

St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

Epiphany 2/Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Sunday 19th January 2025

THIS WEEK:

Sunday 19th January (Week of Prayer for Christian Unity)

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10am: All Age Holy Communion

3pm: Baptism of Matilda Burke

6pm: Choral Evensong

(welcoming the choir of St James, Shere, along with Ecumenical friends from the village as we celebrate the Week of Prayer. The Preacher will be Revd Dave Burt from Cranleigh Baptist Church)

Monday 20th January

10am: Sewing and Knitting Group (in church rooms)

Tuesday 21st January

10am: Elmbridge Communion

12noon: Holy Communion by extension (BCP)

Wednesday 22nd January

9.30am: Toddler Praise (in church rooms)

Thursday 23rd January

10am: Time for Prayer - 30 minutes led prayer with themed music

Friday 24th January

10am: MU Communion

10am: Little Nic's Baby and Toddler Group (in church rooms)

Sunday 26th January (3rd Sunday of Epiphany)

8am: Holy Communion (CW)

10am: Parish Communion

11.30am: Discovery Service

COLLECT:

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

or

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION:

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 12.1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one

Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

GOSPEL READING: John 2.1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

INTRODUCTION TO THE PEACE:

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

SEASONAL PREFACE:

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God,

through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:
for at this time we celebrate your glory
made present in our midst.
In the coming of the Magi
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.
In the waters of baptism
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,
the Saviour sent to redeem us.
In the water made wine
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.
Therefore with all the angels of heaven
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

BLESSING

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing . . .

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer The Church in the Province of the West Indies
- In the Diocese for Revd William Davie as he begins his new ministry in Bramley and Grafham
- In the Parish for our volunteers who run Trackers, and for the children who attend

National and World Affairs:

- For the ceasefire due to come into effect between Israel and Hamas, for the safe return of hostages and for the delivery of aid to Palestine.
- For peace in the world, for an end to hostility in the Middle East, Ukraine and Russia and South Sudan. And for stability in Syria
- For all affected by the wildfires around Los Angeles

Community and Family:

- For those who live in Elmbridge Road and Elm Park
- For our bellringers.

The Sick and those in Need:

- Helen Allen, Jane Bloss, Claire Curry, Jean Dodd, Jane Hancock, Tricia Hislop, Jack Lewis, Jean Quallington, Val Thorogood, Val, Jeremy Watts, Elizabeth Weller
- (And for those with long-term prayer needs): Baby Atticus and his
 parents Clare and Alex, Neil Charman, Annie Cotterill, David, Peggy
 Davis, Stella Goldsmith, James Goudie, Jane, Bryn Jones, Kirsty, Lottie
 Lack, Amy Loveless, Sheila McSorley, Mo, Judy Murdoch, Libby
 O'Brien, Brian Pettyfer, Sheelagh Poole, Ron Reynolds, Peggy
 Ringshall, Martin Root, Steff Shepherd, Sheila Smith, Dolores
 Spurgeon, Bert Steed, Marilyn Wood

The Departed:

 All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years, and especially at this time Felicity Isaac and Ann Nuttall

WEEKLY NOTICES:

IGNITE MOVIE NIGHT Next Sunday 26th of January we'll have another Ignite Movie Night at 5pm in the Church, all tweens and teens are most welcome for a fun movie to start off the new term! Snacks will be provided!

MENS GROUP Our Men's Group meets once a month to share food, enjoy social time together and have good conversations together! Our next meeting is Friday 7th of February at 7pm! This time we'll be hosted by Mike who is providing us with a Lasagna a la Springfields (let us know if you have any allergies/dietary requirements). Please do let erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk know if you'd like to have more information and if you want to sign up. Each night we have about 15-20 men of all ages, so whatever your age, you will be very welcome!

ECO CHURCH STALL Cranleigh CofE Primary are holding an event for the children on Friday 7th March 2pm to mark the end of their Wildlife Week. We are going to have a table there to do some activities with the children, and would be grateful for some volunteers, either from the Eco Church team, or the wider church community, to help us. Please let Nicola know if you can help nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

CONFIRMATION CLASSES If you or your child would like to make a deeper commitment to the Christian faith, why not join for our confirmation classes this Spring? Or if you'd just like to explore questions around faith but are not quite sure yet if you'd like to do confirmation, you are most welcome to come along as well! We're hoping to have a group both for teenagers and for adults, and are looking at about five meetings on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday nights at 7.30pm (for both groups but at different weeks). If you haven't been baptised yet, we'd be delighted to baptise you at the Confirmation Service that we're planning for soon after Easter (exact details will follow).

<u>HABERDASHERY AND CRAFT ITEMS NEEDED</u> After a successful day of sales at the Rectory Fete last year, we need to build up our stock again! If you are clearing out and have any haberdashery or crafting items we would be

pleased to take these off your hands! Donations can be brought to the church office, or to the Monday sewing and knitting group. Thank you. Jane Etherington.

ANNE NUTTALL the family of Anne Nuttall are sad to share the news of her death on Sunday 5th January. Anne lived in Cranleigh for almost 40 years. She was married to Geoff Nuttall, former Chief executive of Waverley Borough Council. Her funeral will take place on Friday 31st January, 1pm, in church.

SEWING GROUP Join us for fun and friendship every Monday morning in St Andrews room 10am-12noon. No previous experience of sewing or knitting is needed so do come along and have a go, or just come along and enjoy a warm drink and good company! Everyone is welcome.



MOTHERS UNION: We have a thriving Mothers' Union which meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Anyone is most welcome – contact Jane Etherington on 01483 274319 / etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk for more information



DONATIONS: You can make an online donation in support of church funds by visiting the <u>website</u>, clicking on the red button or scanning the QR code.



KEEP IN TOUCH:

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Do you have a question about faith or the church? Or would you just like to get to know us better? Roy and Erik are always very happy to meet for a cup of coffee, tea, or a pint, just get in touch with us using our contact details above!