

**ANNUAL REPORTS** - please note that the deadline for sending reports in to the Parishes Office is 31<sup>st</sup> January!

**ANNUAL SING-ALONG** - Saturday 10th February is the date for this year's Sing-Along, in church, with Scott Morrison and Margaret Smith co-hosting the event. We will be celebrating church music of all types and styles throughout 700 years of worship, and can guarantee there will be something for everyone to enjoy, whether singing, playing an instrument or listening. Book the date!

**MANY THANKS** - to everyone who took part in the various Christmas services, either playing an instrument, singing in the choir, reading lessons, preparing hot fruit punch, arranging flowers, lighting tea-lights and candles ... what a great way to start our Year of Celebration with so many people lending willing hands!  
Phil Rodd

**BOOK GROUP** - will be discussing books they have enjoyed, on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 1b Poplar Avenue. We are hoping that Rachel Taylor will join us for the evening. More details from Ann Copsey (259257).

**AN EVENING OF CELEBRATION FESTIVITIES** - to mark the beginning of our Year of Celebration. When? Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January, 7 pm in our church hall. The evening will start with a 3-course meal and there'll be plenty of fun and ... well, celebration! Tickets are available now price £5 (includes the meal) from Margaret Smith (453010) or Julie Holmes (812067).

**CHAIN OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** - will be held in St Luke's Chapel at Norwich Cathedral on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January. We've been allocated a 15-minute slot at 11 am. If anyone can attend as our representative please let Margaret Smith know. Thank you.

Please send notices for this sheet direct to Margaret Smith, tel. 01603 453010, or email: [margarethsmith@btinternet.com](mailto:margarethsmith@btinternet.com) by 12 noon on Tuesdays. Send a copy where appropriate for the St Andrew's website to Christine Hall: [webmaster@standrewseaton.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@standrewseaton.org.uk)

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The Church Office is normally open to callers from 10 am to 12 noon Mondays to Fridays

## News Sheet for 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018 ` Epiphany Sunday



'across the ages – a time for all'

## Welcome!

A very Happy New Year to everyone, and a special welcome if you are a visitor worshipping with us.

Here are the details of our services today:

- 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP Epiphany 1) led by Phil Rodd  
10.00 am Morning Worship led by Phil Rodd who is also our preacher.  
Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6 (church Bibles p.700 OT)  
Matthew 2:1-12 (church Bibles p.1 NT)  
Afterwards refreshments will be served in the hall - do come and join with other members of the congregation!
- 5.30 pm Epiphany Tea Party before ...  
6.30 pm Epiphany Informal Evening Worship led by Phil Rodd; Margaret Smith will be the speaker.

*If you would like someone to pray with you about anything, large or small, do go to the Prayer Corner after our morning and evening services today where there will be people on hand to pray or give thanks with you.*

If you are a visitor, please make yourself known to one of the staff. If you are thinking of joining us on a regular basis, please complete one of the 'Welcome' cards you will find in the pews and chairs in church, hand it to one of the sidespeople on duty and we will get in touch with you.

#### JANUARY CHARITY OF THE MONTH - WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS

For over sixty years Wycliffe has been pioneering the work of Bible translation into languages for people around the world. Their prayer is for everyone to be able to engage with the gospel in the language that speaks to them best. Even today 1.5 billion people are still waiting and one in five people worldwide doesn't have a Bible in their own tongue.. Wycliffe partners with local communities and churches to make it possible for all people to discover the Bible for themselves. Please give generously!

Neil Rout

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us -  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
past put behind us, for the future take us -  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

(Timothy Dudley-Smith)

## DURING THE WEEK

- ❖ Let us pray for those unwell at this time, especially Kevin Ring, Ann Grady, Marilyn Evans, Barbara Knowles and Rana Nawas-Davies (Peter and Rose's daughter-in-law). Pray for the bereaved including the families and friends of Nancy Chaplin, Brenda Huddleston (funeral 9<sup>th</sup> January). Remember Christine Hall and her family following the death of Chris (funeral to be announced later).
- ❖ Give thanks for Julie Holmes and the group planning the Year of Celebration and pray for wisdom and strength as the various events come together over the next few months. Pray for the publicity going out around the parish, that local people will be motivated to join in the various events.
- ❖ Connect groups are starting up again. Pray that more people will see the value of meeting together in smaller groups to study the Bible and to encourage and support one another. Pray for the leaders of the groups, for the hosts who open their homes and for a deepening of the friendships within the groups.
- ❖ Plans are being made for the Lent course this year. Pray for wisdom to choose the material and for preparations by those leading the course.
- ❖ Locally we pray for those living in Sunningdale, Tamarind Mews and Tenison Court, especially for the elderly and housebound.
- ❖ Pray for Andrea and her team as they prepare for Messy Church next Sunday; for the story time, the music, the activities and the tea together. Pray that many more families, particularly those who came to the Crib Service and to the Christingle service, will come again.
- ❖ Give thanks for those who help lead our worship week by week, not just on Sundays but for Friday practices. Pray for Margaret as Music Director, as she makes suggestions for hymns and songs for each service, for Colin Morgan and others who assist with playing and for the worship always to be honouring to God and to bring us closer into his presence.
- ❖ Remember those who are coping with long-term illness and disability, including Marie Elias who is paralysed, wheelchair bound and needing full care; pray that she will be able to cope with the frustration of her situation.

## NOTICES FOR THIS WEEK ...

*Morning Prayer will be said in church at 9 am on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings this week*

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

7.30 pm Church Council meets in church

### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

10.00 am Toddlers, Hall

10.30 am Tuesday Morning Connect Group meets at 43A Chestnut Hill - "Preparing for Lent: 1. For details contact Sheila Nunney (507110). All welcome!

2.00 pm Funeral for Brenda Huddleston at St Faith's Crematorium

### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>

9.30 am St Andrew's Amblers first walk of 2018! Meet in church car park with suitable footwear for a 3-5 mile walk.

7.30 pm WOW (for women of working age) meet for "Chill and Chat" at The Cellar House - all welcome!

7.30 pm Wednesday Evening Connect Group meets for a party at 8 Camberley Road. Contact Chris Smith (453010) for more details. Come and join us!

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>

10.00 am Midweek Holy Communion (BCP) led by Sheila Nunney

7.30 pm Julian group meets for contemplative prayer at 31 Parsons Mead

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup>

11.00 am Bay Tree House service

7.15 pm St Andrew's Singers rehearse, in church

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) led by Douglas Durand

10.00 am Holy Communion led by Phil Rodd who is also the preacher

3.00 pm Messy Church, Hall

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**PARISHES MAGAZINE** - a few copies for December/January still available, 75p.

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK** - if you did not receive a flyer last week giving details of this initiative for encouragement to pray more during this Year of Celebration, please make sure you take a copy today.

**REVELATION CARDS** - I will bring a selection of greetings cards for all occasions next Sunday together with copies of Bishop Graham James' latest book (it's excellent!). If there are other items you need please let me know and I will try and get them for you.  
Margaret Smith