



# WELCOME TO ST CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH HINCHLEY WOOD



12th January 2020 - **BAPTISM OF CHRIST** - 2nd Sunday of the Month  
**Welcomers this week: Celia Francis and Christa Peasey**

## **WELCOME!**

Adults and children of all ages are most welcome at St Christopher's. Please do stay for refreshments after the service and introduce yourself to us. If you require ANY assistance please let us know. Large-print service sheets are available, please ask.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

Members of all churches are welcome to receive Communion. We have gluten-free wafers available – just ask when you come up to communion. To receive a blessing, please bring this leaflet when you come forward. If you need communion brought to you please tell a Welcomer.

## **FAMILIES**

MESSY CHURCH runs on the 1st Friday of each month from 3:30pm-6:00pm with craft activities, celebration worship and a cooked tea. Next Messy Church will be on 7th February 2020.

## **ECO TIP**

### **'Recycle, Reuse, Reduce'**

For the next three months the topics in our weekly "Eco-tips", will be "**Recycle**", "**Reuse**" and "**Reduce**". We hope you will find them useful and maybe discover one or two new things that you can try!

#### **Recycling Tip 1: Christmas cards and wrapping**

Ribbons and glitter cannot be recycled, so remove these from cards and wrapping paper before recycling.

Wrapping paper can only be recycled if it can be "scrunched" (and doesn't spring back). Simple paper wrap can be recycled, but foil or glitter-decorated paper will not scrunch so needs to go in general waste.

## **TODAY'S HYMNS**

### **Gathering:**

Jesus is Lord! (352)

### **Gradual:**

Let all the World (382)

### **Offertory:**

Christ is our Cornerstone (98)

**During Communion the choir will sing: In the Lord I'll be Ever Thankful (929)**

### **Communion hymn:**

Spirit of the Living God (615)

### **Post Communion:**

The Spirit Lives to Set Us Free (666)

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## **TODAY - 12TH JANUARY**

### **BAPTISM OF CHRIST**

10:00am Sung Eucharist  
11:30am MU AGM (Lady Chapel)

### **Monday, 13th January**

9:30am Zumba  
5:00pm Tutoring Session (Vestry)  
7:30pm Zoe Bennett Pilates

### **Tuesday, 14th January**

10:00am Move It Or Lose It  
3:15pm Abel Karate Class

### **Wednesday, 15th January**

#### **Parish Administrator Annual Leave**

### **Thursday, 16th January**

10:30am Move It Or Lose It  
4:30pm Elevate Eleven  
6:15pm Choir Practice

### **Friday, 17th January**

12:00pm Blood Transfusion Service  
2:45pm Dance Classes  
6:00pm Andy King Children's Kung Fu

## **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

### **Saturday, 18th January**

9:15am Morning Prayer at  
All Saints, Weston Green  
10:00am Parish Vision Day  
2:30pm Drama Notes

## **NEXT SUNDAY – 19TH JANUARY**

### **EPIPHANY 2**

10:00am All Age Eucharist  
4:30pm Unity Service at  
Our Lady of Lourdes

## **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

### **18th-24th January**

Christian Unity Week is coming up at the end of the month and the CTD (Churches in the Dittons) churches will be holding various services throughout that week.

### **Saturday, 18th January**

9:15am Morning Prayer  
All Saints, Weston Green

### **Sunday, 19th January**

4:30pm Unity Service  
Our Lady of Lourdes, Hampton Court Way  
The service will be followed by refreshments.

### **Monday, 20th January**

10:00am Morning Prayer  
St. Nicholas, Thames Ditton

### **Tuesday, 21st January**

4:30pm Tea and Prayer  
United Reformed Church, Speer Road,  
Thames Ditton

### **Wednesday, 22nd January**

12:30pm MIDDAY PRAYER  
Esher Friends' Meeting House

### **Thursday, 23rd January**

8:00pm Taizé Service:  
St. Mary's, Long Ditton

### **Friday, 24th January**

10:00am Morning Prayer  
St. Christopher's Church, Hinchley Wood

**ST. CHRISTOPHER'S  
CHURCH HALL**  
Claygate Lane, Hinchley Wood

## **TEA AND HYMNS**



**Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> January**  
**3:30-5:00pm**  
and  
the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month

**Tea, Cake & Hymns**



## **CHOCOLATE BINGO!**

**Saturday, 29th February at 6:00pm**

Hinchley Wood Guides is running a Chocolate Bingo Night on Saturday, 29th February at Hinchley Wood Scout and Guide HQ. This is a fundraising evening to raise funds for some of their Guides to go to Mexico in the summer.

The cost is £5.00 per person, which includes a bingo ticket book, and there are lots of chocolate prizes to be won!

If you wish to go along, please sign the sheet at the back of the Church.

**All are welcome!**

## **MARY FINDLAY**

We were very sorry to hear that Mary Findlay had died on Monday, 6th January 2020. Mary was a regular member of the congregation until fairly recently, when she moved into a care home due to failing health.

Arrangements for Mary's funeral have yet to be confirmed, but it is expected to take place at 12:30pm on Monday, 27th January at Randall's Park Crematorium .

## **DEMENTIA FRIENDS SESSION**

**Wednesday, 15th January**  
**2:30-4:00pm**

Dementia Friends will be running an information session at Linwood Care Home, Mercer Close, Thames Ditton on Wednesday, 15th January at 2:30pm. Details are on the poster on the Porch Notice Board.

Could anyone interested in attending please let Mandy know by Tuesday, 14th January so she can let the organisers know.

**All are welcome.**

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## **COLLECT**

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **PRAYERS**

We remember in our prayers all those in need, those who are housebound, and those who are ill, at home or in hospital.

We give thanks for the life of Mary Findlay. May she rest in peace.

## **1ST READING**

### **ISAIAH 42: 1-9**

42 Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. 2 He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; 3 a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. 4 He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. 5 Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: 6 I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, 7 to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. 8 I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. 9 See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

## **2ND READING**

### **ACTS 10:34-43**

34 Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36 You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. 37 That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39 We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **MATTHEW 3:13-17**

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' 15 But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'