



## News Sheet for Sunday 3 December 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:

**8.00am BCP Holy Communion at P&J**

**10.00am Parish Eucharist at All Saints**

**10.00am Celtic Morning Prayer at P&J**

**3.00pm Christian Aid Carols at All Saints**

Do join us for these!

God bless you all,

Mark

### THIS WEEK

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

<b>Sunday 3 Dec – ALL SAINTS CHURCH:</b>	10.00am Parish Eucharist 3.00pm Christian Aid Carols followed by tea/coffee after in FPCC
<b>Ss PHILIP &amp; JAMES:</b>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 10.00am Celtic Morning Worship
<b>Tuesday 5 Dec</b>	11.00am Prayer Group, Ss Philip & James Church
<b>Wednesday 6 Dec</b>	9.30am Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church 10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors 10.30am Baby Saints, FPCC
<b>Friday 8 Dec</b>	10.00am-12.00pm Dribbles and Giggles FPCC 4.00pm-7.00pm Christmas Tree Festival, Ss Philip & James Church
<b>Saturday 9 Dec</b>	10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors 10.00am-6.00pm Christmas Tree Festival, Ss Philip & James Church
<b>Sunday 10 Dec ALL SAINTS CHURCH:</b>	10.00am Morning Worship
<b>Ss PHILIP &amp; JAMES:</b>	10.00am Parish Eucharist 1.30pm-5.00pm Christmas Tree Festival

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

### **READINGS FOR SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER**

[Isaiah 64:1-9](#)

[1 Corinthians 1.3-9](#)

[Mark 13:24-end](#)

### **PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER**

**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:** Pauline Robinson, Olga Carr, Nicola Newman, Valerie MacDonald, Molly Wilson.

**Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time:** Madge Cross, Robert Moon, Mabel Goddard, George Shuttler, Patricia Aldridge, Philip Sibley, Robert Lewis, John Richardson, George Baker, Pamela Stewart, William Hayes, Ruth Warner

### **PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 4 DECEMBER**

**Meditation:** - "God doesn't want something from us – he simply wants us'. C.S. Lewis "

**We give thanks for...** our life together in the Parish of Fleet.

**Please pray....**

- Mon** - For scouts, guides, cubs, brownies, rainbows, beavers and all who lead them.
- Tues** - For the people of India.
- Wed** - For all who are extra busy or extra stressed as Christmas approaches (S. Nicholas).
- Thur** - For the church and people of Italy (S. Ambrose of Milan).
- Fri** - For our Christmas tree festival.
- Sat** - For those who suffer from sight impairment.
- Sun** - For our newly appointed Archdeacon, Catharine Mabuza, as she prepares for her ministry amongst us.
- ALL WEEK** - For those who live in Woodgate Green, Woodgate, Woodlands, Woodleigh, Woodside Gardens.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

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

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

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL** - 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.

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL RAFFLE TICKETS & SILENT AUCTION** - People can purchase hamper raffle tickets or bid in the silent auction (knitted nativity + stable) in advance if they are unable to attend the weekend. Contact Karen Kite or Parish Office.

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

**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](http://www.livingstones.org.uk) 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. 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.

**MOLLY WILSON** – 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](http://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.

**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](mailto: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.

**HART FOODBANK DONATIONS** - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for sponge puddings, cleaning sprays/bottles/Cif etc. washing detergent (preferably bottles instead of powders), washing up liquid, pasta sauces, tinned potatoes, rice - packets - not boil in bag, juice/squash, pasta sauce (packets please), long life milk/Cif etc. 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

**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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