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Date	Leader	Coffee	Crèche	Welcome	Chairs	Communion
11 Dec	Sunday Club	Liz West Nigel West	Sarah Lay, Cherry Owen	Jennifer Brown	Kevin Brown	Iain Hemington
18 Dec	Simon Duan	Angela Gardiner, Glenda Newholm	Lianne Krynauw, Christiane Tyler	Maureen Lewis	David Owen	Ivan & Lianné Krynauw
25 Dec	Simon Duan	Glenda Scott, Amy Davis	Sarah Thomas, Hannah Edmett	Jill Drake	Zoë Jones	Maureen Lewis
1 Jan	Simon Duan	N/A	tba	Jennifer Brown	Margaret Lewis	n/a
8 Dec	Simon Duan	tba	tba	Pauline Knight	Kevin Brown	tba

If you need something in VW or set up for the Sunday Service please make sure it is with the administrator by 9:00am Thursday.

Please send prayer chain requests to the administrator.

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Office hours: 10.00am- 1.00pm. Monday, Tuesday, Friday,

Wednesday, Thursday closed.

Closed week from 26 December



11 December 2011

***This Sunday 10:30 Nativity.
Starring Sunday Club.***

What's on at VEC this week					
for details see www.vec.org.uk/diary.htm					
Sun	10:30-12:00	Nativity Service	Tue	19:30-21:00	Ladies Bible Study
	11:00-12:00	RIPz in upper lounge		19:45-21:00	MoT Bible Study
	13:00-17:00	CONTACT		20:00-22:00	Embark
	18:30-20:30	Soul Purpose at VBC	Wed		
19:45-21:00	MoSEs	Thur		10:00-12:00	German Café Kaffeeklatsch
Mon	10:00-12:00		Day Time Group	Fri	19:30-22:30
	20:30-21:30	Football at Hollybush	20:00-22:00		Y Cell

***Next Sunday. 10:30 'Finding the Perfect Gift'.
Speaker Simon Duan.
6:00 Carols by Candlelight.***

If you are concerned with a restless child, please feel free to use the **Bawl Room**, where they can calm down while you see, hear and enjoy the service. Children leave during the service for:

**Crèche: for children under 3 years,
Sunday Club: for children from 3 to 10 years,
Ripz: for those aged 11 to 13 years.**

"Change always brings fear before it brings faith. We always assume the worst before we look for the best. God interrupts our lives with something we've never seen, and rather than praise, we panic! We interpret the presence of a problem as the absence of God and scoot! Good thing that the shepherds lingered when they were frightened, otherwise they might have missed the second verse – today a saviour was born."

VEC NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

This Sunday: 10-30am Nativity service starring Sunday Club. Thank you to Alistair and Sue Mitchell and the Sunday Club team for their hard work to retell the amazing story of Christmas to us.

Next Sunday: 10.30am 'Finding the perfect gift', speaker Simon Duan. 6.00pm 'Carols by Candlelight', followed by refreshments.

The Carols by candlelight service next week is a time designed to invite contacts too. One-quarter of Britons expect to attend a church service over the Christmas period this year, according to a YouGov poll on Christmas commissioned by *The Sun* newspaper. They will not come unless you invite them!

End of year letter: Hopefully you will be aware of the plans for the start of the year and some of the distinctive things we have decided upon. If you are unsure of any of the details or why the leaders are doing this please see one of them. We would encourage you all to be praying and looking forward to all God will be doing as we start 2012 focusing on the person of Jesus.

Hearing from God: You should all have received some information from the leaders on 'Hearing from God'. If not please ask Guy Knight for a copy.

Mothers and others Christmas party went well with more new Mums coming along. A big thank you to the team who have served faithfully this year, in particular Jane Firth, Maxine Williams, Connie West and Jean Grimsell.

Stamps: Please can you save your used postage stamps for a Christian charity and pass them on to Laura Hagley when you have an envelope full.

Dave, Liz and Aaron Garrett would like to thank everyone for their love and generosity whether offering a lift to the airport, left over Pesos or very dodgy Filipino shirts! We leave with more gifts for Simeon than clothes for ourselves. Pray for all four of them that God will encourage, protect and shape them all while they are away.

Sue Baldwin leaves to visit James Baldwin (another one of the churches commended workers) next week. Please pray for Sue and the family as they spend time together. For Christina to give birth while Sue is in America would be fantastic.

Bible notes: On the table at the back of the church there are a selection of daily notes. Many people like to use these as they spend time with God each day. These are for everyone to look at to either see what else is available or to try them for the first time. The prices are on the back; please leave the payment in the basket.

Newsletters: The latest from Simeon and SAYT are in the racks in the foyer.

Spring House: Thank you to all those who have bought presents. They will be delivered this week.

PRAYER AND PRAISE POINTS:

Pray for:

David Tyler who had his long awaited operation on his hip last week. He was found to have a lot of infection in the hip and will be in hospital for a few more days as he receives treatment. Later when the infection has gone he will have a new replacement hip. *Please pray for the pain to ease and patience when he returns home.*

Geoffrey is in the Sunrise Care Home. Visitors are welcome any time but try to avoid mealtimes. *Please pray for Geoffrey to know God's presence with him and also pray for Anita and her carer.*

Ken Lyford as he recovers from his operation and for Glenda who cares for him and Diane. Ken is waiting for a bone scan at the moment. *Please pray that Ken will feel more comfortable and for the whole family to feel loved by their heavenly Father.*

Brian and Jean: For Jean as she continues to recover and for Brian as he cares for her. Praise *God that they are able to get out a bit more now.*

Max and Sue as Max continues his physiotherapy. Pray for energy for Max as the physio is exhausting. Praise God for the support they receive from Rachel the carer and others. *Praise God for their home which will be such a blessing to them and to others.*

Our commended workers: *James and Christina Baldwin, Simeon Garrett, Graham and Steph Reed and Roger and Yvonne Malstead.*

Many of our church family are travelling over the Christmas and New Year Holiday. Jana is going to meet up with Natasha in New Zealand, Chris and Sally are going to South Africa, Sue Baldwin is visiting James and Christina in the USA and the Garrett family have already arrived in the Philippines. Many others will be travelling within the UK, visiting family and friends.

Holiday club: This is 13-17 February 2012. *Pray for helpers and for the children who will be coming.* If you are interested in helping please see Alistair or Sue Mitchell.

Simon with Charlotte from SAYT are taking assemblies in Knole Academy Christmas assemblies on Thursday December 15. *Please pray for this opportunity.*

The 'Advent' DVD that has been given out to all the older children in the schools that the History Troupe work in.