1st December 2024



# Welcome to our Advent Sunday Services

The 9.15am, 10.45am and 6.30pm services are livestreamed

**8.00am - 8.45am Holy Communion** (Refreshments 2nd Sunday only)

Revelation 4 - "Behold our God. The throne in heaven"

Nick Ashton

9.15am - 10.15am Morning Service (Refreshments after service)

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10.45am -12.00pm Morning Worship (Refreshments after service)

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10.45am - 12.00pm ASK Groups (6 months to school year 9)

**5.45pm - 6.15pm 24/7** (school years 10-13) in The Stables

**6.30pm - 8.00pm** Holy Communion (Refreshments after service)

Luke 1:26-38 Matt Malone

- Safeguarding All Saints is determined to ensure a safe church culture for all, which reflects the love and care of Jesus.
   Jane Brackpool is the Parish Safeguarding Officer. Contact her at <a href="mailto:safeguarding@allsaintscrowborough.org">safeguarding@allsaintscrowborough.org</a>, or for the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser call 01273 421021 or at <a href="mailto:safeguarding@chichester.anglican.org">safeguarding@chichester.anglican.org</a>
- ♦ Accessibility: All Saints is committed to being an accessible church. If you have a learning disability, dyslexia or a moderate sight loss and would benefit from a specially designed, easy-to-read Bible, please pick up the Accessible Bible at the back of church. If you or someone you attend with has any additional needs please speak to Sarah Thrift sarah@allsaintscrowborough.org

#### Discover Jesus - Discover Life.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21

### **Prayers for our Mission Partners**

- Alice Cornes: pray for the new student group, a mix of Christians and notyet-Christians: that they would continue to grow together and that they would move forward to Life Groups and evangelistic groups respectively.
- Katharine Fairbairn: pray for the on-going work of Crossteach in Tunbridge Wells; may the school students hear the Gospel in the activities she runs in the schools and respond to Jesus.
- Sarah Baldwin: pray for her health and energy levels in her work with Mission Assist. Also, please pray for the health of her computer equipment

   essential for her translation work.

## Pray for our preachers on Sunday 8th December

8.00am (Revelation 5:1-14)	Steve Rees
9.15am (Revelation 5:1-14	Steve Rees
10.45am (Revelation 5:1-14)	Steve Rees
10.45am St Richard's (Revelation 4)	Mark Rapley
6.30pm (Luke 1:39-56)	Pete Winstone

#### **Church Family Prayers**

- As Advent starts and many of us use the Advent devotionals, pray that we meet with the Lord and be encouraged by His word.
- Pray for our Christmas services and the Honest Questions follow-up course in January. Praying for more conversions!
- •Please pray for Praise and Prayer that many more would come to join us on Wednesday this week.

Prayer Support is available for anyone in the church. If you or someone you know might benefit contact Pat Lockley.

#### Food Bank requests

Non-Biological Wash Pods

Christmas Food Products
Tinned Macaroni Cheese
Instant Mash Potato
Sponge Puddings
Tinned Fruit
Tinned Meat

Pasta Sauce
100g Jars Instant Coffee
Honey, Jam, Chocolate Spread
Peanut Butter, Marmite
Ladies Deodorant
Shower Gel

500g packs of Rice

# **Church Family News**

- Praise and Prayer Wed 4th Dec at 7.30pm in the Main Worship Area. We will be praying for Christmas, our vision as a church, particular serving needs and our Mission Partners.
- Some Advent devotionals 'Sing in Exultation' remain. £1 each
- 3. Christmas. We have the amazing opportunity to welcome visitors to a variety of services and events celebrating the birth of the Lord Jesus. Please take a bundle of leaflets to invite family and friends. We need the Church Family (that's you!) to make it happen. Please sign up at Opportunities to serve to help, particular needs at Christingle service <a href="https://bit.ly/40w3OyK">https://bit.ly/40w3OyK</a>
- 4. **Thirsty Christmas** Friday 6th Dec. An evening of praise, worship and reflection. 7.30pm for 8pm service. Everyone is welcome to join us.
- Light up a Life service on Sat 7th
   Dec. A time to remember and
   celebrate the lives of those who are
   no longer with us. Refreshments at
   4:30pm, service at 5pm. Donations
   to Hospice in the Weald. All
   welcome.
- 6. **John Hobbs'** funeral is in Church on Mon 9th Dec, 12pm. Everyone welcome.
- 7. The Church of England wants to increase the awareness of safeguarding in our churches by asking anyone who volunteers to do Safeguarding training. If you volunteer, please could you complete Basic Training at

- https://bit.ly/40VVE3g and send the certificate to safeguarding@allsaintscrowboroug h.org
- 8. Christingle Making on Monday 23rd Dec in the Downstairs Rooms at 10am. Do come along and help we have 100s to assemble. All ages welcome.
- Christmas Lunch at All Saints 12.30pm - 3.30pm on 25th December. All welcome. Book to come to the lunch here <a href="https://bit.ly/3Cpk4rm">https://bit.ly/3Cpk4rm</a>
- 10. Bible Reading Notes. Do you struggle to open the Bible daily?
  No idea where to start? Then try Bible reading notes, which give you a short passage and a reflection.
  To stop/start/amend a subscription please speak to Caroline Westwood.
- 11. Help needed: Our evangelistic
  Tuesday kids group Adventurers
  (yrs 3-6) is growing, but we can't
  accept any more children until we
  have more team members. Could
  you help weekly on Tuesdays 4:005:45? Getting to know children,
  leading crafts and games with the
  option of giving Bible teaching.
  Contact Sarah Thrift
  (sarah@allsaintscrowborough.org)
- 12. Parking at church during the Christmas period. Please use the church car parks, where possible, when attending services and events. If you need to park on the road please DO NOT park on double yellow lines.
- 13.

# Meetings in the Week please pray for them

Mon 2nd Church closed during the day for organ voicing

<u>Prayer Group</u> in Hope Café at 7.15pm. **Life series** in Wethersoons, 7.30pm

**Aquila Self-Help Course** in The Coffee Bar at 7.45pm.

<u>Tues 3rd</u> <u>Chat@Hope Café</u> in Hope Café 10am-12pm.

<u>Tuesday Bible School</u> in the Downstairs Rooms at 10am.

Children's & Youth Clubs

\* Heroes 4.30pm - 5.30pm.

\* Adventurers 4.30pm - 5.30pm.

\* ASK Youth 6.30pm - 8pm.

Song Writing Group in the Coffee Bar at 7pm.

Music Group in the Main Worship Area at 8pm.

Wed 4th Craft Group in the Coffee Bar at 10am.

<u>English Classes</u> in Hope Café at 11am. <u>Craft Group</u> in the Coffee Bar at 2pm.

<u>Wednesday Worship</u> in the Prayer Chapel at 2.30pm. **Praise & Prayer** in the Main Worship Area at 7.30pm.

Thurs 5th Women's Revive & Prayer in Hope Café at 9am.

**Trebles** in the Music Room at 4.30pm.

<u>Civic Carol Service</u> in the Main Worship Area at 7.30pm. Church Family Prayers in the Prayer Chapel at 9.30am.

Noah's Ark in the Downstairs Rooms at 9.30am.

Hope Café with Grove Park School in Hope Café from 10am.

<u>Christmas Choir</u> downstairs from 8pm. <u>Thirsty Christmas</u> 7.30pm for 8pm start.

Sat 7th Hope Café with Fay & Greg in Hope Café at 10am.

**Light up a Life Service** in the Main Worship Area 4.30pm tea

5pm service

Fri 6th

Contact: <u>Deadline for newsletter is Tuesday at 10am</u>

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