St Lawrence's Church www.stlawrencedenton.org.uk Notices for the week starting 16th December 2012

At Greswell Primary School

Monday	Greswell Christmas Assembly	9:10 am
	Beer and Carols at the Lowes Arms	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Greswell Christmas Assembly	10:10 am
	Christmas Communion	2:00 pm
	~ St Lawrence Lodge	
	Advent Meditation ~ Christ Church Denton	8:00 pm
Wednesday	Christmas Communion ~ Pendle House	2:00 pm
Thursday	Mid Week Holy Communion ~ Pendle	9:00 am
	House	
Next Sunday 23rd December	Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Nativity Service	10:45 am
	A family service exploring the Christmas	
	story – with a part for every child	
	Carol Service	6:30 pm
	A celebration of the story of Christmas	-
Monday 24 th	Christingle Service	4:30 pm
	A service for everyone to share in the joy	
	of Christmas with the distribution of	
	Christingles to take home as part of your	
	family's celebrations	
Tuesday 25 th	Family Celebration & Communion Service	10:15 am
	A service for all the family to celebrate	
	Christmas Day with Holy Communion	

Holy Communion Third Sunday of Advent

99 Christ is the King

Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-end

506 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

Reading: Luke 1:25-36

463 Lord Jesus Christ (During this hymn a collection will be taken)

811 What a friend we have in Jesus

5 Abba Father

437 Lift high the cross (odd numbered verses)

Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ

Intercessions Response

Remember us in your love O Lord

We put our trust in you

Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;

kindle in us the fire of your Spirit

that when your Christ comes again

we may shine as lights before his face;

who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

Amen

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- © Renovation Fund Many Thanks for all your efforts
 - o Pink Envelopes for 9th December £55.83.
- ② Advent devotional evening You can still join us for the remaining evening at Christ Church Denton on Tuesday evening 18th December at 8.00pm finishing by 9:00 pm. It will take the form of Compline (Night Prayer) with meditation on the theme of the John the Baptist.
- © Carol Singing at Tameside Hospital on Christmas Eve meet at the Hartshead South Reception at 6:15pm. Share the joy of our Saviour's birth with those who will be in hospital during Christmas. Seasonal refreshments will be provided in the restaurant afterwards

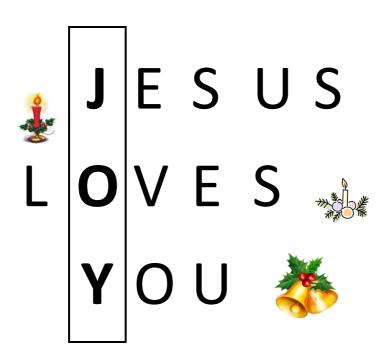
Reordering Update

- Tenders for Phase Two are due in Wednesday 19th
 December
- We have Council and Diocesan permission to remove the ash tree in the stone circle. We are open to suggestions about a replacement tree or bush
- Please pray about the grants we have applied for

Stop Press: A total of **£3,000** received this week from Oldham Trust (thanks to Elsie Ashworth for telling us of this one) and All Churches Trust. Little by little and large (!) the money continues to come in.

Still outstanding are Heritage Lottery Fund and the Manchester Evening News Wish 12, but we won't be hearing from either of these until well into January at the earliest.

Grateful thanks to the Grants Committee for their hard work.





May you find HOPE, PEACE, JOY and LOVE this ADVENT season as you prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas