God is waiting with blessings of abundance for those who are far off as well as those who are near. No one is to be denied this blessing in God's kingdom. We pray for people of peace throughout the world, whose actions bring blessing in conflict and opportunities for fresh beginnings. We pray for the fragile peace process due to begin between Israel and Gaza hoping that this may be the beginning of a lasting peace. As Jesus changed the water into wine at the wedding at Cana, we pray for signs of his glory in the ordinary things of life, that Christ will transform peoples' lives and that he would speak into peoples' lives and situations in ways that they will understand.

We especially pray for those we know who are suffering, in body, mind or spirit, naming before you: Kim, Jennifer, Philomena, Nicky, Tessa, 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 recently. We also pray for and hold in our hearts Peter and Jackie Boothby whose beloved daughter Claire died recently. May each know that God promises to be with them and is with us always even in the darkest of times.

Christingle Service at Candlemas

We will be holding our annual Christingle to celebrate Candlemas, the end of the Christmas season, on the Sunday we commemorate Jesus' presentation at the temple in Jerusalem as a child. We are inviting families from school and uniformed groups to join us so do please spread the word! See venue and time across the page. All proceeds to The Childrens Society.

Lent Groups

Some of us have gained a lot from meeting weekly throughout Advent and continuing into this year with the excellent book 'Women of the Nativity'. We will continue to meet running into Lent with a similar format but using Paula Gooder's previously published 'Women of Holy Week' which also runs for nine weeks. This group will meet at 3pm at 1 Old Barn Drive Capel. It would be good to run an evening Lent group as well and so I am looking for those who might wish to host or lead another group - resources of your choosing?! Please have a word with me (Rev Liz) if you feel you might like to be involved!

Church after school club

We began the Spring term last week and now have 36 children wishing to attend! If you would like to help us in any way with this please contact Rev Liz.

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Parish of Capel and Ockley

19th January 2025

Epiphany 2



Sunday 19th January - Epiphany 2

10.30 Parish Communion - Capel

Tuesday 21st January - Women of the Nativity

3pm Study group continues at 1 Old Barn Drive Capel

Sunday 26th January - Epiphany 3

9.30 Holy Communion BCP - Ockley

10.30 Morning Worship - Capel

Tuesday 28th January - Women of the Nativity

3pm Study group meets at 1 Old Barn Drive Capel

Sunday 2nd February - Candlemas (Presentation of Christ in the Temple)

9.30 Matins - Ockley

10.30 Christingle Service in aid of The Childrens Society - Capel

Tuesday 4th February - Women of the Nativity - final session

3pm Study group meets at 1 Old Barn Drive Capel

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

How precious is your loving mercy, O God! All mortal flesh shall take refuge under the shadow of your wings

Psalm 36.7

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