

St Peter's Church, Wrecclesham - Weekly News Sheet for 6th February 2022

Accession Day: The Queen's Platinum Jubilee &
Fourth Sunday before Lent - Communion for All Ages
Out of our depth?....

Isaiah 6.1-8,(9-13); Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11; **Luke 5.1-11**

Hymns: Introduction: I the Lord of sea and sky/Christ has no body but yours – First Hymn: I will sing the wondrous story (330) – Second Hymn: From heav'n you came (175) – Offertory Hymn: Lord Jesus Christ you have come to us (408) Communion: Be still my soul (61); Father hear the prayer we offer (141) – Final Hymn: Praise my soul the king of heaven (550) – End Music: Parry: I was glad

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday before Lent

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAM SERVICE - <https://cofewrecclesham.org.uk/streamed-services/>

Please click on the link from ten minutes beforehand and there will be the livestream link to take you to the service

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS – PLEASE NOTE:

RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED – face coverings will not be compulsory, but a personal preference – we will keep the north aisle available for those who wish to continue to socially distance Being mindful of keeping each other safe – observing personal space – hand sanitising & ventilation will help us keep things as covid-secure as possible

Morning Prayer on Zoom – Wednesdays at 9.30am (20 mins) –

please do give this a try if you can – it's a lovely space to take time to pause during the week...

<https://zoom.us/j/99052560006?pwd=RVROa2J6MGdEcGg3UWVJQTFTc2t4QT09>

Meeting ID: 990 5256 0006 Passcode: 113113

Please contact Jacqueline on vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk or 716431 / 07806 775974 if you have a notice to share – or if you would like to talk about something else – her day off is a Monday....

This week prayers are asked for – Reg Skeet, Peggy Rapley, John Knight, and for Sharon (Dawn's sister), Zoe Perkins – for all who are poorly, especially those succumbing to the local outbreak of the virus. We give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of Sheila Carver and Andrew Jones and all who are recovering and on the mend from illness....

RIP – Priscilla Weldon, Carol Edgoose (Rachel Sturt's mother – funeral will be 8th February)

Please also pray for the life and work of our Church, that we might be part of God's loving and transforming grace here in our place, & in particular please pray in the seeking of a new Treasurer

TREASURER – We are still urgently searching in earnest for our new Treasurer – **Pat has given an amazing ten years' faithful service to St Peter's and to us all in keeping the books and accounts in good order – we really need to help her now by finding a successor for a smooth handover.** PLEASE consider whether this is something you could take on and have a go at – or if you know someone, please do have the conversation – remember the person wouldn't have to be a churchgoer to be able to keep our accounts. Please do be in touch with me or Pat if you would like to know more – with no obligation! ☺ - vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk – 01252 716431

NEW! CHOIR / SINGING GROUP - **Tim and David** would like to ask if there is anyone who would like to be part of a **choir**, particularly for the 2nd and 4th Parish Communion – and/or a group of **informal singers** – for the 1st and 3rd Sundays, i.e. singing one or two new songs before the service for example... **Please see Tim or David** if you are interested to know more – it will be lovely to revive some of our choral tradition and begin something new... ☺

NEW! HYMNS – you can choose! – If you have a hymn that you would particularly like to sing to acknowledge an anniversary or just because you like it, please let Jacqueline know and we can make it happen! ☺

Moira Davies has written a most interesting book – 'Boundstone in the 1960s – this is available for £2 which will be donated to charity.

NEW! PRESENTATION BY MOIRA – **'I will be giving a presentation** on Boundstone in the 1960's to the Wrecclesham History Group on the 9th April in St Peter's Church beginning at about 10.30 am. The visuals will be done by Roy Waight with me doing the commentary. Guests will be welcome. This will be based on the booklet of the same title. Warm wishes, Moira Davies.'

NEW! - Calling all budding article-writers – for the Parish Magazine! – Roger and the team are doing a sterling job keeping the magazine published and delivered – thank you team magazine! However in order to keep articles interesting it would be good to have **monthly guest ‘Co-editors** – who would be able to **offer two or three articles which could be anything at all** – from holiday memories – hobby interests – favourite book reviews – poems – anything at all! **Please be bold and share with us snippets of interest that will interest us all!** ☺ **If you can take part please let Jacqueline know** – vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk – Tel: 716431 - and you can liaise about which month you would like to choose.

A CALL FOR PCC MEMBERS, PLEASE! – we will be thin on the ground of PCC members at the next APCM – please do think about coming on board with this – we meet every two months to think about the business and spiritual side of the church because actually – there is no separation, we can't do one without the other – **Please do pray about this and see if you might be able serve in this way.** Please see Jacqueline or Rob or any of the current PCC members if you would like to know more....

BAPTISM AND/OR CONFIRMATION: Affirming our faith – all ages: if you would like to consider affirming your journey of faith through Baptism and/or Confirmation, then please come and speak to Jacqueline about preparing for this very special occasion – it will be lovely to share the journey with you.... ☺ (07806 775974 / 01252 716431 – vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk)

NEW! – Living in Love and Faith – Another chance to try this thought-provoking course - Began Thursday 3rd February at 8pm – this might not be something you would usually take part in but I really heartily recommend coming along...

What does it mean to be human? How should Christians respond to changing patterns in sexuality and relationships in society? What does it mean for followers of Jesus to walk in love, faith and holiness today?

This five-part online course, explores questions of identity, relationships, and sexuality in the light of our Christian faith. In each session, we'll watch some videos together, have a Bible study, and spend time talking and reflecting. The aim is for this to be a safe, respectful, and honest space, where we listen to and learn from each other.

Please email Naomi (nrparkintyrie@gmail.com) to sign up for the course, or if you'd like more information.

You can also visit the LLF Learning Hub (<https://llf.churchofengland.org/>) for some fantastic resources – including podcasts, film clips, and reading suggestions.

Lion's Project Wenceslas fighting fuel poverty

On the 25th Nov the Lions are launching their initiative encouraging people to share their winter fuel allowance with those who need extra funds. With the rise in fuel prices, donating this year is more important than ever. The money goes straight to utility companies and allows fuel cards to be topped up; there is no limit on the relief as well.

If you know anyone in need, please refer them to the Lions, a referral can come from any organisation. Attached is the application form for referring someone. For more details:

<https://www.lionsgiving.co.uk/Appeal/farnhamwenceslas>

COLLECTING BOX FOR USED STAMPS – The box is at the back of the Church in aid of the RNIB and Wendy will send them of in the New Year – thank you, Wendy!

WRECCLESHAM OVER 60'S – On 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month @ 1.30pm – a lovely group meet at the Leverton Hall – please pick up a leaflet for information....

Thank you

- To those who have helped with services today & supplied refreshments – very much appreciated and valued
- Thank you to Jill Yates for the beautiful flowers these past couple of weeks..
- Thank you to Naomi and Steven for leading the LiLF course over the next few weeks
- Thank you to all our servers, stewards, readers and intercessors – and musicians(!) who give their time and efforts into make our services run well and reverently – we are blessed....

REMINDER – A short version of **Daily Prayer** is available on the **Church of England Website** and as an **App**.
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer> [Download Time To Pray app](#)
[Access the text online](#)

Farnham Foodbank – THE BASKET IS NOW LOCATED AT THE CHURCH!

- **Please only donate long-life goods – fresh and perishable goods cannot be accepted** – thank you for all that you contribute
- Please continue to put donations in the basket at St Peter's, and Lizzy Hendry & Stephanie Robinson will kindly be taking the food to the Foodbank. **Jacqueline holds Foodbank vouchers** - please contact her if you or anyone you know would benefit.
- They urgently need – **Cuppa Soup or sachet soups – tinned fruit in juice – peanut butter – milk powder (@6/2)**

St Peter's WhatsApp Group – a lovely way to share little bits and pieces of our daily lives and thoughts – Please be in touch with Jacqueline 07806 775974 or vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk who can pass your details to Naomi....

[Schroder Trust](#) - Funding is available from the Schroder Trust for Wrecclesham residents and organisations who are in need of assistance – please speak to Rob Durrant, Rev Jacqueline or Jack Crawford for further information and Farnham Town Council for the application form - <https://www.farnham.gov.uk/services/grants/the-isabella-schroder-trust>

Bible Readings – Fourth Sunday before Lent

Bible Reading: Isaiah 6.1-8(9-13)

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!’

⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’ ⁹And he said, ‘Go and say to this people: “Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.”’ ¹⁰Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.’ ¹¹Then I said, ‘How long, O Lord?’ And he said: ‘Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; ¹²until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. ¹³Even if a tenth part remains in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled.’ The holy seed is its stump.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

¹I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you – unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Gospel: Luke 5.1-11

¹While Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, ‘Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.’ ⁵Simon answered, ‘Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.’ ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, ‘Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!’ ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, ‘Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.’ ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed Jesus.