NOTICES CONTINUED

In church this week -

Wednesday 24th November 9.30 am Said Eucharist Service 2.30 pm Christian Faith Course

(Course in Lychgate Cottage)

Thursday 25th November 1.15 pm Funeral

Forthcoming Events

The Advent Carol Service is taking place on the 28th of November at 6 pm. It will give us the opportunity to sing carols with the expectation of waiting for Christmas.

Great is Thy Faithfulness Pilot Programme 2022

Bishop Martin has invited us to join in a pilot development programme designed to help church congregations pray about and reflect on our shared baptismal vocation and to encourage us to think more intentionally about church growth in all of its dimensions.

There are only 16 parishes across the Diocese being asked to participate at this stage. The pilot runs from January 2022 to June 2023 although volunteers will initially be asked to commit only from January 2022 to about May 2022. Participation sessions with the Revd Canon Rob Dillingham are on 27th January 2022, Thursday 10th February 2022, Thursday 24th February 2022, Thursday 10th March 2022, Thursday 24th March 2022 Thursday 7th April 2022 – with reflective Parish based prayer group sessions in between.

We have been twinned with the parish of St Barnabas Pound Hill and St Nicholas Worth and we will play hosts for the first session in January 2022.

I would ask you to commit to the both the Zoom sessions and the Parish prayer and reflective sessions. We will be prayed for weekly by name at the Cathedral and to get the opportunity to attend evensong in the Cathedral in November next year. We will also have planned visits from Bishop Ruth and Archdeacon Angela during this time.

If anyone would like to volunteer then please find the sign-up sheet in the church.

I hope you will be enthused to join in with this pilot programme.

WELCOME TO ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, IFIELD





Please join us

Here at St. Margaret's we are delighted to open our church again daily from 8:30 am till 6 pm to enable people to use this building individually for private prayer.

Although this building has been shut, the 'church' has remained open and active, working to serve our community and continuing to gather online.

Please do look at our website

www.ifieldparish.org or our group

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for more details of our online services, how to join them, and discover how the church is active and at work proclaiming in this community, that in Jesus you are "Loved as you are".

21st November 2021	Christ The King
Services next Sunday: Advent Sunday	Sung Eucharist Service (11 am)
For our prayers The Parish:	Patching Close, Peverel Road, Pinova Close and Pippin Link, Metcalf Way, Mole Close and Mulberry Road
The Sick:	Patients of Langley Green Hospital and William MacKeen, Myra Tyson, Bertie, Alison Tucknott, Jim, Richard Aldridge, Jean Bovis, Pat Hollis, The Clubb family, John Wheeler, Lydia Staniford and Malcolm
The Departed:	Sylvia Flatt, Steve James and Venice Daley
Year's mind:	Lynn Roberts, Karen Smith, Lee Baker, Karl Browne, Winifred Hall, Annie Robert , Michael Rowsell and Geraint Thomas

NOTICES

My family and I would like to thank all those who have expressed their love, support, and prayers for us and for Ron; for all the wonderful cards we have received, and for taking the time to attend Ron's funeral. We have felt God's love and your love at this difficult time, and Ron would have been amazed by it all. Jane Binmore x

Help wanted and needed to build a stable! Are there any volunteers willing to help make a stable surround for the Crib service – we don't need a full construction with planning permission etc (!) I could just use some help to build something that from a distance gives a vague impression of a stable shape?

If you think you can help with either materials or actual building please speak to me. Many thanks Christine

Wednesday Said Eucharistic Services are restarting on the 13th of October at **9.30** am and will be taking place on the 2nd and the 4th Wednesday's of each month.

This November there will be the start of a series of courses looking at one of the central tenets of our Christian faith. The first course will begin on **Wednesday 3rd November at 2.30 pm.** The Advent course is the second one which will take place on **Tuesday** afternoons beginning on **Tuesday 30th November** at **2.30 pm.** The sessions will last about an hour and will be in church unless otherwise indicated. Please see the poster on the notice board for more information.

Sylvia Flatt's funeral is taking place on the 25th of November at 11.15 am in church.

Easter Team Foodbank: Thanks for your donations again this time, a wonderful boot load delivered on Tuesday for which Easter Team as always were truly grateful. Client numbers are increasing although it's pleasing to see that for some, who have had regular food parcels in the past, things are improving, as they're asking less often now.

And, in case you weren't aware, your donations also help Open House which is supported from the Easter Team food bank depot.

All non perishable foodstuffs gratefully accepted but there's still a rice and pasta mountain ©

Please note. Ian Edgson is standing in for me next time as I'll be away, so watch this space for alternative drop off details. Donations left in the church basket will be collected as usual.

Thank you so much for your continued support everyone. Sue 🔐

The CAP Christmas Dinner is taking place on the 11th of December from 6 pm to 8.30 pm. If you are able to volunteer for the dinner please see the poster for more information.

CAP Christmas Hampers. Bring it, Make it, or Donate it. If you can donate items or financially donate to purchasing items please see the poster for more details.

Easy Fundraising. The parish has set up a fundraising account with Easy Fundraising: If you load the App on your smartphone and computer then online purchases from a huge range of suppliers (eg. Amazon, eBay, Tesco, Iceland, Argos, Decathlon, M&S, John Lewis, WHSmith Curry's. AO, apple, <u>Booking.com</u> etc) will result in automatic donations being made to St. Margaret's Church, Ifield. As we now buy so much online this is an easy way to help us at no additional cost - a win-win solution.

Alternatively you can use the link below which takes you direct to our page. https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmargaretsifield/?q=St%20Margarets%20-%20Ifiel&cat=cause-autosuggest

For more information on Save West of Ifield please refer to this website: www.savewestofifield.co.uk

LOVE CHRISTMAS IS BACK!

After the success of Love Christmas 2020, we're excited to be launching Love Christmas 2021! We'll be packing and delivering bags of kindness around Crawley the week commencing the 6th December.

This year we plan to deliver 1000 bags of kindness to families and individuals across Crawley, and we would love for as many people as possible to be too involved: **Nominate** – We want you to nominate your neighbour, those on your street that you may not know as well as you would like. All you need to do is complete the nomination form that can be found on the LYN page on our Website.

Pack – With us having 1000 bags to pack we're going to need many hands to make light work.

Donate – For us to be able to gift as many people in the community as we can we need to raise funds to fill the bags with wonderful treats and gifts. You can do this by clicking on the donate button on the LYN page of our website.

Deliver – If you have nominated someone in your street we would love to have you also deliver this bag (of course you don't need to nominate to be able to deliver). We aim to have a wave of conversation around Crawley telling people about the Christmas message!

For more information please contact the LYN Crawley team by popping us an email at lyncrawley@stjohnscrawley.com

#mybagsofkindness #LoveChristamsLYN #Churchestogether #LYN #loveyourneighbour #LYNcrawley #loveyourneighbourcrawley #christmas #christmas2021 #christmasmessage

See <u>www.ifieldparish.org</u> for service times, The Buzz, current service sheets, Church groups and events

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'Accept one another, then, for the glory of God, as Christ has accepted you.' (Romans 15:7)