

News Sheet for Sunday 24th November 2024

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

Thank you to the **flower team – Hazel this week** - for the lovely floral display and to the **refreshment hosts this week for their generous hospitality...**

Thank you to all who make up our **worship team** for this Sunday's service – we are blessed...

THANK YOU – to Sound Mix and Marianne Windham Jazz Trio for a wonderful concert – and thank you to everyone who helped to make this happen behind the scenes – **more next week...**

A Thank you from the International Rangers Group of Boundstone Rangers:

Thanks very much for helping us out today (Remembrance) and giving us the chance to raise SO much money. £280 in total!!! This is such a great help towards paying for the trip. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

We all loved talking to the parishioners today about the trip and girl guiding in general. They were all very interested. It was really nice.

WRECCLESHAM SHINES – WE HAVE OUR OWN STAR! We have been donated a star by Farnham Town Council to go on top of the tower of St Peter's – hopefully it will be ready to be turned on 5.30pm Sunday 1st December just before the 6pm Advent Service – please do gather round if you are able – the Advent service (with the usual hospitality of festive refreshments) is optional but a good time to enter into the spirit of Advent before all the rushing of preparation can get in the way....

ONGOING NOTICES

OUR CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME IS UP ON THE NOTICE BOARD – please make a note of dates/times as we spiritually journey through Advent and on into the glorious joy of Christ's birth

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE - WE ARE ASKING FOR KIND DONATIONS OF LUXURY FESTIVE FANCIES – that Chris can turn into a lovely festive hamper to raffle during our Christmas functions...

What would you like to receive in a luxury festive hamper?! ☺ **Please bring your items to church during these coming weeks – or to the vicarage garage**

WREATH MAKING – GATHERING FOLIAGE! – We are hosting the wreath making 4-7th December this year – a handful of spaces left - please call or email Vanda - Vanda@cofewrecclesham.org.uk

- **Please bring your used bread bags** to be used to pack the moss – thank you!
- **WANTED – Seasonal foliage from your garden, please!**
 - We would like donations of foliage from gardens – to be brought to church during **Monday 2th / Tuesday 3rd December** – there will be buckets of water to store it in
 - **Please let Rob know if you would like him to collect some from you** – or if you are happy for someone to come along and cut some from your garden!

ADVENT COURSES 2024

- **Afternoon Small Group** – Thursdays 3pm – 21st, 28th November, 5th, 12th December (Handel's Messiah)

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

- This year look out for the daily Advent Reflections – from Cafod (Catholic Aid Agency) – and there will also be a daily reflection complementing the small group theme of seeing the story of God's Salvation through Jesus in the music and scripture words of Handel's Messiah...

COMING UP:

- **7PM SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS WASSAIL** – in the Leverton Hall – festive entertainment with refreshments – spaces will be limited, **PLEASE LET DAVID BRACE KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING**
- **7.30PM TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER – ROWLEDGE COMMUNITY CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT** – a free concert with retiring collection for church funds – festive refreshments & raffle
- **3-5PM SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 2025 - Wildlife of Southern Britain: A talk by Ian Stone** – a light-hearted talk with quiz at the end – afternoon tea and cake will be served!

THANK YOU

TODAY'S SERVICE – **24th November – Christ the King**
8am - Holy Communion

10am – Parish Communion for Christ the King
4pm – Messy Church – Countdown to Christmas

Readings & Hymns: There are **Pew Bibles** available to browse/follow the readings at the back of church
For Remembrance:- please see service sheets
Lectionary: Daniel 7.9-10,13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1.4b-8; John 18.33-37
Hymns:- 125 Crown him with many crowns - King of Kings, Majesty – 175 Servant King – 634 Cm The King of love my shepherd is – 310 In Christ alone

The Collect for Christ the King – today's gathering prayer of the Church
Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 1st December – Advent Sunday

8am - Holy Communion
10am – First Sunday Service for Advent Sunday – with refreshments in the church from 9.45am
Junior Church – Sunday @ St Peter's – will run from 10.15am to 11.30am in the hall....
12pm – Holy Baptism of Miley
5.30pm – Lighting of the Wrecclesham Star
6pm – Reflective Service for Advent Sunday

EVERY WEDNESDAY: 8AM ONLINE MORNING PRAYER (although Jacqueline is in person at St Peter's Church when she leads it – you are welcome to join her either in person or on zoom...)
Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87443605688?pwd=UYiMVbph9q6XaSTsxcawvA4ixebxjT.1>
Meeting ID: 874 4360 5688 - Passcode: 307447
20th November - Morning prayer will be on zoom only

FREE TICKET PASS FOR WESTMINSTER ABBEY – I have secured a pass that allows 6 visits for the year church family members to use – up to four people per visit- **there are three – possibly four passes left for the coming year** – please see Jacqueline to reserve your pass

Please see Notice Board for up to date news / events / services

PRAYERS FOR:

Pat Wood, Jenny Emberson, Andrew Jones, Beryl Tate, Gerald Martin, Zoe Perkins – for all who are poorly, and give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness...

RIP – Kay Edmonds – we pray for Brian and daughter Rachel and their family as they mourn. The funeral service will be held 1pm Monday 25th November at St Peter's Church....

RIP – Sybil Edwards – we pray for Sybil's son, Barry and his family as they mourn. (Sybil used to live in the parish and her funeral will take place 1pm Friday 29th November at St Peter's Church)

We remember all those dear to us whose years' mind falls around this time....:
(please let Jacqueline know if you would like someone remembered by name ...)

Please also pray for the life and work of our Church, that we might be part of God's revival, and loving and transforming grace here in our place...

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....

OTHER NOTICES

PCC

- **From April 2025 – vacancies for the service positions of Churchwarden and PCC Secretary** – we are aware that both Rob and Judith will be stepping down from their roles as Churchwarden and PCC Secretary. Do you think either might be something God is prompting you to think about – if so, please do come and have a chat with Jacqueline or, indeed, Rob or Judith in the first instance.
- **WRECCLESHAM FETE TEAM** – We would love two or three people to represent St Peter's when the planning for 2025 fete begins – this is to liaise with the wider fete team to keep up to date with plans and to help organise our own contributions. We always trust that help comes forward on the day, but the finer details of planning and ideas is something that a little group would be ideal to facilitate – **please do let Rob know if you can help...**

St Peter's School is looking to recruit a Foundation Governor to join them as they seek to bring the best school-life experience to our children. This is a volunteer role and if you are interested to discuss the role with a current governor or to know more, please do see the poster on the notice board with information and contact details - please email: info@stpeters-farnham.surrey.sch.uk

Farnham Assist – 2024 Programme now available by the notice boards – Farnham Assist reach out to older people who live alone or who are carers

Calling all singers.... Do you like to sing? Come and join our informal choir. No experience needed, you don't need to read music or commit to regular Sundays. We will meet at 9.30 before the service to run through the hymns with David - just turn up. For more information please contact me on 07548830018 or email carolzeiher@sky.com.

THIS WEEK'S THANK YOUs... Please see notice above – and to all of us for being there for each other and doing what we can for the love of the Lord and our St Peter's Church! ☺

GENERAL NOTICES

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....

Farnham Foodbank BASKET IS LOCATED ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE CHURCH BY THE DOOR
Please only donate long-life goods – fresh and perishable goods cannot be accepted – thank you for all that you contribute

Urgent : new food list (getting ready for Christmas orders): Christmas cake, Mince pies, Chocolate Selection boxes, Packets of custard - Items such as stuffing and gravy - thank you so much...

Please continue to put donations in the basket and Lizzy Hendry will kindly be taking the food to the Foodbank – thank you everyone...

Contact: mail: info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk or call 07901 58153 visit our website farnham.foodbank.org.uk

Diocese News - If you would like to receive news and information from the Diocese, please sign up to their [weekly parish brief](#).

Lectionary Readings – 24th November – Christ the King

First Reading: Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14 (Pew Bible p.896)

⁹As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. ¹³As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

¹⁴To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Second Reading: Revelation 1.4b-8 (Pew Bible p.1237)

⁴Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. ⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

(Gospel: John 18:33-37 – (Pew Bible p.1091)

³³Pilate asked Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' ³⁴Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' ³⁵Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' ³⁶Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' ³⁷Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'