

## News Sheet – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 - 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 the services - and to those offering refreshments and hospitality today.**

### **TODAY'S SERVICE – 26<sup>th</sup> November**

**8am** - Holy Communion

**10am** – Parish Communion for Christ the King with refreshments in the church afterwards

Celebrant: Rev Sandy – Preacher: Rev Jacqueline - Music: David

**4pm** – Messy Advent: Watching and Waiting

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

*Lectionary:* Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24; Ps95.1-7a; Ephes 1.15-23; Matt 25.31-46

*Hymns:* 48 At the name of Jesus – King of Kings, Majesty - 402 Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour – 634 Cm

The King of love my shepherd is - 125 Crown him with many crowns

The Collect for Christ the King

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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> December First Sunday Service for Advent Sunday with Holy Baptism**

**8am** - Holy Communion

**10.30am** – First Sunday Service - Advent Sunday including Holy Baptism - refreshments in the church from 9.45am

Celebrant and preacher – Rev Jacqueline – Music: David

## **TODAY'S MAIN NOTICES**

**A note from Farnham Foodbank for St Peter's family** - We wanted to thank you for your generous support throughout the past year, through donations and prayers for the Farnham Foodbank. Your support is so important to our ability to provide emergency food and other essentials to struggling individuals and families in the area, as well as to help them access support to address the wider issues that cause them to need the Foodbank.

All of us at Farnham Foodbank send you our very best wishes for a blessed and joyous Christmas and for the year to come. Warmest wishes from Harriet and the team

**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](mailto:carolzeiher@sky.com).

**NEWSPAPERS WANTED** – for wreath making and for conservation, please!

**LAST CALL! - 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... **Please do bring your items to church during these coming weeks – or to the vicarage garage**

**FINAL COUNTDOWN - WRECCLESHAM CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2023** 10-4pm Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> & 2-4pm Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> December – ending with **Carols by Candlelight, 4pm Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

- **Entering a Christmas tree** – please let Jacqueline/Rob know
- **Help on the day – help needed during the weekend for the refreshments and the Christmas stall** - 1-2 hourly stints (or what suits) – **sign up sheet at the back of the church** – thank you so much!

**NEARLY THERE! WREATH MAKING** – This year wreath making **6-10<sup>th</sup> December** – is a sell out!

**Thank you so much to this year's Wreath/Trees team** – Rob & Sam, Susan (refreshments) Chris & Frank and Vanda who has taken care of the admin – a huge task – bravo, Vanda!

- **Please keep bringing 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 4<sup>th</sup> / Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Phyllis Tuckwell Needs Helps Filling Spiritual Care Baskets

### PLEASE SEE NOTICE ON THE BOARD FOR FINER DETAILS

Could you help fill [Phyllis Tuckwell's](#) spiritual care baskets? These baskets are kept on its In-Patient Unit, where it cares for patients who are in their last days of life. They contain small, meaningful items which patients' families can take free of charge, and use to help them at this difficult time.

Some of the items in the basket are handmade, while others are bought from shops. The handmade items may be knitted, crocheted, sewn or felted, and could be in the shape of hearts, flowers or other designs.



The donated items are usually wooden or glass pebbles or hearts, or small wooden holding crosses for those with a Christian faith. "It can be a very difficult time for them and their families as they spend their last precious moments together, and having small items such as these to keep hold of when their families cannot be at their bedside can be really meaningful."

## OTHER HEADLINES / CHURCH NOTICES

### Advent at the Vicarage – CAROLS WE LOVE

**2-3.30pm – Tues 21/11, Wed 29/11, Wed 13/12 & Wed 20/12 - (open to all ☺)**

Four sessions exploring the themes of Advent through some of our favourite carols. Over a cuppa and cake (of course!) we will sing the carol (if you want to) and think about its origin and meaning and the Christian Advent message behind it – and there is space to share our thoughts and memories associated with the carol – and anything on our hearts...

**'The Rowledge Ringers at St Peter's – 10am Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – they will be doing another 'ring' before and after the 10am service and we look forward to hearing the hand-bells once more – thank you to Moira and the team!

**DONATIONS still much appreciated please!** There are 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)

**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 Andrew for sweeping the church surrounds for Remembrance
- Thank you to Hugh for churchyard grass cutting where he could in preparation for Remembrance – hugely appreciated, Hugh! (thank you to the contractors who removed the fallen tree in the churchyard)
- Thank you to Margaret and Jim Jeffery who tend a prepare the Memorial for our Act of Remembrance

### **PRAYERS FOR:**

Andrew Jones, Gerald Martin, 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....

**RIP** – Mary White (Ashton Manor) – please pray for Mary's family at this sad time...

**RIP** – Ivy Skeet – please pray for Reg and their family at this very sad time of mourning

**Ivy's funeral will take place at St Peter's Church at 11.30am on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

**RIP** – Jennifer Williams (Sister of John Birch) – please pray for John and the family at this time of mourning

**RIP** - Guillermo Araque (Father-in-law of Judith, PCC Secretary – please pray for Judith, Pablo, Carolina & Isabel and all the family at this sad time of mourning

**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 ...)*

**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](mailto: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....

**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 – you can work with another person if you like to be in a team!

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

## 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 November :** 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](mailto:info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk) or call 07901 58153 visit our website [farnham.foodbank.org.uk](http://farnham.foodbank.org.uk) or follow on Facebook [facebook.com/farnhamfoodbank](https://www.facebook.com/farnhamfoodbank)

## GENERAL NOTICES

- **Lions Fuel Appeal** - Farnham Lions, for the 12<sup>th</sup> 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
- **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>
- **Diocese News** - If you would like to receive news and information from the Diocese, please sign up to their [weekly parish brief](#).

## LECTIONARY READINGS for Christ the King – 26<sup>th</sup> November

First Reading - Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24

11 Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. 12 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. 13 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. 14 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. 15 I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. 16 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. 20 Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, 22 I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 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

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>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, <sup>18</sup>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, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>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, <sup>21</sup>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. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

#### Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 31'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. 32All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 34Then 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; 35for 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, 36I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." 37Then 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? 38And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" 40And 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." 41Then 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; 42for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43I 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." 44Then 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?" 45Then 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." 46And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'