

## PRAYERS

We pray for all those who are suffering at this time of year, whether from ill health, grief, debt, or family problems. May we walk beside them in their hour of need, ready to listen and pray with them. Please bring us all peace and calm as we go into Christmas week.

Dear Lord, may you wrap those who are unwell in Your love, keep them safe and cherished in your everlasting care and bless the hands of the medical teams that care for those we love.

We particularly pray for **Nick Ward, Jennifer Morshead, Eileen and Peter Bennett, Sally Calvert, Nicky, Sandy, Beryl, Win, Clare, John Dendy, Peter Fairbrother, Spencer Thorpe, Claire Boothby, Margaret Dale, Eileen Steeden, Simon, Betty Mitchell, Mark Bromham, Richard Lake, Pat White and Paul Tucker.**

We pray for all those recently bereaved and offer our love and support to the families of **Filomena Edwards, Dennis Parkins, Maureen White, Jill Fairs, and Finley Relf** may they rest in peace and rise in joy.

### Dates for your diary:

**31 December 2021 7.30pm:** New Year's Eve supper club at the Crown - £50.

**6 January 2022** sadly the village lunch has been cancelled for January, so thank you to all those who had offered help – we will be on call later in the year.

**Thank you,** to all those who have helped this year at our events, services, concerts, teas, all those who help maintain our churches, clean them, prepare flower arrangements for them, sweep our paths, trim, mow and maintain our churchyards, support those less well off than us in the community, help at foodbank, serve at the Pavilion café, read with our school children, volunteer with numerous local and national charities, you are the life blood of our communities and deserve our praise, recognition and thanks.

A special thank you to our wonderful flower arrangers who have decorated our churches so spectacularly for Christmas. Do go and have a look when you get a chance. Our churches are open daily from 9am to 4pm.



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## Parish of Capel and Ockley

Sunday 19 December 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome to your church

Due to the current rise in Covid infections no refreshments will be served after services



### Sunday 19 December: Fourth Sunday of Advent

9.30am Matins Ockley

This service will be taken by Graham Everness

10.30am Family Communion

Capel

6.00pm Nine lessons and Carols

Capel

### Friday 24 December – Christmas Eve

4pm Crib Service

Capel

11.00pm Midnight Holy communion

Capel

### Saturday 25 December – Christmas Day

10am Parish Celebration Worship

Ockley

### Sunday 26 December First Sunday of Christmas – Boxing Day

9.30am Matins

Ockley

9.30am Holy communion

Capel

This service will be taken by Revd Jo Elvidge

### Sunday 2 January Second Sunday of Christmas

9.30am Matins

Ockley

10.30am Family Communion

Capel

**‘Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.’**

1 Corinthians 13:6-8

### Please observe the following guidelines whilst in church:

**At both churches:** The wearing of masks inside places of worship is now mandatory unless you are exempt. Congregations are requested to keep masks on whilst singing.

Please tell us if you would prefer to be seated in a socially distanced area. We will do our best to accommodate you.

Hand sanitiser will be available for use by the entrance door.

Holy communion is now available in both bread and the wine. Consecrated wine will be served in individual glasses whilst we are still at risk from the pandemic.

**At Capel:** One of the hymns (usually the 3<sup>rd</sup>) will be designated as an offertory hymn. The bag will be passed round by the sidesperson but should not be handled by others.

**At Ockley:** The collection plate will be on the table at the back of the church for donations.