



## St John the Evangelist, Dormansland

Notice Sheet – 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

#### Services & activities for coming weeks

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 8am Holy Communion Service at St John's (KS)**

**10am Christingle Service at St John's (NH)**

**Introit** – *Light of the world* (Tim Hughes video), **Gradual** – *Jesus shall Reign* (277), **Offertory** – *Colours of the Day* (87), **Post Communion** – *Shine Jesus Shine* (317)

**4pm Informal Worship at St John's**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. - 9am 'Morning Prayer' on Zoom the link is -**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81989590555?pwd=MUNnb0NwaUpUbHBiMnQzVm9wd0Q4UT09>

Meeting ID: 819 8959 0555 Passcode: 149674

**Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> Dec – 10am Communion Service at Lingfield (IW)**

**8pm Compline 'on zoom' (RH)**

**Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - 12noon** - Funeral of Kenneth Shipp conducted by Revd Nigel Hinton. Direct Cremation to follow.

**Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - 6.15pm** - Lighting the Christmas Tree followed by carols and refreshments at St John's

#### NEXT SUNDAY

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. – Advent 3**

**8am – Holy Communion at St John's**

**10am – Parish Communion at St John's (NH)**

**4pm – Informal evening worship at St John's**

#### SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

##### SERVICE PATTERN

The pattern of services for Sunday, at present, is a 10am Communion each week with a **4pm Service usually on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays** each month (4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Dec) and an **8am services on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays** (4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Dec). Revd Kevin Scully would normally take the Service on the First Sunday of the month.

##### OFFERTORY

The offertory is now being collected during the Service. There is a contactless machine by the table as you come in. Follow the instructions and alter the amount as you wish. There is also a QR code (on the church wall with instructions and on this notice sheet), for payment by mobile phone.

##### CLEANING

Thank you to the November cleaning team. There will not be one in December as it happens to be Christmas Day! We will resume on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

##### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**Wednesday December 14th at 9am** -Dormansland School Christmas Service at St John's

**Sunday December 18th at 6.30pm** - Lessons & Carol Service at St John's (helpers with singing needed)

**Monday December 19th at 12.30pm** - Christmas Service of Carols & readings at Greathed Manor

**Saturday December 24th** normal Crib (in afternoon) and Midnight services (11.30pm)

**Sunday December 25th** 8am Said Communion and 10am Short Family Communion Service.

#### REGULAR WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES

##### THE HUB

St John's are providing a warm hub opportunity in the village this winter. The Centenary Rooms will be open every Tuesday from 9am till 3pm. The Baptist Church will do the same on a Friday each week. Wi-Fi, warmth, and hot drinks will be on offer as well as a light lunch (soup and bread) at St John's.

##### MEETING UP

This will be the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month. The next is the **6<sup>th</sup> December** at 10.30am-12.00pm in the Centenary Room. Tea/coffee and cake served from 10:30am. It is open to anyone in the village so do invite neighbours to this fortnightly social occasion.

### HOME GROUPS

The evening Group meets on a Monday Evening at the Vicarage. The Wednesday afternoon group meets at various homes around the village. For more details of either meeting contact Nigel or Ros on 01342 832391

### HEARING SUPPORT

We are aiming to reintroduce the hearing support services once more. These will be available during the 2nd MEETING UP session each month - on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month between 10.30 and 12 Noon. This month it will be the **20<sup>th</sup> December**. See Ros Hinton for more details.

### *OTHER NOTICES FOR ST JOHN'S*

### LIGHTING THE CHRISTMAS TREE

This takes place on Friday December 9th at 6.15pm. We are hoping again to have a very special visitor so do let people know. It will be good to have a number there to help with the singing of the carols.

### VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

We are looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to come onto the rota for opening and locking the main church door and the Centenary Room gate. This would involve a weekly slot on the rota (to open Thursday to Saturday and to close Monday to Saturday) once every 6 or 7 weeks commencing in February next year. If you would be willing to consider this and would like further particulars, could you please contact Clive Cobby.

### CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE

We are again collecting for Crawley Open House. Items required this month are Instant hot drinks and tinned tomatoes. Please place them in the box at the back of the Church.

### CHOIR

In the lead up to Christmas the choir is rehearsing every Friday 7-8pm in church. To find out more please email [mary.byers@btinternet.com](mailto:mary.byers@btinternet.com) and she will answer any questions you have about what is involved.

### MEETING UP CAKES

During the past year most of the burden for their provision has fallen on just two women. It would be good to have others help spread the load a little. Please let Nigel know if you could do this – say once every 2 or 3 months.

### EVENTS ELSEWHERE (chronologically)

### OPEN HOUSE

On December 18th between 2 and 4pm Ian, Kat and Oscar warmly invite you to an Open House at the Lingfield Vicarage. There will be Mulled Wine and Mince pies for all. Please come at any time during the two hours.

### ST BERNARD'S CHURCH, LINGFIELD – Saturday Lunches

A free simple lunch is offered in St Bernard's on the last Saturday of every month from 12:30pm

### CLARIDGE HOUSE – HAPPY CAFÉ

A meet up morning the first Wednesday of every month from 10.30am- 12.00pm. Everyone welcome, free tea, coffee, biscuits, and friendly chat. The next meet up is the **7<sup>th</sup> December**.

### NEW ART & MUSIC PROGRAMME AT ST PETER & ST PAUL'S

St Peter & St Paul's Church are excited to announce our new Art & Music Programme. Throughout the year we will be hosting talks, workshops, and concerts. Come along and join us. **Jingle Bell Jazz is now POSTPONED**. For more information email: [officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com](mailto:officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com)

### SUPPORT GROUP FOR EPILEPSY AND LEARNING DIFFICULTIES

**On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December from 1:30-3pm**, Revd Ian Whitley & Lisa O'Brien (Epilepsy Nurse Consultant) will be hosting a supportive group at St Peter & St Paul's Church, Lingfield, to help you navigate this complex road and meet other people in similar situations. The programme will be led by you to meet your needs. A chance to meet other parents/carers who support someone with epilepsy and/or learning difficulties. Free tea and coffee, a smile and someone to talk to.

Ellie Lester's hours are mornings Monday – Friday, not Tuesday. Contact her on 01342 832021 or email at [officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com](mailto:officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com)

This is the QR code for anyone wishing to make a donation towards the work of St John's via their mobile phone.

