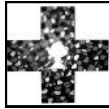


19th November 2017



Notes and News
Christ Church
Milton-next-Gravesend

A warm welcome to any visitors worshipping with us this morning. Please make yourself known to one of the clergy or the people who greeted you at the door.

Looking Ahead

21st Nov	Experience Christmas starts
23rd Nov	
2.00 pm	Pilgrim Course
7.30 pm	Pilgrim Course
26th Nov	Christ the King
8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am	Family Communion
3rd Dec	Advent Sunday
8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am	Family Communion
4.00 pm	Christingle Service (come from 3.30 pm)
7th Dec	Pilgrim Course pre-Christmas Social event
9th Dec	
9.30 am	Working party
10th Dec	
8.00 am	Holy communion (said)
10.00 am	All Age Service
12th Dec	
6.30 pm	Semiquavers Concert
13th Dec	
1.45 pm	First Steps Service

Derek and family would like to thank everyone for their cards and words of comfort at their recent loss and to thank all those who attended Joan's funeral. She would have been very proud.
Thank you all, Derek.

MANY THANKS

to those who organised our recent Christmas Bazaar, to all who ran stalls and games and served refreshments, to everyone who donated items for the stalls and to everyone who came and spent their money.

We made the amazing sum of

£2,460

well done everyone!!

Holy Communion	Tuesday 7.00 am	Wednesday 10.00 am	Thursday 7.00 am
	Saturday 8.00 am		
Morning Prayer	Monday 8.00 am at	Christ Church	
Morning Prayer	Tuesday 8.00 am at	St. Aidan's Church	
Evening Prayer	Wednesday 5.15 pm at	Christ Church	
Morning Prayer	Thursday 8.30 am at	Holy Family Church	
Evening Prayer	Friday 5.15 pm at	Holy Family Church	



CHRISTINGLE
Sunday 3rd December
4.00 pm

Invitations and collection candles are at the back of the church. Please take one for your children and grandchildren and bring it back to the Christingle service.


Please start arriving from 3.30 pm to take part in activities in the church hall before the service.



Would you please save the foil dishes from individual fruit pies and leave them at the back of the church.

We use them to stand the oranges on at Christingle.

Thank you

semi avers **Concert**
on
Tuesday 12th December
at
6.30 pm

Tickets priced at £4 for adults, children are free, are available from Gill Campbell in church or 'phone her on 01474 534517



Please come along and enjoy the concert.

Nat King Cole Tribute Show
on
Sunday 26th November
in
St. Aidan's Church Hall

Doors open at 7.00 pm
 Show starts at 7.30 pm

Tickets priced at £15 from Jenny or Dave on 01474 352253
Raffle and refreshments

Sanctuary

(helping the homeless in Gravesham)

Sanctuary have applied to a number of sources of funding for a new laundry facility they want to build. One is through the Aviva Community Fund. The way it works is, people can vote for a variety of projects on the Aviva website, with the one attracting the most votes getting the funds.

If you have internet access please will you support them, it only takes a few minutes. You need to vote by midday on 21st November by logging on to <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-309>

“Experience Christmas”



6 Interactive displays illustrating the Christmas story will be up in the church **between 21st November and 18th December** ... these are thought-provoking and prayerful for both children and adults.

Many schools will be coming in class by class. In addition, the church will be open for personal reflection at the following times - just drop in and make your way round in your own time.



Saturday 25th November 10 am—1 pm
Wednesday 6th December 10.30 am—12.30 pm
Sunday 17th December 3.30 pm—5.30 pm



On Saturday 2nd December at 10.30 am there will be a guided journey round the displays for adults, as part of our Advent preparation—this will last about one hour.

1. **HELPERS** — Please come to **church tomorrow at 6.30 pm** for a training meeting.
2. Please continue to sign up and fill in vacant places
3. If you have offered items for the displays, please get them to the church at 9.30 am on Monday.



Thank you to everyone who has offered help of any kind..



The next Pilgrim Course meetings will be on Thursday 23rd November at 2.00 pm at Anne's, 43 Park Avenue and at 7.30 pm at The Vicarage.

We are studying “Church and Kingdom” and the subject for this week is “Treading lightly on the earth”.



Christmas Wish List

Christmas chocolates
Christmas luxury biscuits
Coffee and hot chocolate
Christmas pudding
Stuffing mix/gravy mix
Custard and brandy sauce
Treats and sweets
Long life fruit juice

Deodorants, men's shaving items
Shampoo
Luxury bubble baths/ shower gel

Also always needed

Rice
Tinned fruit
Tinned meat
Peanut butter

At present they do not require

Baked beans
Tea
Pasta
Soup

Thank you for your continued support.



The annual service
to commemorate

St. Andrew
will be held on
Thursday 30th November
at 11.00 am
in
St Andrew's Mission
Church/Art Centre
Bawley Bay
Royal Pier Road

Everyone is welcome to attend

Local residents have started an on line petition to try to have Whitehill Road and Sun Lane made into a one way traffic system.

At peak times the traffic is so heavy that it is often at a standstill and due to parked vehicles, drivers are often tempted to drive on the pavement, causing danger to pedestrians.

If you would like to see a change please sign the petition at the back of the church or go online and sign the ePetition.

<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mgEPetitionDisplay.aspx?id=347>

Gluten free Communion wafers are available at every service—please have a word with the Churchwardens or Clergy if you would like to receive gluten free wafers.

Items for the news sheet should be sent to juliehill34@aol.com or left on the clip in the lobby

Items for the website should be sent to christchurchgravesend.org.uk

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