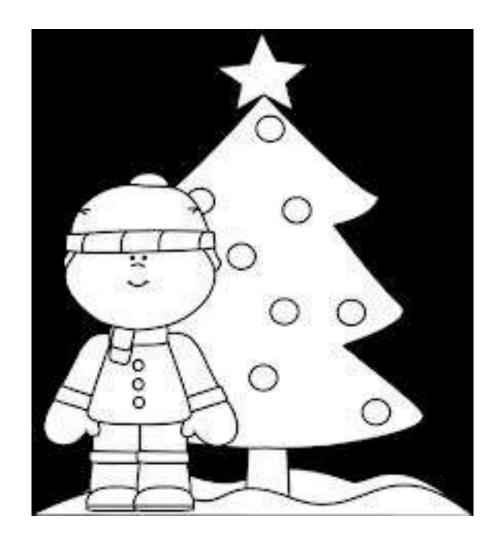
# Outlook

Hughenden Parish Magazine St Michael and All Angels



December 2012/January 2013

### **Welcome to Your Church**

The fact that you are reading these words suggests that you are a new reader of this magazine. Either you are a newcomer to this area or you are a visitor.

If you are a visitor, we hope that you have enjoyed your visit to our church; that you have found it interesting, instructive and conducive to prayer. If you are going to be here at one of our regular service times, we hope that you will join us in the worship of God and we ask that you take our greetings back to your own church.

If you are new to this Parish, we bid you welcome and invite you to join us and share in the fellowship of God's family in Hughenden. This magazine gives details of the regular times of worship here. We hope that you will find something to meet your spiritual needs. The printed word is cold and remote and we would like to make personal contact with you, so please leave your name and address in the box at the back of the church.

Whoever you are who reads these words, may God bless you, sustain you and protect you, your family and friends, now and always.

### **Outlook**

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#### **Dear Readers**

In September we spent two weeks in La Gomera, an island in the Canaries. Every night I would look up at the clear sky, lit with thousands, no millions, of stars. La Gomera does not suffer from light pollution so the various constellations were very easy to see. I am not very good at naming these, but I do know Orion and there he was, striding



out across the heavens, his belt sparkling and his sword arm held high. Each evening the moon slowly climbed up from the horizon, getting larger as the week went on. In the second week there was a full moon which, at around 11pm, made a silvery path across the sea. The words 'God's in His heaven, all's right with the world', came into my head.

We have just come back from a week in Anglesey in North Wales. Once again the views around us were stunning – the autumn colours and tumbling rivers as we drove through Bettys-y-Coed and the magnificence of the mist-shrouded mountains. On the Sunday morning, the mountains of Snowdonia covered in snow, sparkling in the sunshine, were an awe-inspiring sight. Once again, I could hear the words 'God's in His heaven, all's right with the world'.

If only it was. There is so much unrest and turbulence at the moment. There is nothing wrong with God's world, but an awful lot needs to be done to sort out man's treatment of it and of his fellow man.

On a lighter note, as I write Christmas is drawing closer and many will be preparing cards for posting. This little story was sent to me. A lady goes to the post office to buy stamps for her Christmas cards. She says to the clerk, 'May I have 50 Christmas stamps?' The clerk says, 'What denomination?' The lady replies, 'Heaven help us. Has it come to this? Give me 22 Catholic, 12 Presbyterian, 10 Lutheran and 6 Baptists.'

On behalf of the Editorial Team, may thank all those who have contributed to *Outlook* during the past year and I wish everyone a blessed and peaceful Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

### From the Vicarage December 2012 - January 2013

Back towards the end of October a group from the Church (about 50) attended a parish weekend in the beautiful setting of Ashburnham place in Sussex. Getting there was dreadful, it was a terrible journey for virtually everyone on a Friday afternoon and evening when the weather was appalling. There seemed to be a universal gridlock on the road networks of the South East; some people took five hours to do a journey which could have taken a little over two on a good day. However, once installed all had a great time and Sunday afternoon when we returned home

I was charged with giving a couple of talks on the Saturday morning. Last year when the event was being thought up I had the idea of using these talks to look at some difficult themes which perhaps we ignore. These are the themes that in the past were traditionally looked at during Advent when the thinking centered on eschatology. Eschatology basically means the 'last things.' In Christian thinking these are death, judgement

came around all too quickly.

heaven and hell. It was those themes that I talked about. They were challenging and interesting talks to produce and I was very grateful for the generous feedback I had about them. I was glad of the opportunity to do this as in most people's minds Advent inevitably means the countdown for Christmas. Please don't misunderstand; Christmas is of course to be celebrated and enjoyed for the major

festival that it is. After all, we are rejoicing in something wonderful and unique, the arrival of God in an extraordinary and special way in and as a vulnerable human

being. As I have written before though, Christmas is the beginning not the end of something, the Baby grew up! It is the adult Jesus whom we seek to follow and it all leads of course to Good Friday and Easter, the Death and the Resurrection. There are big questions following those events; if Jesus has come to save us, what does he save us for? And what does he save us from? My talks were attempts to answer some of those Advent questions.

As a part of the Weekend, on the Sunday morning, Mike Dean led us in a very interesting exercise. In the light of these difficult questions we were asked to think about an 'elevator speech.' Basically we were to imagine being in a lift with someone who asked us to explain, in the time it took for the lift to go to the top of a building, what it was we believed in as Christians and why? Some great ideas came out of this and some very interesting conversation. It was a useful and challenging exercise. I had made a stab, not so much to produce a speech, rather more of a 'creed'. I have been asked to reprint this in Outlook this month. It is not definitive, it is simply where I have got to - it goes like this.

I believe that the universe is not here by accident, but because of God. As human beings we are designed to know and relate to God.

I believe that it is self evident that there is something wrong in the world and in me, a rebellion against God's purposes and because of this our relationship with God is damaged and broken.

I believe that God loves us and passionately longs to restore this

broken relationship.

I believe that in Jesus, God shows us his solution. In Jesus we see what God is like, close up in human form. To see him at work is to see God at work.

I believe that Jesus' death on the Cross is as important as his life.

I believe that because of the Cross we can know that Jesus himself has suffered and fully understands our pain, that he taken upon himself the full consequences of our rebellion and has made the way open for forgiveness and the restoration of a relationship with God.

I believe that nothing could defeat the love of God, and that after he died on the Cross, by the power of God Jesus was raised from the dead.

I believe that Jesus' resurrection is the beginning of a whole new order of creation that will ultimately lead to a whole new heaven and earth. I believe that as Jesus was raised from the dead, we too shall be raised to be a part of that new creation. I believe that we are to live our lives making a difference in the world now in the hope of the resurrection then.

I believe that we are not alone as we seek to do this. God is with us by the same Holy Spirit that Jesus promised to all his followers.

I do hope that readers of Outlook have a very joyful Christmas and a happy new year, and also a purposeful Advent as perhaps you consider some of these questions for yourself. If you are on email I would be pleased to send you a copy of my talks. My address is <a href="mailto:simon.cronk@talktalk.net">simon.cronk@talktalk.net</a>. I will also endeavour to put them on the web site: <a href="https://www.hughendenparishchurch">www.hughendenparishchurch</a>. org.uk.

Simon



### REMEMBRANCE

'At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.'

Two senior officers of the Royal Air Force, killed in action since the end of the Second World War, were remembered in our prayers on Remembrance Sunday. **Wing Commander Nigel Elsdon** and **Squadron Leader Garry Lennox** died within days of each other in January 1991, during the First Gulf War, commonly known as 'Operation Desert Storm,' just days after the conflict began on the 16<sup>th</sup> January. Both were on demanding flying exercises, known as 'defence suppression' [of the enemy air defence systems], considered to be one of the most dangerous missions to fly and both were senior officers. They died alongside their navigators.

**Wing Commander Thomas Nigel Charles Elsdon** was aged 39 years. His rank was probably an acting rank because he had just assumed command of No 27 Squadron in January 1991. He was the highest ranking RAF Officer to die in that War. On the night of the 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> January 1991, he and his navigator, Flight Lieutenant Max Collier,

were tasked with a four-ship JP233 airfield denial attack on and about 15 nautical miles north east of Shaibah AB, in Iraq. Theirs was the second Tornado to be lost in that War. In order to deliver the weaponry to target, it was necessary to fly at a particularly low altitude and they attacked in the face of intense surface to air defences. They made their target but the aircraft came down. Theirs was the only Tornado to be lost during this kind of sortie. Initially, they were both posted as "missing", but the cruel truth emerged at the end of the War in March 1991, when Prisoners of War were released.

Squadron Leader Garry Kirkwood Stewart Lennox was aged 34 years. He died with his navigator, Flight Lieutenant Adrian Weeks, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1991. They were serving with No 16 Squadron. Sqn Ldr Lennox was on a bombing mission, attacking the radar installation at Ar Rutbah, adjacent to the Ar Rumaylah airfield in Iraq. His aircraft crashed into the ground during a particularly difficult manoeuvre in the attack. This was a night attack and theirs was in the first of two formations delivering 1000 lb bombs to target. The weather was good and visibility excellent and the attack was successful. As the formation pulled away a fireball was observed on a hillside. As Squadron Leader Lennox and Flight Lieutenant Weeks did not return to base, they were presumed dead. Subsequently, when the area fell to the Coalition Forces, the crash site was found. The cause of the crash could not be determined. An Iraqi claim that a MIG-29 shot it down was dismissed as groundless upon examination of the evidence.

He is buried in the Ancient Parish of Kirkby Wharfe. His widow, Anne, subsequently became a leading figure in the RAF War Widows' organisation.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

I am most grateful to Tom Hamilton and John White for most of the above information. John knew both officers personally, serving alongside them, himself later taking command of No 16 Squadron. Now that I have collected together all the full names, ranks and details of all those who should be on our Memorial Plaques and take all responsibility for any errors, I shall produce a pamphlet with all the information that I have in it for the Church and for those who come to see our Memorials, graves and memorabilia and those who come

to visit our Church. I know that there are members of our congregation who either are related to our Fallen or knew them and can add to the information that I have. May I invite any who read this to contact me and add to the histories that we will keep in perpetuity.

Last, but by no means least, may I publicly acknowledge and thank those organisations and individuals who have so generously given of their time and have assisted invaluably:

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission <a href="https://www.forces-war-records.co.uk">www.forces-war-records.co.uk</a> <a href="https://www.buckinghamshireremembers.org.uk">www.buckinghamshireremembers.org.uk</a> <a href="https://www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance">www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance</a> <a href="https://www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance">Helen Byrne</a> <a href="https://www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance">Brian Clark</a> <a href="https://www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance">Group Captain Thomas Elliot Hamilton, Rtd.</a> <a href="https://www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance">Wing Commander Darrell Hamley, Rtd.</a> <a href="https://www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance">Wing Commander Darrell Hamley, Rtd.</a> <a href="https://www.ctbi.org.uk/remembrance">Dr. Jonathan Lane, BSc, PhD, FCMI</a>

Group Captain John White CBE, FRAeS, RADF, Rtd.



**Christopher Tyrer** 

### **Floodlighting Dedications**

Floodlighting dedications received too late for inclusion in the November magazine were for:

21 – 27 October	Ann & Hugh McCarthy are celebrating and giving thanks for their Golden Wedding on
	27 October.
11 – 17 November	Rosemary Petty wishes to give thanks for a successful knee replacement operation and to thank Simon, Helen and all her friends at Hughenden Church for their kindness and support.
18 – 24 November	Giving thanks for strong Christian marriage.
25 November – 2 December	Alison Stacey and family are remembering with much love Rod, particularly on 29

November, his anniversary.

A dedication for December is for:

16 – 22 December Rosemary Hewitt & family give thanks for 100

years of life of Rosemary's mother Rosetta Cox and remember her with much love and

treasured memories, particularly on 17

December, her first anniversary.

23-29 December Janet Palmer is remembering with much

love her Aunt Mae Braga, especially at

Christmas time.

30 December –

19 January

Janet Palmer is remembering with love and thanksgiving her mother Leonora Thomas, particularly on 13 January, her birthday.

If you have special occasions to mark, why don't you dedicate the flood-lighting? Your dedication can be for anything within reason, remembering loved ones, birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, new babies - or just for the joy of being alive!

Lin Smit

### A Thank you from Heidi

Norman and I found Hughenden Church almost 22 years ago where we have experienced a wonderful church life with a sincere and most caring congregation.

Norman has had the great fortune to live to a good age and we are grateful to the NHS and excellent medical care. But most of all we have been sustained by the prayers of so many of our dear friends at the time of Norman's problems. In his own words he has never "suffered", just accepted the unavoidable fate and enjoyed the blessings of family and nature and all the good things around him until he passed into a peaceful sleep.

My family and myself would like to thank everybody most sincerely for all the help and kindness to Norman and me in so many ways.

Heidi

#### Correction:

In the obituary of the Rev Norman Chalk published in the November *Outlook* it was stated that Heidi had nursed Norman's first wife

through her terminal illness. There was no truth in this whatsoever, and Heidi never knew Norman's first wife.

I apologize for any embarrassment this has caused; and I am sorry that I did not check the veracity of what I had considered to be a reliable source.

**Arthur Johnson** 

#### THE OCCASIONAL WILDER SIDE

2012 has been full of anticipated excitements, until recent weeks which have been spoilt by a series of scandals which look as if they will rumble on into 2013. But closer to home we have been able to rejoice in Helen's 'Priesting', and some of us were able to experience the uplift and enjoyment of the wonderfully organised Church weekend at Ashburnham.

Looking back on my recent wildlife highlights, I remember with amazed delight the swarm of Swallows and House Martins (50, possibly 80 of them – very hard to count) on the Church roof just before the '9 o'clock' on Sunday 16 September. The roof was smothered in an excited and twittering mass, then they all took off and the sky seemed to be full of these little birds; several times landing and flying was repeated. I likened it to a 'Pre-flight Briefing': "Now, Kids, just steer 180°, rest and refuel in Spain, try and avoid the Sahara and South Africa awaits you. Good Luck and see you back here next April".

An exotic creature on the lawn was thumb length, white with long hairs and four mini-shaving brushes on its back, a red tail and large 'eyes'. Yes, a caterpillar of the boring Pale Tussock Moth. Why be so beautiful and then so dull? – and it doesn't even know it is beautiful! Egg, caterpillar, pupa then birth as a moth: what a weird and complex life cycle

Trees are topical for all the wrong reasons; pestilence and decay in Ash, Oak and Larch. This got me thinking on which was my favourite tree – I decided it was the Hornbeam, though don't ask me why. And what might yours be?

Wild wishes for a Very Happy Christmas and a flourishing New Year!

### Real Easter Eggs

It might seem somewhat previous, as we approach Advent, to be thinking about next Easter. However, it will approach only too quickly next year with Easter Day being celebrated on



31st March. 2013. We have had an e.mail to that effect from the Real Easter Egg organisers, reminding us of the date and also giving us - and you - an update on how the cause has been supported.

The campaign is in its third year and we at Hughenden should be proud of the way we've supported it from its inception. Over 200,000 eggs have been sold altogether (not just by us) and although supermarkets are reluctant to respond, churches continue to keep up the good work, with over £40,000 being raised from the sale of these eggs. With each purchase, a donation is made via Traidcraft to support some of the poorest farmers in the world and we hope that you would like to continue supporting this scheme.

This coming year the eggs will include an activity pack which includes the Easter story, an activity poster and a free iTunes download (don't ask us what that means as we have no idea) and a sticker set. Each egg will cost £3.99 which includes a Traidcraft donation. There will be free delivery on orders of above 12 if we send in our requests before 11th February, so please look out for our handouts, paperwork etc as soon as Christmas is over.

The parish has responded magnificiently to this scheme since we took it on board two years ago, and we look for your continued support to help make this third year a successful ongoing operation.

George and Judy Wilson

### On the Table

The table in question is the Holy Table, more commonly called The Altar. On it, day in and day out (except Good Friday and Holy Saturday) there hangs a frontal, and of the liturgical colour appropriate to the church year, with a super-frontal overhanging it at the top. Here at Hughenden we are fortunate to have seven: gold, white, red, dark purple and bright purple, plus two Victorian frontals which we use in 'Ordinary time' to count for green (though they have no green to speak of in them). The white is now in a very frayed

state and must be replaced. We should also like to construct a properly green frontal, more in keeping with 21st century church furnishings.

As well as the frontal there are other items to match; but the frontal and superfrontal constitute the main bulk of the material in each case. The material will not be cheap: we were fortunate in obtaining the gold material for an end-of-roll price of £700 some fifteen years ago. We shall also hope to recruit someone who can take the job on, if possible at the cost of expenses only. Volunteers should promote themselves and step forward forthwith.

Until we get going on the project, it continues to be funded entirely from profits raised at the Festival Eucharist suppers. It has also lately had a donation of £50. An appeal will be launched when we get going. Meanwhile......

On the table on New Year's Day – this table being in Church House – there will be a New Year's Day Luncheon as a major fund-raising start to the venture. For those who are not aware of it, a substantial sum of money was raised by rather grand lunches on several New Year's Days, and less grand monthly lunches over a couple of years for the building of the North Room 1979 - 81.

The Luncheon, as of yore, nominally of four courses, will be nominally £30 per ticket including drinks. Tickets from me. If you are not buying a ticket, you may also volunteer to wait on, prepare a dessert, cook, wash up or simply wipe the chef's brow. The time: 12.45 for 1.15 pm.

Volunteers (as well as ticket purchasers) should promote themselves and step forward forthwith.

**Arthur Johnson** 

### **24/7 PRAYER FOR WYCOMBE**

Our prayer days over the next two months are Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to Friday 8 am. The Prayer Room will be set up in the North Room with all the usual facilities. The cold weather is coming on now so do put the heaters on whilst you are praying and if you leave the Prayer Room empty switch them off.

Provision is made for you to make yourself a hot drink before you leave if you wish. Prayerfully consider signing up for one hour, or part of an hour, in prayer for the town of High Wycombe and for all the ministries that take place there. Wycombe Homeless Connection, Street Angels, Healing on the Streets, Wycombe Youth for Christ, One Can Trust, The Dorcas Project; all these ministries and more need our prayers, especially with the stresses of the Christmas season ahead.

On Wednesday, 17th October, a Prayer for Wycombe Celebration evening was held at St Peter's Church in Loudwater and in spite of the dreadful weather, between 35 and 40 people turned up for an evening of prayer and worship led by the Worship Leader from the Kings Church. Owing to a prior commitment I was not able to be present but Jane, who is Prayer Co-ordinator at Christ Church in Flackwell Heath, very kindly briefed me on the events of the evening. This included praying together, breaking into small groups to pray for friends and family who don't yet know the Lord and ministering to those who are hurting. Three areas for prayer emerged quite strongly – the need to pray for our leaders (in our own Churches and for leaders in the town), the need for encouraging more prayer for 24/7 and a call to greater intimacy with our Heavenly Father. Only from that place are we able to share God's love with those who don't know him.

As the next *Outlook* comes out in February, any other dates that may be of interest will appear in the Church Notices. Further information available from Simon (563439), Jacky (07921 258822) or Yvonne (563960)

**Yvonne Cook** 

### **Multiple Sclerosis Society**

The High Wycombe and District Branch of the Multiple Sclerosis Society held their annual Ploughman's Lunch and Mini Bazaar on Saturday 3rd November at Hughenden Valley Village Hall. A total of £580.00 was raised on the day.

We would like to thank everyone who attended our event and supported our much needed fundraising. All the proceeds will be used to help people with MS in the local area.

Many thanks.

Belinda Peddle, Secretary High Wycombe & District Branch - MS Society, 01494 443917

#### **ASH TREE TRAGEDY**

Will they all die? Will the countryside change forever as Chalara Fraxinia takes its toll of death? In 2005 Ron and I watched helpless as two lovely mature ash trees on the verge in front of our home at Four Ashes were felled. I went out to plead for their lives, but it seemed they were diseased and had been condemned. Were they perhaps early victims of this epidemic now sweeping the UK? Ron wrote this poem: at least they live on in words and memories.

### **Entropy**

Hack and rack the growing green!...........

After-comers cannot guess the beauty been.

From "Binsey Poplars", by Gerard Manley Hopkins

Entropy decrees irreversibility.

I watch them dismantle the ash trees, top down, with surgeon's skill, chainsaw screaming and slicing.

Loved foliage, held in eyes for season's unfolding, now, for a moment pane-framed; now for ever gone.

"Necessary job of work" I'm told, so no occasion for tears.

I recall a movie played backwards for comic effect: a factory chimney dynamited, then re-erected, each brick scuttling to its slot, not a piece out of place.

And I, now desperate to reverse entropy, would set each severed log, every bouquet of still fresh foliage, each fallen leaf, in place to sway again to playful winds. Rescind the rot that carried them away.

Entropy reduces beauty to sawdust. "Four Ashes", our home and designation, is now a misnomer. Only my beachcomber-mind will gather the flotsam of trees strewn on memory's shore by saving seas.

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### **BURNS NIGHT SUPPER**

With Piper and Haggis and a Wee Dram or two at Hughenden Village Hall on Saturday 26 January 2013 at 7.15 for 7.30pm

An Evening of Traditional Scottish fare
with some poetry of Robbie Burns
some traditional music
and much laughter and merriment
Organised and produced by the team from
St Michael and All Angels Church Hughenden
Tickets £20 from Geoff Lovell on 566180
Please note that tickets are limited and strictly sold on a
prepaid and first come first served basis.
(Please bring your own wine and soft drinks)
Profit (if any) for the work and ministry of Hughenden Church

### A Good Read

I have a shelf full of Christmas books and as the time of Advent approaches I linger in front of it, enjoying the pleasurable task of deciding which ones to dip into this time round. The Christmas Mystery by Jostein Gaarder is frequently taken down. It is split into 24 manageable chapters and so offers itself as perfect Advent reading. I've always thought that good books are good books and I dislike separating them into children's books and others. The Christmas Mystery is a perfect example as I have used it successfully with primary school classes but have also found it a satisfying and thoughtful read to have beside my bed during December.

A Christmas Card by Paul Theroux is set in snowy east coast America and takes a sideways approach to a Christmas story. It is slightly eerie and you can almost feel the quietness of a snowy landscape. I suppose Theroux writes what is essentially an allegorical story. It can be read as a short and well composed wintry tale or you can choose to look deeper and find the Christmas truths within it.

I always have time for the writing of Susan Hill and would choose to recommend to you two short Christmas stories of hers. The Glass Angels is a good old fashioned story rich in atmosphere and written with slightly understated emotion, aimed I suppose at a younger audience. Lanterns across the snow is a delight, evoking the memory of a long ago childhood Christmas in Wessex. Hill's writing is deft and confident and this slim paperback would go beautifully with a pot of tea and a slice of rich fruit cake on a quiet afternoon after Christmas! The Christmas Box by Richard Paul Evans is a book that I have used before within my 5 o'clock Christmas Day service (an early advert!) and it seems to be one that can cope with many re readings. Starting from a slightly folksy American point of view, the story ends with a full on and blatant statement of the love for the world manifested by God as he sent his son to earth at that first Christmastide.

And lastly a really wacky Christmas fable that comes in a beautifully presented cloth bound edition published by Faber: Auggie Wren's Christmas Story by Paul Auster. The illustrations are equally weird and the tale at first appears to have little to do with the festive season or Christian beliefs. But it's there, just waiting to be talked about, worked through, considered. If you're looking for something different and thought provoking then this is it.

Happy Christmas reading,

Susan Brice

### **News from Christians in the Community**

It's that time of year again! Soon our members will be coming around with a box of mince pies or something similar to those people who will be alone at Christmas or who are unwell. If there are people who you think would like a visit, please 'phone me.

Our 'Carols by Candlelight' in Naphill Village Hall will be on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm. With mulled wine and mince pies afterwards it should be an enjoyable event. Everyone welcome!

On the following Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> December, we shall be carol singing at The Wheel and simultaneously (but with a different team) at The White Lion, Cryers Hill at approximately 7.45 to 8.30pm. Then at around 9pm we shall be at The Harrow.

Our first Committee Meeting of 2013 will be on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7.30pm – everyone welcome.

Norma Clarke, 563116

### **Bloomsbury in Sussex**

During my holidays I visited Charleston Farmhouse near Alfriston in East Sussex. This was the home of what became known as the Bloomsbury Set, including Clive and Vanessa Bell, Duncan Grant, Virginia Wolf and many



more artists, writers and designers. It is a fascinating place to spend a few hours and the guided tours around the house are highly recommended. The farmhouse has been styled to look as if it is still a home and not a museum, so in the studio it looks and feels as though the artist has just slipped out and will be back soon. After I had enjoyed the wallpapers, painted furniture and ceramic designs that have become very recognisable (and much copied) as Bloomsbury, I visited St Michael and All Angels church, Berwick, just a few miles down the road.

In small Downland churches such as this, there had been a tradition of the extensive use of murals and Bishop Bell of Chichester wanted to revive this practice. In 1941 the Bishop wrote to friend: 'I know that you will rejoice to hear that the plan you suggested of getting Duncan Grant to do a mural for one of the old Sussex churches is coming about...' Berwick was in fact going to be a great experiment and a catalyst for promoting the relationship between the Arts and the Church. Grant's work is influenced by Renaissance Italy and the Impressionists as well as Cezanne and Matisse.

All of this is evident in his huge paintings, particularly the one that covers the whole of the chancel arch. At the top is a suitably majestic depiction of Christ, having offered Himself on the cross, now enthroned in heaven with angels worshipping him. The rest is intriguing and slightly disconcerting. On the right of the arch are Bishop Bell and the incumbent of the time Reverend G Mitchell, whilst on the left are the kneeling figures of a soldier, sailor and airman (real parishioners of the time.) The painting portrays a hierarchy as the servicemen look to the Bishop who is kneeling in prayer. Christ's rule and victory over death is set over a country in the turmoil of a war. Both remembrance and resurrection are symbolised by the poppies in the foreground. The downland landscape forms the background and in true Rennaissance style Grant portrays his patrons.

There is much more! All of it is punctuated by the characteristic Bloomsbury colours of light plaster pink, dove grey and flat pale yellow. If you are in the area the church is well worth a visit, it seems to be open in daylight hours throughout the week. Do go.

PS. If you make it into Alfriston village, just a mile or so away, there is an absolutely delicious bookshop called Much Ado Books. 10-5 Wednesday to Sunday. A delight!

Susan Brice

### **DORCAS PROJECT**

This project has been operating for two and a half years and continues to provide clothing, equipment and toys for vulnerable children of families living in poverty. They receive between five to ten referrals per week and the provision of these packs is only possible

because of donations from members of the community which thus keeps a small army of volunteer packers, washers and deliverers busy.

The 'Dorcas Back to School' during the summer was every bit as popular as last year and 102 children received packs of new school

uniform basics. A huge thank you to all those who contributed to this scheme enabling less fortunate children to start the new school term in brand new uniforms.

With Christmas on the horizon, Dorcas are thinking about their next project. Two years ago they gave out 'Winter Warmer' packs and they have decided to repeat this in January 2013. Each pack will contain a set of new pyjamas, a book, toothbrush and tooth paste and some woolly socks. Planning for this project begins during December and they would appreciate any

project begins during December and they would appreciate any involvement in the practical side of making up packs or fund-raising.

As always, contributions may be left at Holy Trinity Church Office on the Amersham Road. The office is open mornings only and there is a car part adjacent to the Church. The Project's email address is <a href="mailto:dorcasproject@rocketmail.com">dorcasproject@rocketmail.com</a>.

**Yvonne Cook** 

### Communicants - October

Sundays:	Weekdays:	
$7^{th}$ 18 + 43 = 61	18 <sup>th</sup> St Luke 8	3
$14^{th}$ 20 + 65 = 85		
$21^{st}$ $23 + 35 = 58$		
$28^{th}$ 29 + 69 = 98		

### **National Trust Events in December**

Between 1st and 23rd December various events are taking place at Hughenden Manor, including Christmas Pudding tasting, wreath making, readings and the appearance of Father Christmas. There are also several musical events as follows:

7 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> ,	2-3pm	Cookham Handbells
16 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> , 23rd		
8 <sup>th</sup>	12.30-3pm	Allsorts Clarinet
9 <sup>th</sup>	1-3pm	High Wycombe Choir
10 <sup>th</sup>	1.30-2.30pm	Pipers Corner Choir
19 <sup>th</sup>	1-3pm	Saxophone Quartet
22 <sup>nd</sup>	1.30-3.30pm	Bisham Concert Band

The Manor is closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. At present we do not have details of events in January 2013.

Decem	ber's Prayer Topics
4 <sup>th</sup> Stewardship /Finance	<ul> <li>For Ian finding his time released to carry out the position of treasurer.</li> <li>For more of the congregation to use standing orders, to free up more time for the rest of Treasurer's duties.</li> <li>For the congregation to consider what they give to run their church, to stop Treasurer worrying about running at a loss</li> </ul>
10 <sup>th</sup> Village Shop	<ul> <li>For more volunteers to come forward to join the team so that the shop can always be open as advertised</li> <li>That the shop would continue to develop as the hub of Hughenden Valley Community</li> <li>For support for all those elderly and housebound residents that rely on the deliveries from the village shop, and for safekeeping for all those that make the deliveries especially in winter weather</li> </ul>
14 <sup>th</sup> Neighbourh ood Watch/ Local Police	<ul> <li>For speedy recovery from surgery of our local neighbourhood policeman PC Lee Turnham</li> <li>For patience and wisdom between the residents and PC Turnham's colleagues who will be covering his duties whilst he is recovering</li> </ul>
17 <sup>th</sup> Bookstall	<ul> <li>Thanksgiving that people are buying the books, especially the children's books</li> <li>For guidance as Elaine chooses the titles from St. Andrew's to</li> </ul>
	put on the shelves, that she will choose the titles that people will need  - That more people will use the bookstall and the library
22 <sup>nd</sup> Flower Arrangers	- For volunteers to come forward willing to buy a bunch of flowers from a supermarket and put them in a vase in the church, once or twice a year in worship and/or remembrance
	- For a few additional volunteers to join the Festival Flower arrangers, willing to learn some new skills and ensure that our Lord is glorified in floral tributes for all main festivals (no existing skills needed!)
25 <sup>th</sup> Good Companions	- For new people to join in to bring new life to the group so that it can continue to meet and flourish, and hence provide companionship and enjoyment to all its members

Januar	y's Prayer Topics
8 <sup>th</sup> Scouts/ Guides etc.	- For finding new leaders that are able and willing to volunteer their time to keep the movement alive - Strength within leadership teams (at all levels) to make the right decisions based on the needs of the young people, and the beliefs of the movements - Thanks for the existing leaders who devote so much of their spare time offering opportunities for young people to develop into well rounded individuals and good citizens - Thanks for the parents who trust the leaders implicitly with their children
9 <sup>th</sup> Church Cleaners	<ul> <li>That weather conditions across the winter months will not make the cleaners job any more difficult</li> <li>That all Church visitors will respect the building and it's contents and not make unnecessary work for the cleaners, so that they can ensure the church reflects the glory of God during services and special events.</li> </ul>
16 <sup>th</sup> Hughenden Toddlers / Tiny Tots	<ul> <li>For thanksgiving that the move to the new venue at St Michael's has gone smoothly, and the Mum's seem to be settling in well</li> <li>Thanks that the inclusion of Tiny Tot's service into the toddlers Thursday morning time slot has gone well and the Mum's and children seem to enjoy the activity</li> <li>Pray that children and parents/carers can feel very at home in the church building and that good relationships can be built during the Tiny Tots service on third Thursdays</li> </ul>
19 <sup>th</sup> Local Businesses	<ul> <li>Thanksgiving that the last few months at The Harrow have been better than expected and the new Chef is settling in well</li> <li>For the chef's new menus to be accepted by the customers and reaching out to new customers</li> <li>That January/February's business levels reflect the last few months</li> </ul>
21 <sup>th</sup> Friendship Morning	<ul> <li>Give thanks to the people who come – it is an important part of their lives</li> <li>Give thanks for the helpers who care for everyone at Friendship Morning in such a loving way</li> <li>Pray that elderly members continue to manage the long walk up to Church House from the car park</li> <li>Pray that Friendship morning is able to continue to meet as it is such an important service to the members</li> </ul>
28 <sup>th</sup> Deanery	- For the Deanery Confirmation Service at Hughenden on 9 <sup>th</sup> December, for those planning, taking part and for candidates

Synod/
Area Dean

from across the Deanery

- Thanks for Simon's first year as Area Dean, for all he has learnt about himself and the Deanery challenges
- For Simon as he starts his second year as Area Dean, for God's love and blessings to surround him as he continues his ministry into 2013

### **Mothers' Union**

Barbara led our meeting and welcomed several visitors who are interested in joining the branch. Our worship focused on the theme for this year 'Your Gifts - Discover and Celebrate'. We felt that this was very apt as we are coming to the end of several committee members' terms of three years and are asking for members to come forward to be nominated for the positions of leader and correspondent. We gave thanks for the wonderful fellowship we enjoy in Hughenden and how beloved our Branch is by our members.

We had not planned a speaker as the committee felt it was time we had a meeting where members had the chance to have a say on plans for the future. It was decided that we would not organise a Ploughman's Lunch next year but have other fundraising events instead. A decision will be taken at a later date as to whether it is held every two years. It was also decided not to have our New Year social in January as twice recently it has had to be cancelled due to bad weather. We will be organising a lunch outing instead and we will look forward to being waited on!

The cake sale for the garden was very generously supported by the congregations and over £200 was raised. We had also had a lovely surprise when Sheila Niekirk sent a message to say that she would like to give the new table in memory of her brother Tony - Sheila had given the previous table (see note at the end of this report). Many thanks to Sheila for her continued support. We then discussed how we were going to spend the money we had raised. A maple tree has been ordered which will be planted soon to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Compost has also been bought for the garden and it is probable that some shrubs may need replacing. We felt that as the congregations had been so generous in supporting the cake sale, it would be good to use some of the money in supporting outreach in the Church. Mothers' Union is a charity and nearly all the money we raise goes directly to our own charities but we are able to

support such items as baptism gifts for babies and children. In future a small gift will be given along with the card welcoming the child to the Church at baptism.

A few minutes was spent organising our giving for Wycombe Women's Aid at Christmas and also compiling a list of lonely or sick people to distribute Christmas gifts to in the area. Some of us are looking forward to helping out at Christmas Unwrapped, two mornings arranged in Church by the Youth Group for Great Kingshill and Hughenden Schools in December. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered.

Our December meeting is our annual Advent service on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm. Please remember that the collection at the service is for buying the Christmas gifts to distribute in the area.

**Barbara Willson** 

### The Mothers' Union Garden Table

The old wooden table in the MU Garden was given in memory of my brother, Tony, and has now been replaced by a new table. Tony, my elder brother, who died several years ago, had severe learning difficulties. He was very much part of our family until he was about thirty years old, when my mother could no longer look after him. He then had to go into a home for disabled adults, Borrocourt Hospital, at Peppard near Henley. It was apparent that he was unhappy there after living in a family home for many years, but there was no other choice available. However, fortunately for him, after several years at Borrocourt 'Care in the Community' provided him with a much better environment in a small bungalow at Woodley, near Reading, where a group of handicapped people were looked after as a family.

Tony spent his last few years there with his own bedroom instead of the large ward in which he had lived at Borrocourt. He began to speak a few words again for the first time for some years and I was able to visit him freely without feeling threatened by other patients. Tony enjoyed his food! And I felt that a table was appropriate in memory of him, and I am sure that the new one will be well used!

The new table is made from hardwood, so fortunately it does not need any treatment to preserve it.

# Services for children and their families this Christmas

You are all very welcome to come and join us during this Advent and Christmas time

Sunday 2 December, 10.45am Advent themed Family Service



### Sunday 16 December, 10.45am The real CHRISTMAS

All children, their families and friends are invited to join us for this Service of fun and reflection



### Thursday 20 December, 10.30am Tiny Tots Informal Service

There will be a Christmas theme at this service where we have a story, some songs, toys and squash.

### Christmas Eve, 3.00pm Crib Service



Come and hear the nativity story, and help build the crib scene. Especially suitable for younger children

Christmas Day, 10.45am Family Communion Service

Everyone is very welcome to come and celebrate the birth of Jesus

May we wish you a very happy and peaceful Christmas

### **Valley Wives**

'Animal Heroes and Villains of the Great War' was the subject of a slide talk by Edward Dixon at our November meeting. He described how horrendous the living conditions were on the Western Front during the four war years. Flooding and mud halted progress in wet weather, as the transport became bogged down and the men were wet, hungry and cold. In warmer weather there were millions of flies that completely covered everything. They even settled on the sleeping men and caused gastro enteritis by infecting the food rations.

The second villains were the rats that ate everything, even gnawing through the harnesses of the horses. These were a real nuisance to the soldiers. No traps, cats, dogs or poisons had any effect on the rats, as they bred so rapidly.

The third villains were body lice. No-one could escape them as bathing and clean clothes, the only solution, were not available. Some could be squashed by running the thumbs along the seams of the uniforms or carefully running a candle flame along the seams. Freezing the lice was tried by hanging the clothes on a fence over night but was not very successful.

The animal heroes were horses that could function where mechanical transport could not cope. Horses were issued with gas masks and also transferred the wounded to hospital ships in Galipoli. Donkeys helped in the rescue of men off mountains. Camels were used similarly in East Africa and elephants hauled very heavy machinery. Dogs carried messages, found wounded soldiers and guarded military property. We were told three amazing stories of dogs named Fritz, Star and Prince. Every submarine carried three mice because of their sensitivity to smell and they would squeak if there was, for instance, leaking petrol. Canaries in cages were taken down tunnels (21 miles of them) below German lines, to detect fumes that could cause explosions. Pigeons carried messages of great importance, 95% of which got through. Always two pigeons carried the same message.

Thousands of horses were killed in the Great War, but some returned to England and their last duty was to tow the coffin of the Unknown Warrier to Westminster Abbey. In Australia there is a statue to the

Army Veterinary Corps and in Park Lane in London there is a National War Memorial to the animals that died for us.

Mr Dixon said that Remembrance Day poppies were first produced in 1921 and were hand-made, some by war veterans and were only worn from the day before 11th November. 42 million have been made this year. When worn, the poppy leaf is meant to be pointing to the 11th hour. Jo (Hutton) thanked Mr Dixon for a very interesting talk.

Our next meeting on 7th December is a talk by Jennie Rayment entitled 'Tucked up and Twiddled'. The interesting object competition is for an item beginning with the letter B. Mince pies and coffee/tea will be served and new members and guests are welcome.

Joan Steel

### **Good Companions**

On 23rd October a party of members met up at the Black Lion in Naphill for a pre-arranged lunch, an opportunity to escape the kitchen (including the washing up!) and to enjoy a meal in pleasant company.

Our November meeting featured a talk by Peter Smith on the subject of 'National Service'. Joining up in 1953 and serving until 1955 he recounted his experiences, from the humourous to the scarry. For the gentlemen present there were variations on well known themes of service life and a reminder of removal from civilian life (for some from school and home) into, perhaps, the real world not that long after the war.

We are having our customary traditional Christmas lunch at our December meeting. Members attending are reminded to be in their places by 2.00 pm when service of the meal will commence. Our 2013 programme begins with our meeting on 3rd January when we shall welcome Brian Clark who will talk about his experiences working in Russia. Annual subscriptions will be due which remain at £15.00.

For the benefit of readers who do not know who we are, we are a social club for senior citizens and we meet in Hughenden village hall on the first Thursday of the month at 2.15 pm. After our speakers or

entertainers have finished we enjoy a cup of tea and home-made cake. New members are very welcome. Just come along or if you prefer, speak to our secretary Pam Herman on 562019.

**Michael Harris** 

### My Tame Muntjac Deer

One especially wonderful joy for me in my garden in Hughenden Valley is the visits from a sweet little female Muntjac Deer. She has been coming for several years. I knew she was the same animal because she had a large piece missing from her

left ear, probably from an enthusiastic male during mating. I noticed her when I'd been throwing bird food comprising peanuts, sunflower seeds, dried nuts and fruit on to my back patio outside my kitchen. She was obviously pregnant. On my research into these small deer I discovered that they had been brought over from China and kept in a local zoo. They breed several times a year, so when some of them managed to escape, they soon became prolific in the Chilterns.

I decided to get to know her better, so one morning stood at the open patio door while she ate some of the bird food. She didn't run away so next time I went out and lay on my stomach as she was coming down the garden. I kept my head down, avoiding any eye contact, but talked in a low voice to her, having thrown the peanuts and fruit on to the lawn nearby. At that time my little cat was only a kitten and had a habit of sitting on me when I was stretched out so he was sitting on me as I was talking to her. It must have reassured her to see such a young animal trusting me in that way. So little by little she got nearer and after a few days was actually eating out of my hand and even started to chase around with Joey, playing a sort of hide 'n' seek game. Wonderful to watch!

I'm never sure when she is going to visit, but if she is in my garden in the morning and sees me in the kitchen, she comes running up demanding her breakfast. I have a little bowl of her favourite foods all ready for her on the garden room shelf. One day recently she actually put her nose up and touched mine in a sort of Eskimo kiss – I was thrilled as you can understand. Sometimes she brings her new

fawn to see me but it is never allowed to take food from my hand, although it is allowed to have some food if I throw it on to the lawn.

I noticed that lately she has been using my old green house as a warmer sleeping place when the weather is cold or very wet, so I put down some hay in one corner and provide some water and food in case she needs some over night. I'd love it if she gave birth to her latest fawn there. I always pray for her safety and health each day – I love all my birds and animals and get such pleasure from their presence around my home. So watch this space!

**Ann Way** 

**PS:** If you worry about Muntjac eating your plants – just get a box of lion dropping pellets from the garden centre and sprinkle them around. It works, as does a liberal sprinkling of ground pepper.

Editor's note: Muntjacs, also known as Barking Deer, are the oldest known deer, appearing 15-35 million years ago, with remains found in deposits in France, Germany and Poland.

### From the Parish Registers

### Holy Baptism:

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November: Oscar James, son of Thomas and Kirstie Brewer of Valley Road, Hughenden Valley;



Frederick Richard and Alfred William, sons of Stephen and Lucy Newman from Terriers.

### The Departed

Daisy Emma Elizabeth Bloxham, aged 95;

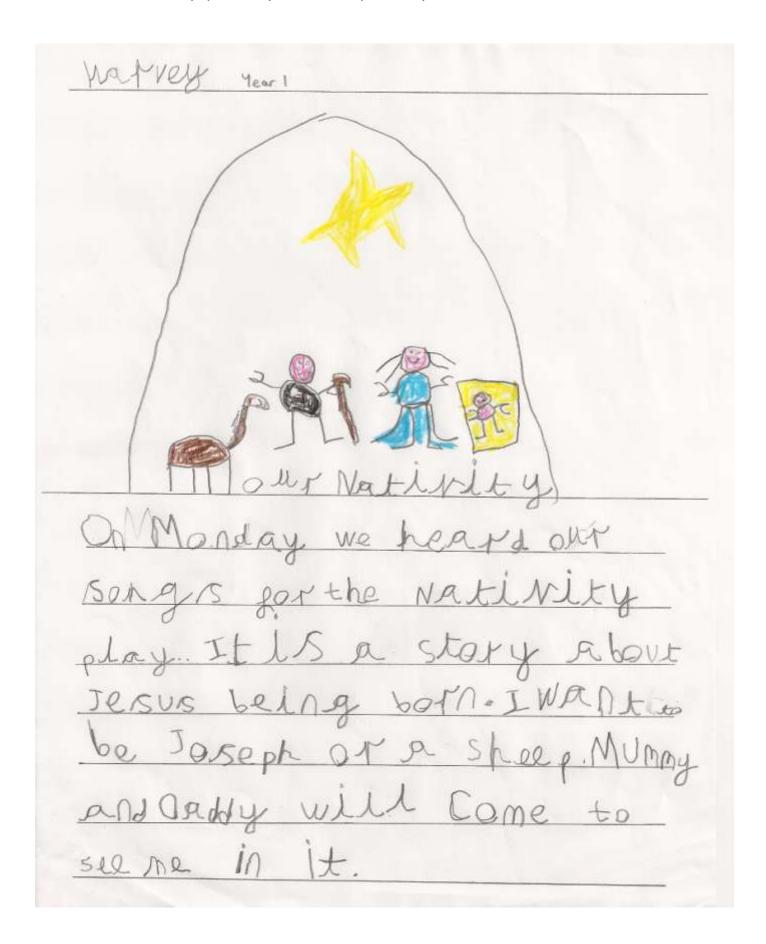
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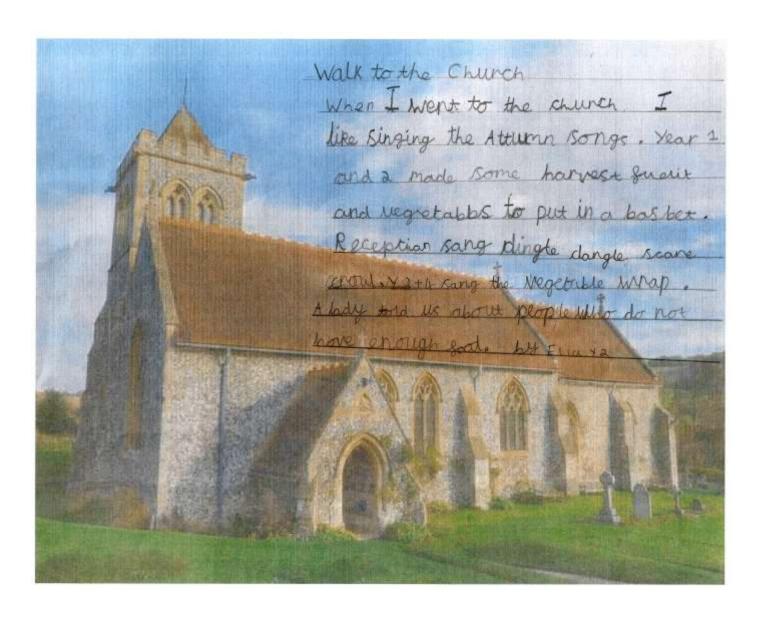
### Confirmation Service – 9th December at 6 pm in Church

Please come and support our candidates, Richard Turner, Sean Rourke (who is also being baptised) Nick Devlin, Louise Murphy and Helen Collins as they become full members of the church.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

The following were submitted by children from Hughenden Primary School. Well done Harvey (Year 1) and Ella (Year 2). Ed.





Editor's Note: As some of Ella's writing may not reproduce clearly because of the background, this is what she says:

#### Walk to the Church.

When I went to the church. I like singing the autumn songs. Year 1 and 2 made some harvest fruit and vegetables to put in a basket. Reception sang dingle dangle scarecrow. Y2 + 4 sang the Vegetable Wrap. A lady told us about people who do not have enough food. by Ella Y2.



### Regular Meetings and Organisations Friendship Morning

This is a get together in Church House on the **3**<sup>rd</sup> **Thursday each month at 10.30 a.m.** It is primarily



for those who are bereaved, who live on their own, and for those who are lonely. The emphasis is very much on companionship, and the atmosphere is light and cheerful. Please contact me if you think this is for you.

Judith Camplisson – 01494 56510

#### Toddlers @ St. Michael's



Hughenden Toddlers @ St. Michael's meets every Thursday from 9.30 -11.30 am in Church House. Come for chat, play, craft and refreshments. Included every third Thursday of the month will be 'Tiny Tots', a time of fun worship in Church. For further details contact Helen Peters (01494 716772)

NB: See details of Christmas services, including Crib Service, on Page 22.

House groups	Weekdays	See weekly notice sheet for details
CYFA (School Years 10+)	alternate Sunday evenings in term time	Contact Mike Dean (463376) for details
<b>D-CYFA</b> (School Years 7 – 9)	alternate Sunday evenings in term time	Contact Mike Dean as above

### February 2013 Issue of Outlook

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### Calendar – December

Morning prayer is said in Church at 7.45am on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 7.30am on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Bellringing practice is Tuesday evening at 7.30pm in the Belltower. Why not come and learn to ring? You'll be very welcome. Speak to David Cornwall. Choir practice is Wednesday evening at 7.45pm. If you can read music (and particularly if you are a soprano or tenor) you will be welcome. Speak to Neil Brice.

Art Group meets in Church House at 1pm on Tuesdays. Contact Bob Stone for more information.

Art Grou	up meet	ts in Church F	louse at 1pm on Tuesdays. Contact Bob Stone for more information.
Sat	1	7.30 pm	Papa Truck Concert in church
Sun	2		First Sunday of Advent
<b></b>	_	8.00 am	•
			Sung Communion (Common Worship)
			All Age Family Service
			Winter Warmers: Church House - in aid of Hearing Dogs for Deaf
		12 noon	
			Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
		•	Prayer Hour: Church
Tue	4	•	Mothers' Union: Advent Service – Church House
Wed	5	•	Alpha Course: Church House
Thurs	6	10.00 am	·
111015	O		Hughenden Brownies Carol Service
Fri	7	•	Confirmation service rehearsal: Church
Sun	9	7.00 pm	Second Sunday of Advent
Ouri	O	8 00 am	Said Communion
			Choral Mattins (Book of Common Prayer)
			Family Communion with JC club
		6.00 pm	•
		0.00 pm	No Evensong or Prayer Hour this evening
Thu	13	8 00 am	24 hours of prayer for High Wycombe: North Room
1110	10	0.00 am	Pipers' Corner School Pre-prep and Prep school Carol Service:
		11.00 am	Church
Sun	16	11.00 am	Third Sunday of Advent
Ouri	.0	8.00 am	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		9.00 am	` ' '
			Informal Family Service with JC Club
		6.00 pm	•
		7.00 pm	
Mon	17	•	Christmas Unwrapped – Great Kingshill School
Thu	20		Friendship morning: Church House
1110		10.30 am	Tiny Tots' Service: Church
			Little Strummers Concert: Church
		0.00 pm	Great Kingshill Church of England Combined School Carol Service:
Fri	21	2.00 pm	Church
Sun	23	2.00 pm	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Carr	_0	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
			Mattins (Book of Common Prayer)
		10.45 am	,
		6.00 pm	•
		0.00 pm	No Prayer Hour
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Mon	24		Christmas Eve
-			Holy Communion: Church (30 mins)
			Crib Service: Church
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		11.15 pm	Midnight Communion Service
Tue	25		Christmas Day
		8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00 am	Choral Mattins and Holy Communion
		10.45 am	Family Communion
		5.00 pm	Carols by Candlelight
Wed	26		Stephen, deacon, first martyr
		10.00am	At St Francis, Terriers, Holy Communion, BCP
Thu	27		John, apostle and evangelist
		8.00pm	At St Francis Terriers: Holy Communion CW
Fri	28		The Holy Innocents
		8.00 pm	At St Francis Terriers: Holy Communion CW
Sun	30		First Sunday of Christmas
		8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00 am	Mattins (Book of Common Prayer)
		10.45 am	Family Communion with JC Club
		6.00 pm	Evensong (Book of Common Prayer, no sermon)

### Calendar – January 2013

Tue	1	10.00om	Naming and Circumcision of Jesus
Sun	6	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sun	O	8.00 am	Epiphany Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
		9.00 am	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			All Age Family Service
		noon-	Winter Warmers: Church House – in aid of Iain Rennie Hospice at
		3.30pm	Home
		6.00 pm	
		•	Prayer Hour: Church
Thu	10	8.00 pm	•
Sun	13	0.00 am	Baptism of Christ
Ouri	10	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00 am	
			Family Communion with JC club
		6.00 pm	•
Thu	17	10.30 am	
-		7.30 pm	Parochial Church Council: Church House
Sat	19	10.00 am	Marriage preparation morning: Church House
Sun	20		3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany
		8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00 am	
		10.30 am	Informal Family Service with JC Club
		6.00 pm	Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
		7.00 pm	Prayer Hour
Fri	25		Conversion of Paul 10.00 am Holy Communion
Sun	27		4th Sunday of Epiphany
		8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00 am	Mattins (Book of Common Prayer)
		10.45am	Family Communion with JC club
		6.00 pm	Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
		7.00 pm	Prayer Hour

### Lectionary – December 2012

Date	Lesson	Readers			
		8.00am/ 6.00 pm	9.00 am	10.45am	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1st Sunday of Advent				
	Jeremiah 33, 14 - 16	C Carter	C Tyrer	Matt Dean	
	1 Thessalonians 3, 9 – end	P Hynard	H Lowe		
	Luke 21, 25- 36	Priest	Priest		
	Evensong:				
	Psalm 9				
	Joel 3, 9 – end	A Johnson			
	Revelation 14, 13 – 15, 4	B Brice			
9 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent				
	Malachi 3, 1 – 4	J Wilson	L Stallwood	F Hawkins	
	Philippians 1, 3 - 11	L Smit	R or A Gee (Check	D Hawkins	
	Luke 3, 1 – 6	Priest	which lesson)	Priest	
	Psalm at 9 am: 80				
	No Evensong: Confirmation				
16 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent				
	Zephaniah 3, 14 – end	J Kendell	K Moxham	Informal	
	Philippians 4, 4 – 7	A Stacey	C Dathan		
	Luke 3, 7 – 18	Priest	Priest		
	Evensong:				
	Psalm 50				
	Isaiah 35	E Bailey			
	Luke 1, 57 – end	S Brice			
23 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent				
	Micah 5, 2 – 5a	J Godfrey (Downley)	E Sadler	D Godfrey	
	Hebrews 10, 5 – 10	A Jaycock	A Moore (Check	J Godfrey	
	Luke 1, 39 – 55	Priest	Which lesson)	Priest	
	Psalm at 9 am: 144				
	No Evensong: Lessons and Carols				
30 <sup>th</sup>	1st Sunday of Christmas				
	1 Samuel 2, 18 - 20 & 26	tba	tba	K Williams	
	Colossians 3, 12 – 17			K Moxham	
	Luke 2, 41 – end			Priest	
	Psalm at 9 am 148				
	Evensong:				
	Psalm 132, OT Isaiah 61 and NT	Galatians 3, 27 – 4, 7	Readers tba		

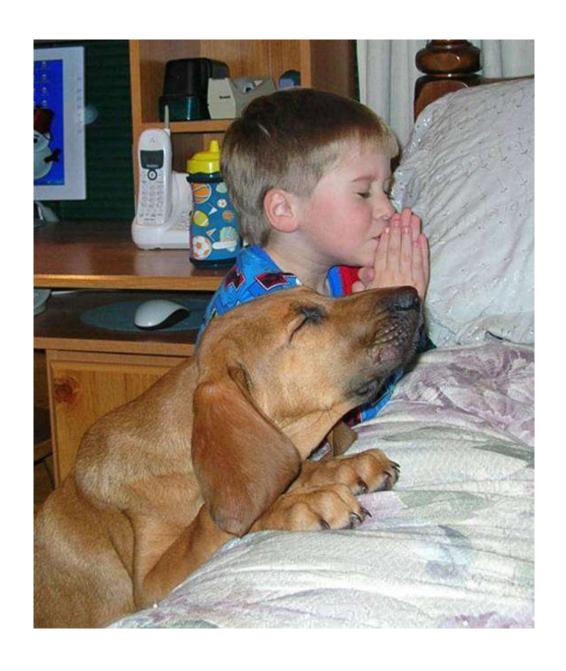
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Date	Lesson	Readers			
		8.00am/ 6.00 pm	9.00 am	10.45am	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Epiphany				
	Isaiah 60, 1 – 6			J Tucker	
	Ephesians 3, 1 – 12				
	Evensong: Psalm 98				
	Baruch 4, 36 – 5 end				
	John 2, 1 11				
3 <sup>th</sup>	The Baptism of Christ				
	Isaiah 43, 1 – 7			N Pulley	
	Acts 8, 14 – 17			R Pulley	
	Luke 3, 15 – 17 & 21 - 22			Priest	
	Psalm at 9 am: 29				
	Evensong: Psalms 46 & 47				
	Isaiah 55, 1 – 11				
	Romans 6, 1 – 11				
O <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany				
	Isaiah 62, 1 – 5			Informal	
	1 Corinthians 12, 1 – 11				
	John 2, 1 – 11				
	Evensong: Psalm 96				
	1 Samuel 3, 1 – 20				
	Ephesians 4, 1 - 16				
7 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany				
	Nehemiah 8, 1 – 3, 5 – 6 & 8 – 10			C Cronk	
	1 Corinthians 12, 12 – 31a			J Steel	
	Luke 4, 14 – 21			Priest	
	Psalm at 9am: 19				
	Evensong: Psalm 33				
	Numbers 9, 15 – end				
	1 Corinthians 7, 17 - 24				

Readers for 8, 9 and Evensong will receive a copy of this lectionary with names added by  $16^{th}$  December.

Duty Roster D	ecember			
0800 Service	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Sidespersons</u>		
First Sunday	Andrew Cole	Philip Hynard		
2 December		Grantley Hoath		
Second Sunday	Lin Smit	Judy Wilson		
9 December	Andrew Cole	TBA		
Third Sunday	Judy Wilson	Jean Godfrey		
16 December	,	TBA		
Fourth Sunday	Alan Jaycock	Denise Barrow		
23 December		Jean Godfrey		
Fifth Sunday	Andrew Cole	Rosemary Petty		
30 December		Meg Freeman		
0900 Service	Ser	vers	Sidespersons	Intercessions
First Sunday	Alan Jaycock	Edie Sadler	Ann Moore	Andy MacBarnett
2 December	7 Harr Saycock	Laic Jaaici	Keith Dean	7 (Tay Macballion
Second Sunday		N/A	Edie Sadler	N/A
9 December		11/7	Laie Sadiei	IN//A
Third Sunday	Andrew Cole	Edie Sadler	Christopher Tyrer	John Smit
16 December	Andy MacBarnett	Edie Sadiei	Chilstopher Tyler	JOHN SITH
		N/A	Louise and	N/A
Fourth Sunday	N/A	N/A		IN/A
23 December			Richard	
E:the Compalance	N1/A		Stallwood	TDA
Fifth Sunday	N/A		Keith and Eileen	TBA
30 December			Dean	0 "
1045 Service	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Intercessions</u>	Greeters	<u>Coffee</u>
First Sunday 2 December	N/A	Sunday School	Brian and Sylvia Clark	Jane Tyrer and Sylvia Clark
Second Sunday	Lois Comley	Heather and	Anne Dean	Frank and Diane
9 December	2013 00111107	Brian Morley	Mike Dean	Hawkins
Third Sunday	N/A	N/A	Brian Clark	Frank and Diane
16 December	14/74	14/71	Sylvia Clark	Hawkins
Fourth Sunday	Lois Comley	Cath Cronk	Penny Austin	Sylvia Clark
23 December	LOIS COTTILEY	Calli Clorik	Christopher Tyrer	Pam Felix
Fifth Sunday	Lois Comley	Judith	Derek and Jean	Pam Felix
•	Lois Corriley			Yvonne Cook
30 December	Crache	Camplisson	Godfrey	
First Cure day	<u>Creche</u>	<u>Sidespersons</u>	<u>Prayer Team</u>	JC Club
First Sunday 2 December	Lizzie Hurrell and team	Janes Family	N/A	Family Service
Second Sunday	Jane Lomas and	Anne and John	Ann Long	Diana Gibbons
9 December	team	Smalley	Judith	Norma Clarke
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			Carripiissori	Jane Gazard
Third Sunday	Lucy Rippon and	The Phillips Family	N/A	All children in
16 December	team		11//1	church for service
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Fourth Sunday	Christine Powell	Heather and	Dorok and lass	run by JC Club
Fourth Sunday			Derek and Jean	No groups
23 December	and team	Brian Morley	Godfrey	
		Tim and	Karen Williams	
		AngelaAze		
Fifth Sunday	Anna Pedrette	Audrey Tricker	TBA	No groups
30 December	and team	Judy Biggs		
		Christine Powell		

0800 Service	Servers	<u>Sidespersons</u>		
First Sunday	Judy Wilson	Philip Hynard		
6 January	,	Grantley Hoath		
Second Sunday	Lin Smit	Judy Wilson		
13 January		TBA		
Third Sunday	Judy Wilson	Jean Godfrey		
20 January	,	TBA		
Fourth Sunday	Alan Jaycock	Denise Barrow		
27 January		Jean Godfrey		
0900 Service	Ser	Servers		<u>Intercessions</u>
First Sunday	Alan Jaycock	Edie Sadler	Ann Moore	TBA
6 January	R. Harris		Keith Dean	
Second Sunday	N/A	N/A	Edie Sadler	N/A
13 January <sup>*</sup>				
Third Sunday	Andrew Cole	Edie Sadler	Christopher Tyrer	TBA
20 January	Andy MacBarn		, ,	
Fourth Sunday	N/A	N/A	Louise Stallwood	N/A
27 January <sup>*</sup>			Richard Stallwood	
1045 Service	Servers	<u>Intercessions</u>	Greeters	Coffee
First Sunday	N/A	Sunday School	Anne Dean	Yvonne Cook
6 January		•	Clare Godfrey	Helen Collins
Second Sunday	Lois Comley	Ann Smalley	Anne and Mike	Helen Collins
13 January	,	,	Dean	Janet Cook
Third Sunday	N/A	N/A	Brian and Sylvia	Janet Cook
20 January			Clark	Anne Dean
Fourth Sunday	Lois Comley	TBA	Penny Austin	Anne Dean
27 January	,		Christopher Tyrer	Jenny Phillips
	Creche	<u>Sidespersons</u>	<u>Prayer Team</u>	JC Club
First Sunday	Elaine Morley	Janes Family	TBA	
6 January	and team	•		
Second Sunday	Vicki Michell and	Anne and John	TBA	
13 January	team	Smalley		
Third Sunday	Kirstie Brewer	Brian and Sylvia	TBA	
20 January	and team	Clark		
Fourth Sunday	Jean Godfrey	Heather and	TBA	
27 January <sup>*</sup>	and team	Brian Morley		
•		Tim and Angela		
		Aze		
Chalice at 10.45an	n			
13 January	Tom and Kirstie			
•	Brewer			
27 January	Susan Devereux			
	Cath Cronk			



Now I lay me down to sleep
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.
If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take.
And this I ask for Jesus' sake.
Amen.

This prayer was taught to me by my mother when I was very small, and I recited it every night before getting into bed. Ed.

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### Our Mission is

### "To enable all to follow Jesus Christ"

We shall live out this mission through Prayer, Presence, Persuasion and Proclamation by:

### i) Leading lives centred on Jesus Christ -

- That is steadfastly based on the Bible and prayer
- That is based on Jesus' example
- By being ambassadors of Christ to our friends, families, neighbours and work and school colleagues.

### ii) Being seen and known in the wider Community by

- Understanding the communities in which we live and seeking to be fully involved in those communities
- Building appropriate bridges between our Church and our community
- Taking every opportunity to share the Good news about Jesus Christ

### iii) Offering and receiving spiritual and practical support and development –

- That is appropriate to wherever people are on their spiritual journey
- That is based on worship that is honouring to God and accessible and relevant to all
- And that is led by prayer that engages with the will of God and his purposes