

# L-L WEEKLY

The Weekly Pewsheets of the Leith-Lyvennet Parishes

## Christingle Services

Morland: 3pm on Sunday 13 December; Crosby Ravensworth: 1pm on Thursday 17 December;

## Weekend Away

Our Weekend Away will be at Rydal Hall from 12-14 February 2016. Cost £155 per adult. Family rates available - inquire with Stewart or Sandy. Book via Sandy Pearl, 01931 714564, before the end of November.

## Advent Giving

Advent is traditionally a time of giving. If you would like to give regularly to church or review your existing giving, please get in touch with your parish treasurer: Jenny Jones (Morland) 01931 714338; Margaret Burne (Cliburn) 01931 714218; David Graham (Crosby) 01931 715348; Alison Hall (Thrimby) 01931 716534; Andrea Thompson (Bolton) 07971 921571; Ian Tupling (Great Strickland) 01931 712571.

## Advent Giving

Catherine Pearce, daughter of Winifred, late of Morland, is collecting footwear to ship to Kos where Winifred's granddaughter, Anna is volunteering to help the refugees. She needs walking boots, trainers or stout men's shoes sizes 40-47. E-mail: cathpearce1240@gmail.com



## About Today...

Advent marks the start of the Church's year. It is a season of expectation and preparation, as we anticipate the the coming (adventus) of Christ in his birth, and also look ahead to his final coming as judge and king at the end of time. The readings and liturgies not only direct us towards Christ's birth, they also challenge the modern reluctance to confront the theme of divine judgement:

"Every eye shall now behold him robed in dreadful majesty" (Charles Wesley)

Advent meditation encourages a longing for justice and the restoration of God's creation according to his intended good purposes. Accordingly, Advent is a season of penitence (symbolised by the colour purple), but its essential character is anticipation and longing. Christians are encouraged to maintain a sense of alert watchfulness and the fundamental Advent prayer is 'Maranatha' - 'Our Lord, come' (1 Corinthians 16.22). Advent falls at the darkest time of the year, and the symbols of darkness and light are powerfully at work through the lighting of the candles on the Advent wreath, which also heightens our anticipation of Christ's coming.

## Did you know...

The lighting of candles on an Advent wreath was imported into Britain from northern Europe in the nineteenth century.



## For your prayers

- The people of Paris, Mali and Brussels following the recent terrorist attacks.
- Those in parliament taking difficult decisions about war.
- Those caught up in war and conflict throughout the world and those fleeing conflict.
- The Alpha Course - those attending and those leading it.
- All in need as Christmas approaches.
- Our Archdeaconry Mission & Pastoral Committee meeting on Thursday.

From our calendar of prayer:

- In the Anglican Communion: Diocese of West Malaysia (Province of South East Asia), Bishop Ng Moon Hing, and two Assistants, Bishop Charles Samuel, and Bishop Jason Selvaraj, clergy and people.
- This month we pray for Windermere Deanery: Benefice of Windermere (Applethwaite) & Troutbeck. Windermere, St Mary. Vicar: David Wilmot; Reader: Christopher Bradbury; LLMs: Leonard Lambert, Thea Ford, Ian Durrell.
- Bishop James, Confirmation at St Paul's Seaton, 6.00. Bishop Robert, Confirmation at Barrow St Paul, 10.00, and at Heversham, 6.30.

## Gospel Train

We'll be singing this song at this Morning's Family Service

The Gospel Train's a-comin'  
I hear it just at hand  
I hear the car wheels rumblin'  
And rollin' through the land.

*Get on board, little children,  
Get on board, little children,  
Get on board, little children,  
There's room for many a more.*  
(Repeat)



I hear the train's a-comin'  
She's comin' round the curve  
She's loosened all her steam and brakes  
And strainin' every nerve

*Get on board, little children...*

The fare is cheap and all can go  
The rich and poor are there  
No second class aboard this train  
No difference in the fare

*Get on board, little children...*

## Word Search

### Are You Ready?

"Stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Luke 21:28 (NIV)  
Based on Luke 21:25-36



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SIGNS	WATCH	WORLD	CAREFUL	PRAY