

## The Anglican Church in the Costa Brava

ST STEPHEN'S, MADREMANYA

**HOLY COMMUNION 12.00AM** 

Sunday 25th November 2018

# Today we celebrate: Christ The King Sunday next before Advent

Opening hymn: 510 Morning has broken Gradual hymn: 498

Majesty, worship his majesty

Offertory hymn: 627

Praise to the holiest in the height

Final hymn: 422

Lead us heavenly Father, lead us

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Pray for The Lusitanian Church (E-P to the Archbishop of Canterbury) Lusitanian Church - (Portugal) The Rt Revd Jorge Pina Cabral

#### DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Pray for the Church of Norway. Give thanks and pray for our fellowship with the French Lutheran and Reformed Churches (Reuilly Common Statement).

### CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

2<sup>nd</sup> December 11.00am
St Marti, Pau Christmas
Carols & Holy Communion
9<sup>th</sup> December 11.00am
St Ampelli, Penedes, Holy
Communion,
Our youth groups meet during this
service.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December 5.00pm Carol Service, Corçá Church.

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 5.00pm Carol Service, Lloret De Mar

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 5.00pm St Ampelli, Penedes Christingle & Eucharist

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December 5.00pm Holy Communion (Shortened) Church House

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am Holy Communion (Shortened) Church House

Sunday 30th December St Stephen's, Madremanya Morning Prayer

There will be no children's groups this Sunday.

#### Warm greetings to you all.

If you are new to the Costa Brava Chaplaincy we would love to meet you. Please come and introduce yourself to the chaplain, licensed minister or wardens. Please join us for a chat and tea/coffee after the service back at Church House in Corçá. We also have a shared lunch today to which you are very welcome. Please don't worry if you haven't got food. There is always plenty!

Anyone who is a communicant member in their own church is welcome to take communion. Gluten free wafers are available If you would like one, please let one of the wardens know before the start of the service if possible. If you wish to receive a blessing, please come up to the altar with a book in your hand.

#### **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.

#### FIRST READING: Revelation 1:4b-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him,

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

#### GOSPEL READING: John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

#### **Fellowship Groups**

These groups are open to all. Please bring along a friend. It is a time for friendly, informal exploration of the scriptures.

6<sup>th</sup> December 3.00pm Caritas Hall, St Roma Church, Lloret De Mar 12<sup>th</sup> December 10.30 Tim Raine's House

#### Coffee & Chat

A time for a catch-up and to invite friends along to meet members of the chaplaincy with no strings attached! All welcome.

28<sup>th</sup> November

10.30am Girbal Cafe, Calonge

13<sup>th</sup> December

4.00pm Café N Crunch Lloret De Mar

Please check the website calendar for locations and times or speak to Rachel or Sharon for further information.

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Due to data protection, we cannot always insert telephone numbers and addresses on here. Please feel free to email/WhatsApp Rachel or Sharon for details of events.

#### **NOTICES**

#### The Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who cooked, donated items or who came and helped out! Special thanks to Sharon & the events committee for all their hard work in organising the fair. We still have some of the items from the Christmas stall left and they will be on sale at Church House after the service and on sale after the carol services.

#### **Bishop Robert's Lent Appeal**

This year's Advent Appeal is to enable St. Andrew's Moscow to equip their church with a kitchen. "St. Andrew's is committed to the work of reconciliation and the building of trust between peoples. It fulfils this key element of our diocesan strategy in a unique and powerful way. It is not putting it too strongly to say that St. Andrew's Church contributes in a small way to the cause of world peace...." To read more, please look at the website where the full details are posted or the sidespeople have copies from the Bishop.

We are having a retiring collection today after the service (in addition to our normal collection) in order to support this appeal.

#### Supper

December 8<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm If you would like to join Rachel & Tim for chilli-con-carne, please let Rachel know before 29<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Advent Reflection**

Please join Rachel at Church House for a short service of Advent Reflection. A time of quiet and space to reflect. Monday 3rd December, 10th December & 17th December 7.00pm. Come along to one or all of them. All welcome.

#### Concert

The concert cancelled from December has been re-arranged to 16th February. Please save this date.

#### **Home Communion**

If you are unable to make it to church, Rachel is very happy to bring communion to your home. Please get in touch.

We are completely self-funded and if possible, would appreciate a donation towards the ministry in this chaplaincy. Please speak to the wardens.

Visit our website for more information on the Anglican Church in the Costa Brava; for an online version of this notice sheet and for directions to the churches.

www.anglicancb.org

