

Xpressions Meeting 20.11.07

Format for December 2nd:

10.10 – 11.00am	Advent chain calendars Edible crib scene Large advent ring (older children 9+)
11.00 – 11.10am	Clearing up time!
11.10 ~ 11.30am	Active story (bridesmaids and their lamps) and songs: Sing Hosanna 5 big candles in the advent ring Away in a manger (Sarah Orpet to sign for us)
11.30 – 12.00 noon	Individual candle decorations

Throughout the morning there will be an ongoing craft activity of making decorations for the Xpressions Christmas tree for the Open Church on December 7th in Lodon: Peg Doll Angels, Egg box bells, Card shapes, on a Christmas theme, to be decorated.

We reckoned on catering for around 25 children.

Advent chains: Please will everyone think of things that might be written on the individual strips **and get them to me** to put together on one sheet **for next Friday** at the latest! Relevant bible verses, advent/Christmas jokes, simple activities for the family to do together, simple things for a child to do/think about ...
21 plain strips and 4 shiny ones. Sundays (shiny) are the 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd links!!
Parents and Xpressions team helpers to assist children writing on the strips for their chains.

Alison will buy the paper chain strips

Edible crib scene: Penny will resource this

Alison and Penny will help children make these. They will be done a few at a time ensuring that each child gets the chance to make one.

Large advent ring: Janet will resource this

Xpressions team helpers to assist children where required.

Active story: Chris Barry

Drum and beater to be provided by Alison

Songs: to be played by the band Richard Hull, Alison, Georgina and Penny.

Alison can provide percussion instruments for the children to play in Sing Hosanna.

Individual candle decorations: Alison will resource this

Please can everyone bring 'greenery'. Parents and Xpressions team helpers to assist children.

Christmas tree decorations:

Rowena: doilies for angels, foil for egg box bells, card shapes, glitter glue (in Xpressions cupboard?)

Alison: sparkly string, sparkly bits, baby wipes, cotton wool (from Xpressions cupboard), eggboxes

Penny: Holiday club pens? Do you know where the new felt pens we bought for holiday club are?!

In Chedgrave cupboards: glue, wool, pegs

Team available on the day:

Sheila, Pat, Alison, Penny, Rowena (after Sisland service), Chris, Richard H, Nigel(?) Janet (a bit, but is co-ordinating Xpresso that day)

Younger helpers possibly around:

Hannah Fryer, Rebecca Pottage, Rebecca's older sister

On the day, there will be an informal communion service at 9am for members of all 3 teams in the church who wish to attend. After the service there will be a pot luck lunch for those who wish to stay where we can reflect on how week one went!

Commissioning service Holy Trinity this Sunday (November 25th)

The 3 teams are to be commissioned by the Archdeacon. It would be lovely if we could all get there. There is to be lunch in St John's afterwards – bring and share.

PLANNING DATE FOR EPIPHANY CAFÉ CHURCH: Tuesday 11th December
7.45pm at 11 Langley Road

Training:

Godly Play 8th December, starting with coffee at 10.15am, Chedgrave Church Centre
Alison, Richard B, Penny, Nigel, Shirleyanne, Rowena

Bring and Share lunch please!

Wilderness Weeks 26th January 2008

Penny
Alison

Messy Church – not booked yet - 15th March, 2.15 - 5.15pm

Janet W, Rowena, Penny, Alison, Nigel, Richard H, Rachel H, Marian?