

Family Communion

Collect for Sunday

Blessed Lord,
who hast caused all holy Scriptures
to be written for our learning:
Grant that we may in such wise hear them,
read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them,
That by patience and comfort of thy holy Word,
we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of
everlasting life,
which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Matthew 3:1-12
(page 5 in the NT of the Church Bibles)
Read by Matthew Laynesmith

*The service is presented by the children and their
leaders*

Eucharist celebrated by Revd Christine Bainbridge
Prayers led by Amy, Dora & Juna

Hymns for Today

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

He came down

Soon and very soon

Wait for the Lord

Eat this bread, drink this cup

You shall go out with joy

*All are invited to come for communion and prayer.
If you do not wish to take communion, please come for prayer. If you have any
particular need, problem or prayer request please speak to a member of the clergy
after the service.*

Children & Young People

Today is a Family Communion when
the children will collect together in the
foyer as they arrive for the service.
Whoever is taking the service will
bring them all in holding the stole, to
sit in the front row of chairs for most
of the service.



**Church Lunch today
Sunday, please stay if you
are able!**

DISPLAY CABINET IN THE CHURCH ENTRANCE

*Have you looked at the Cubs display in at the
moment?*

We are trying to change the display every 4 to 6
weeks to encourage people to look in.
*Do you have anything you could like share with the
Congregation and Church visitors ?*

For instance what you have been doing, your
favourite charity, hobby, holiday, job, history, travel,
a collection of crockery or glass wear, ornaments,
stamps, coins, post cards, pictures, paintings,
photos.

In the pipe line for the future are - "Forms of
Transport" "Maps" "Pet Cats"

We would be happy to arrange the display if you do
not want to do it yourself.

Suggestions Ideas and offers to Chris Smith on
[Tel:9264838](tel:9264838) or tell Fr. Vincent or Fr. Gary.

November Green Tip



Free or inexpensive help in making your
home warmer in winter is provided by

1. the Council's Winter Watch
s c h e m e [http://
www.reading.gov.uk/residents/
care-and-support-for-adults/
winterwatch/](http://www.reading.gov.uk/residents/care-and-support-for-adults/winterwatch/)
2. local voluntary group Draught Busters [http://
readinguk.org/draughtbusters/about-
draughtbusters/](http://readinguk.org/draughtbusters/about-draughtbusters/)

Traidcraft Christmas stall



please come and have a
peep to see what is new.
There are some inspirational
and beautiful Christmas gifts!

Church Lunches.

The total raised from the November lunch
amounted to £180 and this sum has been passed
to Tearfund towards their ongoing relief work in
Haiti, stated to be the poorest country in the
western hemisphere.

Read more about Tearfund's involvement with
this country at www.tearfund.org. And thank you
to everyone who donated!




Taize
Tonight from 6:30 pm
Taize songs, prayers, Bible
readings
and silence followed by sharing our
journeys over tea/coffee & cakes.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Rudi Kelly & Chloe White (7th)
Rosetta Jamfi & Jewel Sabu (8th)
Mark Laynesmith (9th)



- Prayers for Spence and the family
- Prayers for Jean Skusse
- Give thanks for a clear biopsy result for Mike Kennedy
- Prayers for Don and Ruth Mason
- Prayers for Jenny Sullivan who used to worship at St John's. She has finished her treatment and waiting for the results of her PET scan.

Items for prayer and notices
 Please give any items for prayer or notices to Revd Vincent Gardner *before* 9 am on Wednesday by pigeon hole, e-mail or phone.



Church Diary

Sun 4th	10.30am	Family Communion <i>Followed by Church Lunch</i>
	6.30pm	Taize
Mon 5th	9am	Morning Prayer
	10am-12pm	English Class
	1-3pm	Monday Monsters
Tues 6th	9.45-11am	Fireside—Cafe <i>A discussion group looking at elements of Christianity</i>
Weds 7th	1.30-3.30pm	Oasis
	6-9pm	Cubs & Scouts
Thurs 8th	10.45 am	Cafe Communion
	11.15 am	Coffee morning
Fri 9th	9am	Morning Prayer
Sun 11th	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
	2-5pm	Contact Centre

Small Groups



Oasis (Bridget Barwick).....	966 9735	Wed 1.30pm
Bill & Chris Gothard (Crofts)	966 3511	Thurs 8 pm
Jeremy and Rachel Thake ..	987 1288	Thurs 8.30 pm
Judith Lawrence	954 1332	Thurs 7.30 pm

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Second Sunday in Advent
4th December 2016
Family Communion

Don't rush away! Please feel free to join us after the morning service for a cup of coffee or tea. We look forward to your company.



4th December—Marian Harwood & Friends
 11th December—Thake Homegroup

The link person from the Welcome Team today
 Ian Maynard