Sunday 11th December 2022 THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Collect for the Week

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:
give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

10.00 am Eucharist with Baptism (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 Family Service with Christingle at the Church Centre

and on Zoom

Lead: Daphne Pilcher, Link: Wendy Anderson

Please see separate booklet

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO EVENING SERVICE TODAY DUE TO THE LACK OF HEATING



Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The altar flowers are given today by Nick Munro and family in ever loving memory of Vanessa Munro, taken so suddenly from us

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 12th December

9.30 am St Paul's School Carol Service **at the Church Centre** – The Vicar 10 am – 1 pm Church Centre open for private prayer

TUESDAY 13th

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 14th John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591 10 am – 1 pm Church Centre open for private prayer 12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre

THURSDAY 15th

10 am – 1 pm Church Centre open for private prayer 12 for 12:30 Christmas Lunch Club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 16th

10 am – 1 pm Church Centre open for private prayer
12:30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre
6:30 pm Junior Choir Practice
7:30 pm Full Choir Practice

SATURDAY 17th

10.00 am The Choir sing carols in the Village

NEXT SUNDAY 18th December THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10.00 am Joint Crib Service at the Parish Church

Followed by Shortened Eucharist

President: The Vicar

6.30 pm SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Ministers: The Vicar & Daphne Pilcher

NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Warm Christian greetings to you all on this third Sunday of Advent. Although the Parish Church is cold, I trust that we would have a great time of worship and fellowship and extend a special christian welcome to Evelyn and Caleb who are being baptised today. We also welcome those attending our Christingle Service at the Church Centre. May we use the services to renew our commitment to our Lord and Saviour, Jesus the Christ. Ronnie

URGENT - DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE FUTURE OF ST PAUL'S RUSTHALL

Saturday 21st January 2023 10 am to 3 pm (including lunch provision) At the Church Centre.

To run our Parish Churches costs significantly more than our current income. This is unsustainable and we seek God's guidance for our future.

ALL WELCOME - YOUR SUPPORT IS VITAL

YOUR PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Rota January and February

We are now preparing the first rota for 2023. It would be most helpful if you could let me know when you are unavailable for readings and prayers. Many thanks, Ginette.

St Paul's School

The Staff and Pupils of Rusthall St Paul's Primary School are holding their annual KS2 Carol Service at the **Church Centre** this year.

We would like to invite parishioners to join us tomorrow, Monday 12th December at 9.30 am for the service. We look forward to celebrating with you.

Choir CD's

Our Christmas music CD's are now available to buy from the back of both Churches at the end of services throughout December. Price is £7.99. If anyone wants to order one and cannot make it to Church they can email Jennifer(jenniferruthfarman@gmail.com) or contact Ginette in the office.

The Boiler at the Parish Church

We apologise that the boiler is still out of action, the Church is now extremely cold. We will not be having an evening service today but Nine Lessons and Carols will go ahead next Sunday at 6.30 pm. We hope that the boiler will have been repaired by then but if not do wrap up warm and come and enjoy some wonderful music and readings in the presence the Mayor of Tunbridge Wells.

Dennis Penfold

Dennis' funeral will be held at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Tuesday 13th December at 10 am.

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