



Parish of Fleet
All Saints
St Philip & St James

News Sheet for Sunday 7 January Epiphany

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. May we wish you and all you love a very happy and joyful New Year.

Today we celebrate together the feast of the Epiphany, when we remember the visit of the wise men to the infant Jesus, but at the same time, give thanks that Jesus is the gift of God to the whole world – to all people everywhere for all time.

As a New Year begins for our parish, I would like us to focus this year on our core task, which is to make Jesus known to all people. Church life can be about a lot of other things, but our primary purpose is to make Jesus known and to bring people into fellowship with him. Our Parish Mission Statement is 'Welcoming all in our community into the love of Christ' – lets begin this new year with a rededication to that one goal.

Today there are three services in our parish:

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at P&J

10.00am Celtic Morning Worship at P&J

10.00am Parish Eucharist at All Saints

Do please join us for worship.

God bless you all,

Mark

THIS WEEK

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

Sunday 7 Jan	ALL SAINTS CHURCH:	10.00am Parish Eucharist with Godly Play
	Ss PHILIP & JAMES:	8.00am BCP Holy Communion
		10.00am Celtic Morning Worship
Tuesday 9 Jan		11.00am Prayer Group, Ss Philip & James Church
Wednesday 10 Jan		9.30am Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church
		10.0am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors
		10.30am Baby Saints, FPCC
Saturday 13 Jan		10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors
Sunday 14 Jan	ALL SAINTS CHURCH:	10.00am Café Church
		6.30pm Choral Evensong
	Ss PHILIP & JAMES:	10.00am Parish Eucharist

Ss Philip & James Church is open for prayer

Wednesdays 11.00am-1.30pm & Sundays 12noon-3.00pm.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 7 JANUARY

[Isaiah 60:1-6](#)

[Ephesians 3:1-12](#)

[Matthew 2:1-12](#)

PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 7 JANUARY

TODAY'S COLLECT: Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Those in urgent need of our prayers including: Jack, Barbara Willis, Zoe, Jean Belgrove, Xander Coleman-Day, Marcia Farrey, 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, Leo Goodson, 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: Michael Riches

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Alice Loader, Gladys Neville, Dorothy Mander, Vic Makepeace, Peggy Clarke, Pearl Draper, Patricia Baker, d'Arcy Mander, Barbara Grimshaw, John Gulliver, Kenneth Lloyd, William Beale, Peter Parkes, Nicholas Davies.

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 8 JANUARY

Meditation: - 'We live in a world of outrageous pain. The only response to outrageous pain is outrageous love' - Marc Gafni.

We give thanks for... our unique and precious place in God's plan for the world.

Please pray....

- Mon** - for kindness, openness, truthfulness and compassion in public life and in all our dealings with one another.
- Tues** - refugees and those who care for them.
- Wed** - those who work in public transport.
- Thur** - those who clean our buildings or tend our gardens.
- Fri** - for those who suffer from back or neck pain.
- Sat** - for the people of Japan, following recent earthquakes and their aftermath.
- Sun** - that our whole church community might hear the call of Christ to serve him in our Church, community and world.

ALL WEEK - for those who live in Copse Close, Copse End, Copse Lane, Corringway, Court Drive, Courtmore Ave.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS - The Parish Office will be open 10am-12pm Monday to Friday.

BABY SAINTS - Will resume meeting every Wednesday morning at FPCC, 10.30 - 11.30am this Wednesday 10 January 2024. If you have or care for preschool children we'd love to see you.

QUIET DAY - LAST WEEK TO SIGN UP! - Sat 17 February 2024 at Ladywell Convent, Godalming - 'Meeting Jesus in the Wilderness'. £25 to include lunch and refreshments through the day. Please sign up soon; list closes on 15 January. If signed up already, do pay at the parish office, thank you. More details from Jane Jones.

CONCERT ON SUNDAY 21 JANUARY 2024 AT SS P & J CHURCH AT 3PM - Quintessentially Wind and Hart of Brass will play an hour of light music followed by tea and cake. Tickets £10 from anne.smith33@btinternet.com or 01252 624171. Proceeds to Parish Funds.

COME AND SING "MIKADO" SAT 3 FEB 2024 at P & J CHURCH - 1pm rehearsal, 3.30 pm informal performance, over by 6 pm. Book your place to sing in the chorus for £10 plus £1 score hire from Anne Smith, details above. Proceeds to Parish funds.

HART FOODBANK DONATIONS - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for milk (long-life), juice (cartons), jams/preserves, sponge puddings, veg (tinned), fruit (tinned), pasta sauce, meat (tinned - not hot dogs please), tinned/carton custard, shampoo. Items can be left in the Foodbank containers in the narthex at Ss Philip & James Church and in FPCC. Thank you, as always, for your donations to the foodbank, they are all very much appreciated.

HART FOODBANK MANAGER VACANCY - For further details of the position and an application form please contact Mark Mabin (Chairman) 07534 038457 or email mark.mabin@hartfoodbank.org.uk Closing Date for applications is Friday 12 January 2024 and Interviews : W/C Monday 15 January 2024.

PRINTER CARTRIDGES FOR RECYCLING - The Parish is trialling a scheme to raise funds and help the environment by sending used printer cartridge for recycling. Collection box at FPCC for you to deposit your empty cartridges. It is hoped to have a similar box at P&J later in the year. In the meantime please leave your empty cartridges in the Step by Step box. Unfortunately we can only take branded cartridges such as Hewlett-Packard. If you have any queries please contact Linda Dart.

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

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.

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

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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