

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**  
***Please inform Kathleen if you want anyone included in this section or email:***  
office@holycrosschurch.co.uk

**In the parishes:**

friends of Margaret Doak:  
John, Mark and family and Nigel and Jenny

Please contact Kathleen if you would like any names under this section.

**Please pray** for the niece of Diane Sergeant and Linda Morecraft, Vicky Hoy 18 undergoing post op chemo.

**Residential Care, Nursing Homes and Hospitals: Kims Hospital, Cygnet Mental Health Unit , 21 Church Lane:** all those

Who live and work at 21 Church Lane

**Residential Care:** Doris Corbett,  
Myrtle Clare,

**Barty House:** Ted White

**Pilgrims Nursing Home:** Joan Faulkner

**LVCourt Nursing Home:** Marjorie Cork

**Bower Mount Road:** Doreen Croucher

**Staplehurst Manor Nursing Home:**  
Marjorie Gibson

**Otterbourne View Nursing Home, Winchester:** Lorna Humphrey

**Deceased:**

**The families and friends of those whose anniversaries fall:** Phyllis Treserden, Les Wilton, Ronald Gussin, David Sayer, Arthur Maude, Neville Gibson, Michael Gadd, Cherie Parkinson, Leonard Tate, Lancelot Monckton, Arthur O'Connell



**NORTH DOWNS TEAM MINISTRY**

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**Epiphany 3**

**23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022**

**8am Eucharist**  
**9.30am Eucharist**  
**3.00pm Joint Service**  
**Week of prayer for Christian unity**

**Masks are required by law at all the services**

**Daily Morning Prayer**

Monday-Thursday – 9am

<https://zoom.us/j/99035645865?pwd=NWNGK1FCSHdVYklORFFrK3EzZU1wZz09>

Meeting ID:990 3564 5865Passcode: 624122

**Presentation of Christ**

**30<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**8am Eucharist**  
**9.30am Eucharist**  
**3.00pm Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

**Diary**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

9.45-11.45am Toddler Group

2.00pm Music Group

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January**

9.45-11.45am Toddler Group

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

2.00pm Friday Club in church room

## **8am Eucharist**

Presider/Preacher: Anthony Hirst

Reading: Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10 – Ann Waddams

## **9.30am Eucharist**

Presider: John

Preacher: Ann Harrison

Reading: Nehemiah 8: 1-2, 5-6, 8-10 – Julie Osborn

Gospel reading: Luke 4: 114-21

Hymns: SOP: Intro: 176, Grad: 289,

Pre Comm: 12, Comm: 196, Final: 179

Anthem: O sing Joyfully : Batten

## **3.00pm Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service**

### **NOTICES**

#### **1. Friday Club**

Friday Club has re started and is held every month in the church room 2pm. The next one is on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January then Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February. If you know of anyone who would like to attend please give Maria Woods a ring on Md. 630515

She is also short of drivers – if you are able to help collect and pick up to and from the Church please give Maria a ring.

#### **2. Marriage Service**

The 'In Celebration of Marriage Service' is being held on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 9.30am Holy Cross Church. If you have a significant wedding anniversary and would like to be remembered at this service please sign the list at the back of church.

#### **3. Children's Society**

I should like to start collection in the Children's Society boxes during January (this will be the usual spring collection). I would be very grateful if you could bring in your box to church, or drop it off at my house, or if neither of those is possible, I will collect it from you if you let me know. My telephone number is on the bottom of your box. Let's make it a good collection in these more difficult times. Thank you Jill

#### **4. Hearing Aid**

Hearing Aid found in church during the Christmas period please contact the vicar

## **5. Flowers at Holy Cross New Rota for 2022**

A huge thank you to all those who have contributed so generously both in time and money towards the flowers in church during 2021.

The rota for giving flowers for 2022 into 2023 is now at the back of church.

We rely entirely on donations to the flower fund to finance all the flowers in church throughout the year, no costs come from general church funds. Please consider if you would be able to donate flowers for one week of the year. This can be an ideal opportunity to remember a loved one or to celebrate a special anniversary or birthday and at the same time to allow others to enjoy your flowers. I am sometimes asked how much should be donated; this is a very personal matter and we would be pleased to arrange flowers whatever the donation but it may be helpful for you to know that we usually spend around £15. Where possible we are very happy to work to special request e.g. colours or types of flowers. Any remaining money is put towards flowers for weeks when there is no donation and for Festivals. If you would like to arrange your own flowers you would be most welcome. Please add your name or contact Kathleen on 01622 631530 or email [office@holycrosschurch.co.uk](mailto:office@holycrosschurch.co.uk). She is usually at church on Monday and Thursday and will add your name to your chosen date if it is available.

Thank you. Joan Curtis, 737551

## Prayer for Afghanistan

Come, Jesus...  
Come, our Saviour,  
come to all the people in Afghanistan,  
in this bleakest of winters.  
Come, with food and water,  
to feed the hungry and refresh the thirsty ones.

Come, once a child yourself,  
come to the children and the babies,  
when so many cry with hunger pangs  
and parents would give everything to feed them.

Come, the peace bearer,  
come and bring your shalom to this land  
after forty years of brutal war.  
Come to those displaced and uprooted,  
to a people fearful and vulnerable to violence.

Come, the light in our night,  
come to families cold and shivering,  
when infection passes from one to another,  
while the economy is broken,  
and creation groans in pain.

For all people, of all faiths,  
to all children of every family,  
in all the places where mothers weep and children  
cry,  
come, God made vulnerable flesh,  
to touch your world with true hope once more.

Turn our sorrow at the suffering of children,  
and our determination that hate will not win,  
into something we can do.  
Take the money we give and the prayers we  
pray,  
and stir in us, and in all your people,  
whatever is needed for a new world to come.

From the depths of a bitter winter,  
may hope spring.

Amen