

News Sheet
All Saints Day – 5th November 2023

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 making this Sunday's worship and happen - and to whoever is offering refreshments and hospitality today..

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

TODAY'S SERVICE – 29th October

8am - Holy Communion

10am – Parish Communion – with refreshments in the hall afterwards

Celebrant: Rev Jacqueline – Sermon: Rev Sandy – Music: David

Readings & Hymns: There are **Pew Bibles** available to browse/follow the readings at the back of church

Lectionary: Leviticus 19.1-2,15-18; Ps 1; 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8; Matthew 22.34-46

Hymns: 675 Through all the changing scenes of life – 381 Let there be love shared among us – 102 Come down O love divine – 605 Cm Take my life and let it be – 428 Love divine all loves excelling

The Collect for the Last Sunday after Trinity

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 – 5th November

8am - Holy Communion

10am – First Sunday Service for All Saints and All Souls - with refreshments in the church beforehand

3pm – Commemoration Service for our Dear Departed – with refreshments afterwards

TODAY'S MAIN NOTICES

PARISH MAGAZINE – This month's Parish Magazine is out – huge thanks to Nicola Covey and the team (please see thank-you's below... ☺)

PRAYERS FOR PEACE – Thank you to Kathryn for making available prayers for peace on the notice board – especially at this time in the Middle East and Ukraine – but we pray for all places in conflict, that the light of God's peace and reconciliation will break through in the dark places....

ST PETER'S SCHOOL FIREWORK DISPLAY – 6-8.30pm – THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER - A WONDERFUL GATHERING WITH BBQ / DRINKS / HOT CHOC / and wonderful firework display – please see email re tickets

CHURCH / CHURCH GROUNDS AUTUMN TIDY UP – This will take place between **9am-12pm SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER** – in time for Remembrance. Please do come along to tend to whatever appeals to you – many hands make light work – coffee and cake will be served!

SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER, 3pm - Service for the Commemoration of the Dear Departed – a quiet service of thankful remembrance for our loved ones departed. Your loved one's name can be read out and you are invited to light a candle and/or bring a flower to lay on the altar if you wish as a symbol of remembrance ... **There will be a list on the notice board to add a name** – or please contact Chris Wilkes – parishadmin@cofewrecclesham.org.uk – telephone/text 07902 768597

CHRITMAS 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**

This year – we are delighted to be hosting the **WRECCLESHAM CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2023** – 10-4pm Saturday 2nd and 2-4pm Sunday 3^{ED} December – I am sure it will be as lovely as ever and with a few extras festivities to enjoy!

YOU ARE INVITED TO ENTER A CHRISTMAS TREE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO – PLEASE LET JACQUELINE/ROB KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE A PLACE – & **GET THOSE IDEAS STARTED FOR A WEEKEND OF DAZZLING DISPLAY OF TREES AND FESTIVE FUN** – ending with Carols by Candlelight 4pm on Sunday 3rd December

LIONS FUEL APPEAL - Farnham Lions, for the 12th year running, are again launching the Wenceslas Appeal for anyone who might be in a position to donate their Winter Fuel Payment to help local people and families who will

find it hard to keep warm and cook in these coming months – an amazing £57,000 was distributed to people in need who were referred via the Citizens Advice and Farnham Support Fund, Farnham Foodbank and other charities... Donations can be made to <https://www.lionsgiving.co.uk/Appeal/farnhamwenceslas> or by cheque (payable to Farnham Lions Club CIO and endorsed WFP on the back) sent to Farnham Lions Club, 45 Edward Road, Farnham GU9 8NP

HEADLINES / CHURCH NOTICES

BREAD BAGS WANTED, PLEASE!

Please could you bring in your bread bags please – we will use them to pack the Wreath-making moss! ☺

AUTUMN AFTERNOON GATHERINGS at the Vicarage Wed 2-3.30pm - 4/10, 11/10, 18/10, 25/10, 1/11 - Hymns We Love (especially written for us seniors, but open to all, of course ☺)

Five sessions taking us to the heart of the Christian faith as we explore some of the nation's best-loved hymns. Over a cuppa and cake (of course!) we will watch a DVD that tells the story of the hymn writer, how the hymn came to be, and the Christian message behind it – and then we can have a chat about them and share our thoughts and memories associated with the hymn – and anything on our hearts...

DONATIONS WANTED PLEASE! There will be a **couple of boxes** in the vestry to collect donations for

- **RAFFLE PRIZES** (any items) -
- **CHRISTMAS STUFF** (used/new - for a Christmas stall at the Christmas Tree Festival in December)

HELP NEEDED, PLEASE – techy team rota - we would like to extend the team - it is not as challenging as it sounds! Please do speak to Rob/Jacqueline or any of our wonderful Techy Team if you would like to know more – you will be on the rota roughly once every 4/5 weeks – and you can work with another person if you like to be in a team!

THIS WEEK'S THANK YOUs... 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! ☺

- Thank you to Nicola Covey and to June, Sue and Beverley and the delivery team for this month's parish magazine – and to all who contributed..
- Thank you to our wonderful Chris Gray and the Flower Team and the Refreshments Team who provide beautiful flowers and heart-warming hospitality each week – we are blessed!
- Thank you to Alison from Kings Lane who has offered her lovely Florence Nightingale cake for this morning's refreshments – we will enjoy alongside Jill's kind offering ☺
- Thank you to David for overseeing the tuning of the organ – which is sounding wonderful and beautifully played by David!

PRAYERS FOR:

Gerald Martin, Andrew Steward, Zoe Perkins, Sylvia Ryder – for all who are poorly, and give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness....

Years Mind: 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 ...)*

RIP: Roger Everton Spencer (Anthea's brother) – we pray for Anthea and her family's comfort as they mourn...

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...

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....

Farnham Foodbank

THE BASKET IS NOW 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

For October: Tinned potatoes – UHT juice – UHT sponges - Chocolate treats – toilet rolls thank you for your generosity.....

- **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 or follow on Facebook [facebook.com/farnhamfoodbank](https://www.facebook.com/farnhamfoodbank)

GENERAL NOTICES

- **Farnham Assist** — Farnham Assist reach out to older people who live alone or who are carers – there are fliers at the back of church. **Please do take one if you or anyone you know might benefit from becoming part of the Farnham Assist community** – monthly Sunday lunches – pie & pint club for gentlemen – knit & natter – Ladies pub lunches – day trips & walks – and transport to help – it’s all there...
- **GRANTS - Waverley Borough Council**
 - For Waverley residents on a lower income and living in a hard to heat home that is not heated by gas – check for eligibility for new government funding to make your home more energy efficient and reduce household bills. HELPLINE 01483 523204 – OR LOOK ONLINE AT:
<https://www.waverley.gov.uk/Council-updates/Read-our-latest-news/ArtMID/1683/ArticleID/1321/Waverley-residents-urged-to-apply-for-free-grants-to-heat-homes>

Bible readings – for The Last Sunday after Trinity

First Reading: Leviticus 19.1-2,15-18 – Pew Bible p.117

¹The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: ²Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

¹⁵You shall not render an unjust judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. ¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the Lord.

¹⁷You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8 – Pew Bible p.1189

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not

Gospel: Matthew 22.34-46 (Pew Bible 997)

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶‘Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?’ ³⁷He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’” ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: “‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’” ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.’ ⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²‘What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?’ They said to him, ‘The son of David.’ ⁴³He said to them, ‘How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴“The Lord said to my Lord, ‘Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet’”?’ ⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?’ ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.