

Sunday 24th December

Duty deacon: Jon Stammers.

10:30am – Family service led by Jon & Deb Stammers.

There will be no Sunday schools this week, but the crèche room is available (from the rear hall, through the double doors in front of you) if you need it for young children. After the service, please join us for tea and coffee in the hall.

Christmas Day

Duty deacon: Owen Lloyd-Evans.

10:30am – **Jesus the Light of the World.**

Come and join us in a family service of celebration of our Saviour's birth. The service is likely to have an international flavour and will include a time when children are invited to show a present that they have received. The offering will be split between Bangor And District Women's Aid and Refugee Relief Ynys Môn.

Sunday 31st December

Duty deacon: Neil Rymer.

10:30am – Communion service. Speaker: Freddy Farias-Palacios.

During this service, we will celebrate communion together. We invite all our visitors, from any denominational background, to share the bread and wine with us. There are rice crackers on the plate for those who suffer from wheat allergies etc. and the wine is non-alcoholic.

Please remember that there are no evening services on any of these days!

Prayer and Care: After every Sunday service there will be 2 people with badges in the Prayer and Care corner, under the balcony, ready to pray with you in confidence for any issue. There is also a prayer room, available for you to use for quiet prayer before and after every service.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 18 Dec	10:30am	Church walk (mystery tour) starting from the Llanberis Pass.
Saturdays	8:30am	Prayer meeting in the Twrgwyn Room.
Wednesday 3 Jan	10:30am	Men's prayer meeting followed by coffee.

Please note that the church office will be closed from Thursday 21st December and will re-open on Tuesday 2nd January.

Sunday 7th January 2018

10:30am

Speaker: Freddy Farias-Palacios.

After the service will be church lunch. Please bring enough buffet-style food for yourself and one or two others.

2:45pm – A team from Penrallt will be leading a short service at the Plas Garnedd residential home in Llanberis. Please speak to Joan Beer or Lawrence Moss if you would like to join them.

6:00pm – Communion Service.

Speaker: Freddy Farias-Palacios.

Note: at the time of going to press, details of Freddy's sermons were not available. Please check the services page on the church website (www.penrallt.org/services/index.php) as this will be updated as soon as possible.

The Minister: The results of Freddy's biopsy show low level pre-cancerous cells on the kidney so he has been booked in to have an operation on 9th January. He will complete the pre-ops next Tuesday and then the family will be coming back to the Manse and to Penrallt until the 8th. We look forward to hearing him preach again, and pray for the operation and for his speedy recovery afterwards.

Advance Notice: Do keep Saturday 27th January free for a fascinating and exciting tour. "Walk Through The Bible" is coming to Penrallt, 10am–4:30pm. Tickets will be on sale in January. More details later. (See <http://www.bible.org.uk> for details but note that it will be slightly cheaper to purchase tickets through Penrallt than online).

Church meeting: Freddy will be returning to London on 8th January for his operation so we have decided to postpone the church meeting originally planned for that evening till the first Monday in February, Feb 5th. Papers will be circulated nearer the date.

Christmas Cards: Instead of sending individual cards to the rest of the Penrallt fellowship (and risking missing someone!), please consider sending just one card to the entire church and giving the money saved to BMS World Mission. There is a board in the hall for your cards, with an envelope for donations.

Prayer Diary: If you have a prayer request, something to give thanks for or something you feel God is saying that you would like to share via our electronic prayer diary on Monday morning, please fill in a prayer card (found in the church porch) and drop it in the wooden box in the porch or send an email to office@penrallt.org (After 18th December, the next prayer diary will be on Tuesday 2nd January).

Used Stamps for Baptist Missionary Society: BMS World Mission can raise funds from the sale of used postage stamps (as well as coins, medals, & other collectibles). PLEASE trim stamps leaving about a ¼ inch border. Packets of stamps may be left in the church office clearly marked "Stamps for BMS".

January newsletter: *Please note that the January newsletter is due to appear slightly later than usual. It should be online from early January and printed copies will be available from Sunday 7th January.*