



# WELCOME TO ST CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH HINCHLEY WOOD



23rd February 2020 - **LAST SUNDAY BEFORE LENT** - 4th Sunday of the Month  
**Welcomers this week: Roy Turner and Rosemary Coath**

## 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 6th March.

## ECO TIP

### ***Recycling Tip 4: Document Shredding and Envelopes***

It would be logical to assume that paper documents put through the shredder can be recycled, but no! Currently the systems cannot cope with "shreds", so put them into paper bags or cardboard boxes before placing in the recycle bin.

**Paper envelopes**, with or without plastic windows can be recycled, but padded envelopes cannot.

**Junk mail** can be recycled, but you can reduce the amount you receive by signing up to the Mailing Preference Service.

<https://www.mpsonline.org.uk>

## TODAY'S HYMNS

### **Gathering:**

Ye Servants of God (756)

### **Gradual:**

Jesus on the Mountain Peak (357)

### **Offertory:**

Brother, Sister, Let Me Serve You (88)

**During Communion the choir will sing:  
Confitemini Domino (925)**

### **Communion hymn:**

Be Still for the Presence of the Lord (67)

### **Post Communion:**

God of Grace and God of Glory (225)

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## **TODAY – 23RD FEBRUARY** **LAST SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

10:00am Sung Eucharist  
3:30pm Tea & Hymns

### Monday, 24th February

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

### Tuesday, 25th February

10:00am Move It Or Lose It  
3:15pm Abel Karate  
7:30pm Yoga Class (Hall)

### Wednesday, 26th February

#### **Ash Wednesday**

11:30am Eucharist with Ashing  
3:30pm The Rock Project (Hirer) (TBC)  
7:30pm Hinchley Wood Fellowship -  
'My Love of Craft'

### Thursday, 27th February

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

### Friday, 28th February

6:00pm Andy King Children's Kung-Fu

### Saturday, 29th February

2:30pm Drama Notes Academy

## **NEXT SUNDAY - 1ST MARCH**

### **1st Sunday of Lent**

10:00am All Age Eucharist  
11:30am Prayer Chain Meeting

## **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT**

Monday, 24th February until Sunday,  
8th March will be Fairtrade Fortnight.

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

## **TEA AND HYMNS**



**Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**3:30-5:00pm**

**and**  
**the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month**

**Tea, Cake & Hymns**



## **ADVANCE NOTICE**

### **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

**Sunday, 29th March**  
**11:30am-12:30pm**

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held after the morning service on Sunday, 29th March. Everyone on the Electoral Roll is invited to attend.

This is an opportunity to have your say about how St. Christopher's is run and who you wish to represent you on the PCC as well as electing the two Church Wardens.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

**26th February**  
**11:30am**

After filling up on pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, join us on Ash Wednesday at 11:30am for a Eucharist with ashing.



## LENT LUNCHES

During Lent we will again be holding Wednesday morning Eucharist services at 11:30am. Instead of a sermon there will be a led opportunity for us to engage with a gospel passage together and share the ways in which it speaks to us.

The services will be held on:

4th March  
11th March  
18th March  
25th March  
1st April



These will be followed by a simple Lent lunch at about 12:30pm.

Please do put all these dates in your diary and come along. If you would be happy to bring food to share for one of the Lent lunches, please do let Caroline know.

**Many thanks**

## Electoral Roll



**Belong**



**Participate**



**Contribute**

Your invitation to:

- Activities
- Songs
- Food
- Crafts
- Games
- Stories

**Messy Church**

Fri. 7th Feb Jesus Gets Wet  
Fri. 6th Mar Growing with Jesus

You are warmly invited to join us at  
**MessyChurch@StChristophers**  
**Hinchley Wood.**

Messy Church is a different sort of church suitable for all the family.  
Children must be accompanied by parents/grandparents/carers.  
**3.30-5.45pm.**  
No need to book, just turn up.  
**Everyone Welcome.**

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## **COLLECT**

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## **1ST READING**

### **EXODUS 24:12-18**

12 The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' 13 So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. 14 To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' 15 Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. 16 The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. 17 Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. 18 Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

## **2ND READING**

### **2 PETER 1:16-25**

16 For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. 17 For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' 18 We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. 19 So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. 20 First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, 21 because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **MATTHEW 17:1-9**

17 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. 2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. 3 Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4 Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' 5 While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. 7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' 8 And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask 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 pray especially for Fr. Peter Jenner.

We give thanks for the lives of Margaret (Peggy) Carroll, Frank Elders, Mary Findlay, Maureen Price and John, dearly loved son-in-law to Dorothy. May they rest in peace.