

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 who was laid to rest this last week.

Scott Broadwood Infant School

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. **Christmas Hampers** have also been collated and safely delivered to many families. **Thank you** everyone for your generous gifts of food and goodies which will ensure that families have a good Christmas. **Thank you** to Jessie, Eric and Leigh for organising this. As part of our Parish Needs Plan we are developing our ministry with children and leading a weekly **After School Club** for Scott Broadwood children beginning in January! Using a successful and well tried format created by the former OOFG parish we are looking forward to this new venture. Please contact Revd Liz if this is something you might like to help with.

Christmas lunches

Both Capel and Ockley village communities have held their annual Christmas lunches in recent days. Lovely occasions and a chance for people to meet up with old friends. Thank you to all those who make these lovely village events happen!

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.'**

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Parish of Capel and Ockley

Sunday 17th December 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Welcome to your Church!



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 held at Capel with mulled wine and mince pies

Sunday 24th December - Christmas Eve

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

A service for the children as Christmas really begins they place the Christmas characters in the Crib..

11pm - Midnight Holy Communion - Capel

We begin this first communion of Christmas at 11pm and as the clock Strikes midnight we are singing Silent Night in candlelight...

Monday 25th December - CHRISTMAS DAY

10AM - Christmas Celebration Service - Capel
Both churches together with Christmas quiz as we welcome and worship the new born King!

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

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me;
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,
to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and release the prisoners

Isaiah 61