

We continue to pray for the terrible situation in your Holy Land; for the many who have died and suffered as a result, and for the bereaved. We pray for a swift end to this conflict. Gracious God strengthen and heal through the power of the Holy Spirit all who are sick and suffer today. In our own community we pray for Jennifer, Sally, Nicky, Simon, Eddie, Mark, Peter, Tessa, Judy, Doreen, Dan, Claire, Sandy, Sharon, Nick, Bill, Charlie, Mike, Chris, Margaret, Pete, Shirley and Michael. We also pray for all those who have asked for prayers on our prayer board. We pray for those who are bereaved remembering the family and friends of James Brant and Patricia Hewson. We also particularly pray for the family of Daryll who was recently discovered deceased in our parish.

Thanks to Bob and Dik and everyone for braving the cold last Saturday for the switching on of the Christmas tree lights! Thank you to Sally and her team for organising everything - the trees look superb!

LOAF stall and Church Teas this Sunday!! Last teas of the year... thank you to Joy and her team for providing this wonderful event regularly from Mothering Sunday to December. Also, Dineke will be there today with her stall, offering Fair trade, organic and other ethical stocking fillers and groceries. If you shop for the hampers she will give you a discount!

Real Advent Calendars - You will be pleased to know that our Scott Broadwood School children were delighted with the gift of their real advent calendars. This gesture has been much appreciated by all!

PCC Net Zero Statement

Following the lead of the central Church of England, the PCC of Capel and Ockley has adopted a Net Zero Carbon statement in their meeting of 8 November. PCC members and members of the congregation (and the wider community!) can hold their life and work against the light of this statement: **'The Parish of Capel and Ockley, Church of England, is committed to reaching Net Zero Carbon by 2030. To achieve this requires action by all parts of our Church. The priority is to reduce the emissions arising from the energy use of our buildings, our transport and the activities we run as a church.'** In recent years, even before thinking about the 2030 deadline, our churches have come a long way: Both St John the Baptist and St Margaret's are registered ECO churches (www.ecochurch.arocha.org.uk) with a bronze award, each looking for the best way to reach silver.

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Parish of Capel and Ockley

Sunday 10th December 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Welcome to your Church!



Sunday 10th December - Second Sunday of Advent

9.30am Holy Communion CW - Ockley
10.30 Christmas Cafe Church - St John the Baptist, Capel.
3pm Church Teas and LOAF stall at Capel - the last teas of the year
4pm Christingle Service in the Ockley Cricket Pavilion

Sunday 17th December - Third Sunday of Advent

9.30am Parish Family Communion - Ockley
6pm 'A Light in the Stable' our service of Lessons and Carols - Capel with mulled wine and mince pies

Sunday 24th December - Christmas Eve

9.30am - Parish Family Communion BCP - Ockley
4pm - Crib Service - Capel
11pm - Midnight Holy Communion - Capel

Monday 25th December - CHRISTMAS DAY

10AM - Christmas Celebration Service - Capel

Sunday 31st December - First Sunday of Christmas - New Year's Eve

9.30am - Parish Family Communion - Ockley

Every Wednesday 9 - 12 Pavilion Café in Ockley, Cricket Pavilion

A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.'

Isaiah 40. 3