock, architect
12-3pm	Public Consultation – Church Refurbishment
6pm	Youth Service

During the Week

Tues	9am Morning Prayer
	9.30-11.30am 'Open House' parents and toddlers <i>in the Lounge</i>
	7.30pm St Matts Cats <i>in the church</i>
	7.45pm Alpha Course <i>continues in the Lounge and Ark</i>
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
Thurs	5.30-7pm Choir rehearsal for Christmas <i>in the church</i>

Sunday 27 November

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Morning Worship
10.30am	Prayzone
12.15pm	Winter Night Shelter <i>meeting in the Lounge</i>

Collect

God the Father,
 help us to hear the call of Christ the King
 and to follow in his service,
 whose kingdom has no end;
 for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, one glory. Amen



Christmas

- **Christmas Services** Dates and times of our Christmas services are now on the website and on posters around the building.
- **Christmas Party for Chat @ St Matts** 1 Dec 2.30pm in the Hall
- **Posada** – would you like to host the Posada this year? It is not just for families with children and if you are new to the church family or would simply like to meet some more people, then hosting Posada is a lovely way to get to know new friends. Either sign up or for more information contact Ruth Beckett, 293119 or jrmp@btinternet.com
- Help needed to **deliver** posters to hotels and shops – if you could help please see Pere in the office.
- **Carol singing** in the residential homes – do join us on Mon 19 and/or Wed 21 Dec. See the posters for details and please sign up at the back of church.
- **Anode** As in previous years Anode are collecting to provide hampers of food for Christmas. Collections for this are ongoing but the deadline is 11 December. There is information in the food collection box at the back of church and also about making a donation.
- **Give a painting this Christmas to raise funds for the St Matthias Christmas collection.** Mike Burt has a number of his watercolours for sale. Phone 01803 328229 to arrange for an open house viewing and a cup of coffee. No obligation to buy...just browse and enjoy the coffee!
- **Don't miss out!** The Friends of St Matthias' Christmas Lunch will be held on Sun 11 Dec at the Headland Hotel, Daddyhole Road. Special Christmas Menu with a glass of mulled wine on arrival and a Christmas gift for every guest. See us after the service to book your place! *Rob Newman*

Open Doors event 22 Nov at 7.30pm with speaker from the Middle East - Kings Arms Church, Torquay Academy.

The Barnabas Sports Trust is a local Christian Sports Trust and on Sat 10 Dec they are organising a cross country run around Cockington Park, based at Occombe Farm. They are looking for people to help with both the marshalling

or to be part of the outreach team. For more information speak to Rob Day (326635) or Matt Day (328582).

Autumn Leaves....thank you very much to Sally Hindley and John Hart for sweeping up the leaves...and to any other unknown helpers...

Winter Night Shelter Reminder about a training session on 22 Nov and a meeting here on 27 Nov at 12.15pm for all helpers. Please see either Cliff Adcock or Malcolm and Avril Ford for details.

Cleaners requiredoccasionally... to help clean the centre when our regular cleaners are on holiday. This could be paid if necessary although we are trying to keep down costs where we can. Please see Pere if you would like to help.

Some topics for our prayers this week	
Sun	Pray for Alex Coppock, our Architect, as he shares the plans and progress of the re-ordering of our Church.
Mon	Pray for people who do practical things in and around the Church.
Tues	Think of all who influence us. Pray for the teachers in our schools - then pray for those whom they teach.
Wed	Think of families separated by many miles. Thank God for modern technology which is able to minimize the gaps.
Thurs	Pray for the preparations for Christmas, especially for the choir being formed by Barry Dunnage, who have now begun their weekly Thursday night rehearsals. May people see this as a Ministry to the church.
Fri	Pray for our leaders at this time. Pray for Kevin Foster, our member of Parliament. May he have wisdom as he speaks in Parliament on our behalf.
Sat	Pray for the sick and bereaved. May they know God's healing.
Sun	Praise God for, and pray for our staff team, led by the Rector in their ministry, especially at this busy time of year.

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Song

I lift my hands to the coming King

To the great I AM, to You I sing
For You're the One, who reigns within my heart

And I will serve no foreign god, or any other treasure
You are my heart's desire, spirit without measure
Unto Your name, I will bring my sacrifice

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Readings

Colossians 1: 15-20

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn over all creation.

¹⁶ For in him all things were created:
things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities;
all things have been created through him and for him.

¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead,
so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,

²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether things on earth or things in heaven,
by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Matthew 28: 16-20

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'