

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Today is Epiphany Sunday, the nearest Sunday to tomorrow's Feast of the Epiphany. We remember how foreign visitors made a long journey to worship the infant Jesus. As we rejoice that God has been revealed to us in Jesus, let us remember in our prayers those for whom joy is in short supply. We pray for those who are seeking Jesus today and for all who help them to find him. May the Church always seek to practise what it preaches. We pray for those tormented by warfare and oppression. May God's light guide the rulers of today's world among the path of peace. We pray for those caught up in natural disasters and for those in recent US terrorist attacks. We pray for those we know who are suffering, in body, mind or spirit, naming before you: Jennifer, Nicky, Tessa, Claire, Nick, George, Rebecca, Sally and Clare. May they know God's loving care for them and never lose hope. We pray for ourselves, in our continuing journey of faith. In good times and in bad, may we never lose sight of the glory of God. We give thanks for those we love who have reached their journey's end, and now rejoice in God's eternal kingdom and pray for the family and friends of Christopher Cobb who died last week. May they know your peace and comfort at this time.

InSpire - January will be in church this weekend and online. As the new year begins InSpire is in need of sponsorship. If you would like to sponsor a copy or share sponsorship with someone else please do contact our wonderful editor Suzanne for more details or see your new January issue!

We wish God Speed and all God's blessings to our ordinand Gill Christie as she begins her three month placement at St Saviours Church Guildford. This placement is part of Gill's third year of training for ordination where she will experience life and worship in a different church or ministry setting. Therefore we will not enjoy Gill's ministry and presence with us until after Easter so please do keep Gill and her family in your prayers at this significant phase in her training. Please do also keep Sunday 29th June free for the Ordination Service at Guildford Cathedral. In the meantime please pray for Shirley and Helen as they continue to lead Matins at St Margaret's once a month.

Today We welcome Paul Middleton from St Peter's Newdigate who is preaching at Capel this morning. Paul is studying with LMP on the LAM course! (Local Ministry Programme) (Lay Assistant Minister)

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Parish of Capel and Ockley

5th January 2024

Epiphany



Sunday 5th January - Epiphany

9.30 Matins - Ockley
10.30 Family Communion - Capel

Tuesday 7th January - Women of the Nativity

3pm Study group continues at 1 Old Barn Drive Capel

Sunday 12th January - The Baptism of Christ

9.30 Holy Communion - CW Ockley
10.30 Cafe Church - Capel - *Face to Face with Jesus*
with special guest Gail Lawther along with our friends
from Forest Hill and Okewood churches

Tuesday 14th January - Women of the Nativity

3pm Study group continues at 1 Old Barn Drive Capel

Sunday 19th January - Epiphany 2

10.30 Parish Communion - Capel

Every Wednesday 9 - 12 Pavilion Café in Ockley, Cricket Pavilion
with visit from Community Fridge

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Isaiah 60. 1-6

In case of changes to events in these notes,
the latest information can be found on:
www.capelandockleychurch.org.uk/events-calendar/