

INDIVIDUALS REQUESTING PRAYER: Jack, who was terminally ill, has passed away, please pray for his wife Marie and their family; for Sam Daley, finding it difficult to settle in his new home; Mark Andrews and family, bereavement; David Arnold, for relief from pain; Shirah, for continued healing; and strength for her husband Gra, and children Harry and Jess; Marianne, as her mum settles into her new home; for Philip Bentley and the family of Chase - bereavement; George, in hospital after two strokes; Mike, friend of the Borrells, as he begins treatment for leukaemia, and for his wife and family; Michael Banfield, on chemo, and for Linda; Val W, for benefit from new treatment, and less nausea; Marie; Linda Smith, unresolved health issues; Nick, brain tumour; Pat Dawson; Brian Rich, starting chemo for pancreatic cancer.



Welcome to Christ Church!

Jesus welcomed all, and so do we. We have level access, a hearing loop in the Worship Area, an area to occupy pre-school children at the front left corner, activity tables for KS1 children at the front, a crèche during our 10.30am services, and toilets. We recognise generosity and giving represents an important outworking of our Christian discipleship. Most of our Church Family give on a regular basis to God's mission and ministry via the Parish Giving Scheme. We don't have an offering during our services, but we have an offering plate at the entrance to our worship area for those who wish to give via cheque or cash.

THE COMING WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH	
Saturday 7 December	10am-5pm Christmas Tree Festival
Sunday 8 December	7-8pm Come and Pray
Monday 9 December	9.30-11.30am Coffee and Co 3.45-5.45 Messy Church does Christingle!
Tuesday 10 December	10-11.30am Sparklers Christmas Party – Tuesday group 1-3pm 123 Matinee Group
Wednesday 11 December	9.30-10am Morning Prayer
Thursday 12 December	10-11.30am Sparklers Christmas Party – Thursday group
Sunday 15 December	6-7.30pm Carol Service
Monday 16 December	8-9pm Come and Pray
Tuesday 17 December	11.30am Holy Communion (later due to lunch later start time). 12.30 noon Lunch Club Christmas Lunch

Sundays 8 and 15 December 2019

Sunday 8 December "A COMING MESSENGER"
 9.0 am Morning Worship 10.30 Holy Communion by Valerie Fisher
Reading Isaiah 7.10-16 (p692) and Matthew 11.2-11 (p976)

Sunday 15 December "A COMING KINGDOM"
 9am Holy Communion, 10.30 Morning Worship by Andrew Young
Readings: Isaiah 35.-10, (p719) Matthew 3.1-12 (p967)

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Prayer at Christ Church

We know that God answers prayer, and we would love to pray for you too. You can ask for confidential prayer from the prayer ministry team after each 10.30am service, or email prayer@christchurchchineham.org.uk where it will be passed on to a small prayer team. To be added to our public prayer list (below), please email Gill in the office.

OUR PRAYER FOCUS THIS WEEK:

As we continue through Advent spend time each day to be still and reflect on the goodness of God. Zechariah and Elizabeth's prayers were answered after a long time and their son, John, was to be a joy and delight to them but also to many, as a messenger to prepare the people for Jesus. **Pray for Valerie Fisher** as she preaches about this on Sunday and pray that many hearts will be prepared to receive Jesus at this time. **Pray for the many children** who have made Christingles here, at Great Binfields and Four Lanes schools and will do at Messy church on Monday 9th, that the message of God sending His only son to be a light for all the world will be remembered and treasured. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" John 1 v5. **Pray for light to shine** through the General election this coming week and for a clear way forward for our country. **Pray for our Mission Partners this week, Karl and Deb Stone** serving the Lord in Flavel church, Dartmouth and on Sunday 15, **London St Cafe**.

PRAYER AT CHRIST CHURCH

The next prayer meetings will be
**on Sunday 8th December
7-8pm and Monday 16th 8-9pm**
A half hour meditative service of
Morning Prayer is held each
Wednesday from 9.30-10am

A reminder of Christmas services

Sunday 15 Dec - 6pm

...Carol Service

Sunday 22 Dec - 4pm

...Blue Christmas

Monday 23 Dec - 4pm

...Crib Service

Tuesday 24 Dec - 11.15pm

...Midnight Holy Communion

Christmas Day - 10am

...Christmas Family Celebration



CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL!

**Saturday 7 Dec
10-5**

Enjoy the
spectacle of
dozens of

decorated trees from local
community groups and businesses
and vote for your favourite!
Not forgetting of course our
magnificent 5m high tree made of
2,000 pieces of craft – a sight to
behold indeed!

There will also be choirs,
lunches and light refreshments,
crafts tables and more!

*Thank you to those
who've already
delivered Christmas
cards? If you haven't
please consider if you
could help us by
picking up a bundle- if we all do a
few, it will really make a
difference. Pick them up in the
Welcome Area.*



*And while on the subject of cards,
please help us to support our ECO
Church credentials and give just
ONE card to others in the Church
family. Please pin your card on
the special board in the Welcome
Area. Thank you.*

Messy Church Christingle

Come and join us for Christmas
crafts and celebrations – this
includes making your own
Christingle. We'll also be singing
carols and enjoying a simple hot
supper. The fun starts at 3.45.
Would you be free to help us for
an hour at this outreach event?
We will need some helpers for
setting up, clearing, and talking to
parents. We would really
welcome any help in any capacity.
Please speak to Katy or Marg.
Many thanks!

The House of Hope has issued a
seasonal update, which can be
found on the Mission Partner
notice board.

123 Matinee Group meets on Tuesday
10 December for the final time this
year, and has a festive flavour. All are
welcome and you are invited to bring
along a Christmas song, reading or
poem to share with friends. We will
be having the usual seated exercises,
a Christmas quiz, games and
delicious refreshments.

Have you got your ticket for the
Christmas Lunch? It's on Tuesday
17 December from 12.30-3pm. As
well as a delicious two course
Christmas dinner, there will be
Christmas entertainment and a
raffle! Booking is essential –
contact the church office.

*The Christ Church
CHRISTMAS CHOIR
will be singing at the
Carol Service by Candlelight:*

*Sun 15 Dec at 6pm and
also at the*

Blue Christmas service on:

Sun 22 Dec at 4pm

Do come along and hear them!

Rehearsals continue on

*Sunday 8 December at 12.15am and on
Wednesday 11 December at 7.30.*

All welcome. Jean

**Carol singing on the wards with the
Hospital Chaplaincy**
Tuesday 10 December
6:00pm - 8:00pm
The Chapel, Basingstoke and North
Hampshire Hospital

**Sounds of Hope – Christmas Carol
Service.** Friday 6 December at 7.45
All Saints Church, Basingstoke.
Rebecca and Jonathan Pain will be
performing and would love you to
come and listen to traditional
favourites and some contemporary
carols too!

Jan Markey writes ...

*I've just had a letter through
from Unseen the charity that
my daughter is involved with.
Any donation given to the
Modern Slavery helpline
between 3rd and 10th
December, will be doubled.
In case anyone would like to
donate here is their website
<http://www.unseen.org/BigGive>
2019*

A Rocha, the Christian organisation
behind the Eco Church project are
delighted to announce that Southampton
District is one of the two first Methodist
districts to register as Eco districts. This
demonstrates the inter-denominational
level of the project and is very good news
indeed!

Basingstoke Ladies Choir Christmas Concert

*Saturday 14 December 7pm
All Saints Church, Basingstoke
Tickets £5*

*Email: magsbaz@ntlworld.com
Tel: 01256 325457*

*All proceeds to Home Start, supporting
families in the Basingstoke area.*