

Christ, come into our world of darkness,
Light up our lives with your coming.
Fulfil all our longings
with the joy of your birth;
Strengthen our resolve to work
for change in our world
and to share the hope of your birth
that each Advent brings.

Amen

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Saving God,
who walked this earth in Eden and by Galilee,
we praise you for your everlasting love,
enduring patience
and for the greatest gift of all,
the possibility of Salvation
through Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

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Forgive us Lord
where we have failed
to be thankful for all of your blessings.
Forgive us Lord
where we have put our hope
in our wealth rather than in you.
Forgive us Lord
where we haven't shared
what you have given us with others.
Help us to become
grateful and generous people
as we put our hope in you.
In Jesus' name we pray

Amen

Christ, for whom there was no room at the
inn, give courage to all who are homeless,
In your mercy **hear our prayer**

Christ, who fled into Egypt
give comfort to all refugees,
In your mercy **hear our prayer**

Christ, who fasted in the desert,
give relief to all who are starving,
In your mercy **hear our prayer**

Christ, who hung in agony on the cross, give
strength to all who suffer,
In your mercy **hear our prayer**

Lord of the Church
hear our prayer
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever.

Amen

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And I said to the man
who stood at the gate of the year:
"Give me a light that I may tread safely
into the unknown."
And he replied:
"Go out into the darkness and put your hand
into the Hand of God.
That shall be to you better than light and
safer than a known way."
So I went forth, and finding the Hand of
God, trod gladly into the night.

If you have any suggested items for inclusion
in the January Prayer Diary, please pass these to
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Prayer Diary

December 2021



St Bartholomew's
Church

Therefore the Lord himself
will give you a sign.
Behold the virgin shall conceive
and bear a son, and shall call his
name Immanuel.

Isaiah 7:14

This very day in David's town your Saviour was born – Christ the Lord!

Luke 2:11

December 2021

Let us pray

Wed 1st: for **God to call us a new rector.**

Thurs 2nd: for the **homeless** at this time and the charities who help them.

Frid 3rd: for the **refugees and migrants**, particularly those stuck at the border between Poland and Belarus.

Sat 4th: for those worried about the **new Covid variant**; for the vulnerable.

Sun 5th: for the **Persecuted Church** throughout the world.

Mon 6th: for the work of **Open Doors** supporting persecuted Christians.

Tues 7th: for the family and friends of **Ray Wiggins** whose funeral is today.

Wed 8th: for those from our **church community** currently in **hospital or recovering from surgery.**

Thurs 9th: for the **Creations Group** meeting tomorrow.

Frid 10th: for everyone involved in **Messy Church** today.

Sat 11th: for **Lyndsay Waitland** and **Thomas Buckingham** as they are married today.

Sun 12th: for our Ministry Team: **Ian, Dave, Johan and Mary.**

Mon 13th: for **The Brize Singers** preparing for the concert in church tomorrow.

Tues 14th: for the **School children** meeting for their carol service in church today

Wed 15th: for everyone living on **Dale Walk** in Ducklington.

Thurs 16th: for those we know who suffer with **cancer and cancer treatment.**

Frid 17th: for **families and young people** as the school holidays begin.

Sat 18th: for our **church community** during this period of vacancy.

Sun 19th: for our **Carol Service** this evening.

Mon 20th: for **families dealing with dementia** especially at this time.

Tues 21st: for our **Emergency Services.**

Wed 22nd: for everyone living on **Moors Close** in Ducklington.

Thurs 23rd: for the **lonely and housebound** at Christmas.

Frid 24th: for everyone attending our **Crib Service** tonight as our Christmas Celebrations begin.

Sat 25th: let us join together in **celebration of Christ's birth!**

Sun 26th: for **church leaders** to show strength and wisdom in these difficult days.

Mon 27th: for **families in crisis** during this holiday period.

Tues 28th: for the work of the **Dorcas Dress Project** lifting people out of poverty and pointing to Christ.

Wed 29th: for everyone living on **Witney Road** in Ducklington.

Thurs 30th: for our Church Wardens, **Gill and Roger.**

Frid 31st: for **ourselves** as we walk into the New Year **with Christ.**

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May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the eagerness of the angels, the determination of the Magi and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

Amen