

News Sheet for Sunday 19 November 2nd Sunday before Advent

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Welcome in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our worship today. It is a great joy to have you with us as we worship God together.

Today there will be four services in our Parish 8.00 am BCP Communion at All Saints

10.00 am Parish Eucharist at All Saints

10.00 am Café Church at P&J.11.30 am Family Worship at P&J

Do join us for these!

I firmly believe that when God calls us to do things for him, he also provides us with all that we need to carry out the task, including the right people to undertake particular work for him.

In the very near future, we will need to appoint people to some key voluntary roles in the life of our parish. Specifically...

A Church warden (preferably representing P&J)

A Halls manager (To liaise with Hall Users)

A treasurer

A chair of the Finance team

A Co -editor of the magazine

I have to believe that God is calling people from our congregations to fulfil these roles and that they have just not come forward yet. Could you all please pray about this, and if you feel you are the one God is calling, or think you know who it might be, please speak to me or one of the ministry team, we would be delighted to hear from you. God bless you all,

Mark

THIS WEEK

The Coffee Bar is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10.00am-12.00pm

Sunday 19 Nov – ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Ss PHILIP & JAMES: 10.00am Café Church

11.30am Family Worship

Tuesday 21 Nov 11.00am Prayer Group, Ss Philip & James Church

Wednesday 22 Nov 9.30am Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church

10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

10.30am Baby Saints, FPCC

Friday 24 Nov 10.00am-12.00pm Dribbles and Giggles FPCC

Saturday 25 Nov 10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

Sunday 26 Nov – ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 10.00am Contemporary Morning Worship

Ss PHILIP & JAMES: 10.00am Parish Eucharist

12.00pm Baptism of Amelia Skerry

Ss Philip & James Church is open for prayer Wednesdays 11.00am-1.30pm & Sundays 12noon-3.00pm.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30

PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER

TODAY'S COLLECT: Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Those in urgent need of our prayers including: Jack, Barbara Willis, Zoe, Jean Belgrove, Xander Coleman-Day, Carol Paton, Tyler Thompson, Phillip, Garth and Judy Kellett, Diana, Alan Brown.

Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers:

Anne Marie Hudson, Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Melanie Brant, Marion Brown, Chris, Yvonne Dunk, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, Michael Heard, Giorgia Laughton, Bonnie Lewis, Sheila O'Connor, Gill Page, Peter Rogers, Michael Standen, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Clare and family, Jean Harris, Dewey and family, John Simson.

Those who have died recently: Nicola Newman, Barbara Drake, Valerie MacDonald, Molly Wilson.

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time: Ida Matthews, Mary Poulter, Tonka Bilish, John More, Robert Hurst, Lucy Winckler, Wilfred Sedden, Jack Coe, Joan Judge, Euphemia Hadley, Sydney Baker, Doris Bicknell, James Leach, Louise Rogers, Helen Girling, Doris Bicknell, Norah Cole.

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 20 NOVEMBER

Meditation: - "Love comes out of God and gathers us to God in order to pour itself back into God through all of us and bring us all back to Him on the tide of His own infinite mercy. So we all become doors and windows through which God shines back into His own house." —Thomas Merton, "New seeds of contemplation"

We give thanks for... Those who have inspired us in our life of prayer.

Please pray....

Mon - For our PCC meeting today

Tues - For those serving in aid and medical teams in warzones and places of disaster.

Wed - For the diocesan clergy study day taking place today.

Thur - For those who work in banking and financial services

Fri - For victims of natural disaster.

Sat - For tyrants and unjust rulers, that their hearts and minds might be turned by the Holy Spirit to justice, peace and penitence.

Sun - (Christ the Universal King) For the unity of all nations and peoples under inclusive rule of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL WEEK - For those who live in Beveren Close, Birch Avenue, Blackthorns, Bluebell Walk, Bramblewood Place, Bramshot Drive.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Please note that items with headlines underlined are new or updated this week.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS - 10am-12pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER 2-3.30PM AT FPCC - You are warmly invited to the new launch of afternoon tea. No need to sign up, just come along. Many thanks to the new team of volunteer helpers.

<u>CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL</u> - Christmas Tree Festival sign-up sheets are now on the notice boards in both churches. You will also find boxes for donations to our Tombola and Champagne Raffle.

<u>CHRISTIAN AID CAROLS</u> – Prose and Poetry will be on 3rd December at 3pm at All Saints Church, tea and coffee after in FPCC.

<u>LIVINGSTONES</u> – Are in need of help for the future of the shop please visit the website for information on how you can help <u>www.livingstones.org.uk</u> or pop in to talk to someone.

QUIET DAY: SAT 17 FEBRUARY 2024 AT LADYWELL CONVENT, GODALMING - 'Meeting Jesus in the Wilderness'. £25 to include lunch and refreshments through the day. Sign up sheets at both churches or contact parish office. More details from Jane Jones.

<u>MOLLY WILSON</u> – Those who knew Molly who lived in Castle Street, her funeral will be on the first week of December. Anyone who would like to attend the funeral please ask Kate Wickenden for details of contacting the family so that they know numbers.

HART VOICES CHRISTMAS CONCERT – Hart Voices is absolutely delighted to be returning to All Saints Church this year to present its Christmas Concert on Saturday 2nd December 2023 at 7.30pm. Tickets: £18 (Under 16: £5). Ticket price includes refreshments, mince pies & a complimentary programme. On sale now at: www.hartvoices.org.uk/christmas-concert

FLEET ORCHESTRA CONCERT - Wednesday 13 December 8pm at SS Philip & James with retiring collection for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice.

WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP - Monday 11 December, 2.30pm-5.30pm, Fleet Parish Community Centre. Price to be confirmed. For more details or to request a place please contact Ruth Waller, 01252 614 846.

CHRISTMAS CARDS – Christmas cards are now on sale in aid of All Saints fund from the coffee bar at FPCC.

BABY SAINTS - We're meeting every Wednesday morning at FPCC, 10.30 - 11.30am. If you have or care for preschool children we'd love to see you.

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER NEED YOUR HELP - A Walk Through Nativity at Christmas Festivities on Wednesday 22nd November we are needing help with the tents and the craft.

Our item will be running from 4-7pm, and well before that we require to have the tents erected and scenery prepared, and during the event to have help on the craft tables for each of the 3 hours, and then help with dismantling the scenery and tents later.

If you can help with the erection of the tents and scenery from 11am or help with the dismantling from about 7.30pm then please contact Paul at paul.einchcomb@ntlworld.com

If you can help with the craft for one of the hour slots - 4-5pm, 5-6pm, 6-7pm, then please get in touch with Ros at ros@fleetbaptist.org.uk

CHARITY QUIZ FLEET METHODIST CHURCH - is running another fun quiz on Saturday 18th November to raise money for this year's charity which is Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF).

Arrive at 7pm for a 7:15 start. Teams of up to 6 or just come along and we will fit you into a team. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. We will provide a hot drink and biscuits later in the evening. the cost is just £5 per person and all money will go to MAF. Our quizmaster will be Mike Gardner, who used to run the monthly quizzes at Fleet football Club, so you can be sure of an evening with lots of laughter.

You can find out more about MAF here: https://www.maf-uk.org/

PHYLLIS TUCKWELL HOME SUPPORT -_Local hospice care charity Phyllis Tuckwell is looking for more volunteers to join its Home Support team. To sign up or find out more, please call 01252 729400, email voluntary.services@pth.org.uk or visit http://www.pth.org.uk/get-in-touch-volunteering where you can fill in an online form.

STEP BY STEP – Donations box in the narthex at P&J and in FPCC. Donations of the following items welcome: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower gel/cream, soap, shampoo/conditioner. No bath products please. Thank you.

<u>HART FOODBANK DONATIONS</u> - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for tinned tomatoes, custard – tinned, rice pudding – tinned, juice, pasta sauces, tinned pulses, mashed potato – packets, coffee, tinned potatoes, milk. Items can be left in the Foodbank containers in the narthex at Ss Philip & James Church and in FPCC. Thank you for the egg trays, we have plenty for now.

STAMPS – Please keep dropping off your used stamps into FPCC you will find a bag on the notice board.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL CRAFTS - On Dec 8, 9 and 10, P&J will be holding our CTF. It would be nice to have some handmade craft items to sell. Any craft items would be very welcome. If you have anything you would like to contribute, please let me have them, (priced, if possible) before the 8 Dec. Sue Butterfield 07876640452

ANGEL BOMBING SERVICE - This will be at All Saints Church on 26 November at 4pm with refreshments afterwards. Please come along if you can, it will be lovely to host the service in our beautifully restored church. If you would like to knit some angels (the pattern is very easy, and I have knitting and crochet patterns), they would be so appreciated. We want to bless the people of Fleet with as many gorgeous angels as possible. Sue Butterfield 07876640452

GIVING OPTION - You can now donate to parish funds by scanning this QR code with any smart phone with a QR reader on it - it takes you directly to a web page where you can make your donation.



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