News Sheet for Sunday 22nd November – Christ The King

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, to Kathryn Beasley for organising refreshments and to Hazel for the flowers, they are much appreciated…

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE – Christ The King

8am	No service
10am	Parish Communion – Rev Sandy Cavalier. Refreshments in the Hall after the service

Lectionary: Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95.1-7a; Ephesians 1.15-23; Matthew 25.31-46

The Collect
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.

PRAYERS FOR Jenny Emberson, Tim Sturt, Gerald Martin, Colin Durrant and for all who are poorly. We give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness…
We remember all those dear to us whose years' mind falls around this time
(p*lease let Julia 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…

Wreath Making Sessions: There will be 4 wreath making workshops in church in December; these raise a substantial amount of money for our Church funds. As always we will need a HUGE AMOUNT OF FOLIAGE to be collected and brought to church from Monday 7th December. We can cut it and collect if you are unable to! Evergreen foliage is good & variegated is especially lovely. I would also appreciate help with serving refreshments on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings and Saturday Morning. Thank you. Please email Vanda on vanda@cofewrecclesham.org.uk if you are able to help

Messy Advent: Our next Messy Church session is on Sunday 29th November from 4pm-6pm. As always, we would welcome a few more pairs of hands to help. There are various roles including putting out tables/chairs in the hall after morning refreshments, overseeing the self-serve refreshments, serving food, or clearing up (from 5.15pm). It would also be lovely to see you if you would like to experience the warmth of a Messy Church session. Perhaps you would enjoy sharing refreshments or tea with our families. If you are able to offer help or plan to come along, please email messychurch@cofewrecclesham.org.uk with an indication of what you would like to do. We hope to see you then. Many thanks from the Messy Church team.

St Peter's Christmas Luxury Hamper time! Please can we ask for your generosity once again in filling the Hamper with Christmas goodies. We hope to start selling the Draw tickets at the Jigsaw Sale to maximise the fundraising that the hamper generates. As usual it will be drawn after the Carol Service. Just bring your gifts to Church on Sundays or contact Chris Wilkes - wilkeschrisfrank17@gmail.com 01252 710946

Calendars for sale: The Wrecclesham Conservation Group have produced a beautiful 2027 calendar showing scenes from our Church Yard. It is on sale for £8 with all funds raised supporting St Peter's Church. It would make the perfect gift for Christmas and will be on sale after each service and event. We thank the conservation group for supporting our fund raising in such a creative way.

Advent Reflections: There will be three afternoon Advent reflections led by Steven and kindly hosted by Christine and Frank Wilkes. Tuesday, 1st, 8th and 15th December, starting 2pm and finishing at 3.30pm. Please let Christine or Steven know if you wish to join us for some quiet time, prayer and singing. Steven stevenknowles1@gmail.com Christine wilkeschrisfrank17@gmail.com

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE - 1st Sunday of Advent

8am	Morning Prayer - Steven Knowles
10am	Parish Communion - Rev Helen Mitchell. Refreshments in the Hall after the Service

THE YOUTH CAFE meets on Wednesdays in term time 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.
NEWS SHEET – please let Julia Davidson 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 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.

Readings

First Reading Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Second Reading Ephesians 1.15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Gospel Matthew 25.31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, “Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.” Then the righteous will answer him, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?” And the king will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Then he will say to those at his left hand, “You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.” Then they also will answer, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?” Then he will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.” And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’