

## Church Events

### Mums & Babes Pilgrim

Starting Friday 25th January from 10am,  
An opportunity to discuss the Christian faith together, with tea and cake.



### Men's Breakfast, Saturday 26th January, 8.30am

At our next breakfast we hope to be entertained by Malcom, regaling us with tales of his flight in a Spitfire!  
Look forward to seeing you there. Brian 759278



### FREE Film Afternoon, Saturday 2nd February, 3pm in church

Bring a chair/bean bag, or use one of ours!  
Refreshments available

**PETER RABBIT**



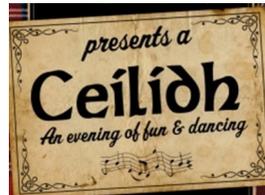
### Unwanted Christmas Present Sale, 17th Feb after Oasis Communion, in church

Please donate any unwanted presents for our sale.  
Leave them in the box in the porch or give to Sarah Lavender.

### St Nicholas Church Social Committee ....

#### Friday 1st March, 7pm in Church

Tickets £5 each or £15 family  
from Sarah or the office  
Bring your own drink and snacks



### And in the halls....



### Friday 1st February, Poplar Pre-School 'Bingo Night'

£6 entrance, includes your bingo ticket.  
Booking is required, please email  
preschool@poplarpreschool.co.uk.

### New Allington Players present 'For Better or for Worse'

Saturday 16th February at 7.30pm in St Nicholas Church Main Hall  
Tickets £8 to include light refreshment from Anne on 764063



# St Nicholas' Church



## Sunday 20th January 2019

### 3rd of Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion  
10.00am Oasis Communion with Oasis Explorers



### and the week ahead

#### Monday 21st January

8.30am Morning Prayer

#### Tuesday 22nd January

3.20pm Palace Wood Explorers

#### Wednesday 23rd January

8.30am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Holy Communion  
3.15pm Allington Explorers  
7.30pm Evening Prayer

#### Thursday 24th January

9.00am Prayer Space  
5.30pm CAMRA Curry Club, The Society Rooms

#### Friday 25th January

10.00am Mums & Babes Pilgrim  
4.00pm Private Hire

#### Saturday 26th January

8.30am-10.30am Men's Breakfast in Main Hall



#### Sunday 27th January - 4th of Epiphany

9.30am Oasis Communion  
11.00am Holy Communion  
3.00pm Baptism Celebration Service

## January Prayers

In the first two chapters of the book of Revelation, to each of the seven churches, the word of the Lord is: 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.' We pray that as this new year goes forward, we will hear what God is saying to us. God had particular things to commend each church for and things to rebuke each church for. May we be aware of God's voice leading, guiding or admonishing us. We pray that we would have the grace to respond positively and to grow in spirit and wisdom during this year.

We ask that we may be the change God has called us to be in our world. We each have a part to play here in Allington.

We give thanks for all those working to keep the Winter Shelter functioning, we pray that their actions and words will show the love of Jesus to all who pass through. May the Lord watch over them throughout their sessions.

Let's ask the Lord to watch over those who are facing upheaval in family situations, ill health, financial difficulty, problems which seem to large to handle. May they be reminded of His promise: 'Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.' Isaiah 40:31

Let us remember all the blessings which we individually, as a church, as a community have received over the last year and thank the Lord for His goodness toward us. May we never take for granted the good things we have, the safety of our homes, friends, the freedom to worship, our beautiful country.

We pray for God's peace to envelop us throughout the year in good times and in difficult times. 'God's peace....is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. His peace will keep your thoughts and your hearts quiet and at rest as you trust in Christ Jesus.' Phil: 4v7.

We lift up to the Lord all those who are living under persecution, we pray that their leaders might come to know Jesus and repent of their actions, that peace will return to those countries existing in turmoil. Maybe we could each pick just one place to pray for over this month?

As the date for Brexit draws close we ask the Lord to be gracious toward us, that the right decisions are made. We especially pray for all those politicians who put Jesus at the centre of their lives. Please give them wisdom and make their voices heard.

Please continue to pray for each other!

'You who serve God, praise God! Just to speak His name is praise!

Just to remember god is a blessing now and tomorrow and always. From east to west, from dawn to dusk, keep lifting all your praise to God!' Psalm 113:1-3 Amen



### Pray for the sick and anxious

Hazel Neseyif, Kirsty, Kay Whittle, Tanay, Liz Boots, Anna, Carol Gray, Stephen Birt and Melvin.

Pray for those who have been bereaved over recent days We pray for the families of Daphne Kightley, Stanley Neale, Sandra Nightingale, Olive Fuller and Daphne Acton

Pray for our Deanery This month our prayer focus is on the parish of St Martin's

Pray for our Diocese Cheriton with Newington Clergy : Angela Oakey-Jones

Pray for our Residents This week we focus on the residents and businesses in Brunell Close, Buckland Land and Beckenham Drive.

Pray for our Community our Finance Committee

Charity for the month of January Maidstone Street Pastors



### Cards Available

Baptism, Sympathy, Thank You and Thinking of You cards for sale in the Prayer Corner, £1 each. Please put your payment in the wall safe in the entrance foyer.

### Electoral Roll (Church membership list)

Every sixth year we are required to draw up a new Electoral Roll, in place of the previous one. This was last done in 2013 and so it is due to be done again this year. If you wish to remain on the Electoral Roll, or join it for the first time, a form needs to be completed - these can be found at the back of church, or can be obtained from the Parish Administrator.

Data Protection Consent Forms signed in 2018 confirm that you have given consent for St Nicholas' to hold your details in the Church Electoral Roll Directory. If you have not completed a consent form you will have to do so to enable the church to hold your information - these forms are also at the back of church, or can be obtained from the Parish Administrator.

CALEB HOWARD

Electoral Roll Officer