

News Sheet for Sunday 16th November –The Second Sunday before Advent

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 everyone involved in leading our worship today - also to Chris for offering hospitality, and to Jill for flowers this week – very much appreciated...

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 16th November

8am - Holy Communion – led by Rev Clive Richardson

10am – All Age Service – led by The Worship Team, followed by refreshments

Lectinary: Malachi 4.1-2a; Psalm 132; 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13; Luke 21.5-19

A ST PETER'S THANK YOU for everyone involved in our Remembrance Service and to Myung-Hye for the evocative candles round the War Memorial on Monday eve

The Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Stephanie & Norman (now home) Robinson, Jenny Emberson, Tim Sturt, Christine Paine, Gerald Martin, Andrew Jones and for all who are poorly, and give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness...

RIP, please pray for

The family of Jenny Green who passed away 22nd October. Funeral @St Peter's, 11.30 24th November

We remember all those dear to us whose years' mind falls around this time

(please let Chris 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...

Upcoming Diary Dates!

November - 18th Advent Group 2-4pm; 23rd Messy Church 4-6pm

December - 6th Wassail 7pm; 21st Carol Service 6pm; 24th Crib Service 4pm

**** ERROR ** The eagle eyed among you may have spotted mention of the Christmas Tree Festival in the Magazine - apologies – we aren't having one this year**

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

It's that time again! We would be grateful for donations of luxury food items.

Colin will be selling tickets from 6th December (Wassail) onwards

AFTERNOON ADVENT GROUP STARTS THIS TUESDAY- For those who enjoy a sociable and quiet seasonal reflection, come and join us, kindly hosted by Chris and Frank, with sessions facilitated by Steven. Three dates, 18th November, 2nd & 9th December, 2- 4pm. Please let Steven or Chris know if you would like to join us for a session or more

CAN YOU HELP VANDA? Wreath Making is the biggest fundraising event of our year, raising over £3000 & brings 120 people into our church over 4 days – she needs a little help on each day please. We will also need a **HUGE AMOUNT OF FOLIAGE** to be collected and brought to church from Monday 1st December. We can cut it and collect if you are unable to! Evergreen foliage is good & variegated is especially lovely. Also help with setting up and serving refreshments – please see notice board for info. Please email vanda on vanda@cofewrecclesham.org.uk if you are able to help in any way.

HELP NEEDED PLEASE! From Nicky Hill - Our next Messy Church session is Sunday 23rd November, 4pm-6pm. We need a few more pairs of hands to help. There are various roles including putting out tables/chairs in the hall, registration and welcome, setting up refreshments, leading a planned activity, serving food, or clearing

up (from 5.15pm). If you are able to offer help please let her know
email messychurch@cofewrecclesham.org.uk with an indication of what you would like to do.

PRAYING TOGETHER: 'A future and a hope' – a short time of prayer for our church and community after the service TODAY in the side chapel. We will allow 20 minutes for you to get refreshments before gathering. Future dates over the coming months are November 30th and December 14th. Please speak to Carol or Kathryn for more information.

CELTIC MORNING PRAYER ON WEDNESDAYS VIA ZOOM IS now at 8.30am This is thirty minutes of short readings, reflection and prayer of a contemplative nature. There are booklets available if you would like to sample before taking part. If you are interested in joining then please contact Kathryn on kathrynbeehive@gmail.com

THE YOUTH CAFE meets on Wednesdays at the Leverton Hall 3:15pm-4:45pm. The Youth Cafe provides a safe, supportive and welcoming space for young people to socialise, have fun, and get free refreshments.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 23rd November

8am - Holy Communion **10am** – Parish Communion, Refreshments in the Hall after

NEWS SHEET – please let **Chris Wilkes** know of any notices you would like included – **by Thursday lunchtime if possible**. Email: parishadmin@cofewrecclesham.org.uk – Tel/text: 07902 768597

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 LEFT-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. Lizzy Hendry kindly takes the food to the Foodbank for us.

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

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

Bible Readings

First Reading: Malachi 4.1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians.3.6-13

We command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Gospel: Luke 21.5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And Jesus said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.'