

Reflection

In the past week we have seen and heard about the devastation caused by the horrific earthquake in Turkey and Syria. It is so hard to imagine what those immediately affected are going through and we can feel incredibly helpless in how we can help. As Christians we have the wonderful gift of prayer, in addition to the practical and financial support we can give. We serve a God of love, a God who cares about all people.

In our time of prayer together let us plead to the Lord for His intervention and Devine provision for those affected. Oswald Chambers said the following: 'We tend to use prayer as a last resort, but God wants it to be our first line of defence. We pray when there's nothing else we can do, but God wants us to pray before we do anything at all.'

What we have to offer is love. We love because God loves us -

"Let me give you a new command: Love one another. In the same way I loved you, you love one another. This is how everyone will recognise that you are my disciples - when they see the love you have for each other."

John 13:34-35 (MSG)

What God offers to us is hope -

"This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It leads us through the curtain into God's inner sanctuary."

Hebrews 6:19 (NLT)

Then, when we have hope, we can finally see the wood for the trees and know that any attempts we make to help those in need, have surely been blessed by God and is of His will.

Pieter

Sunday 12th February 2023 2nd Sunday before Lent

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

Welcome, Notices

Opening Prayer, Confession

Worship

Sing Glory 59 Praise to the Lord the Almighty Open the eyes of my heart I see the king of glory

Bible Reading

Matthew 5 v 21-37

Sermon

Intercessions

Worship

Sing Glory 222 When the music fades

Final Prayer & Blessing

6.30pm Evening Worship - Go Deeper



For online zoom coffee after morning church today



(Sunday 12th February 2023) join **Heather Kroiter** from 11.45am:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/84 610974627?pwd=Z1g4TzIvVF VtcEUxeGRWbIFLUDVuZz09

Meeting ID: 846 1097 4627

Passcode: R4V5My

Collection for aid work in Turkey and Syria

Just to let you know, this Sunday, 12th February at the 10.30am service we will be taking up a special collection for the aid work in Turkey and Syria should you wish to contribute.

Easter Leaflets

Our Easter Leaflets are now ready for delivery and have been left at the back of the church separated into piles for each road in the parish.

If you are able to help with the distribution of these, it would be most appreciated, just pick a pile which is most convenient for you.

Thank you so much!

Café Mosaic

We are shut this week as it's half term.

We will be doing Cream & Afternoon Tea on Friday 24th February, 12-2pm

No Community Club this week as its half-term

Next issue of **Family News** is **Saturday 18th February 2023**

Can you please send notices etc to Vernon by

12noon on Friday 17th February please
for inclusion in Family News

Email is vandjmapp@gmail.com

NB Late entries cannot be accepted for this issue

"If you would like to give to Christ's work here at Christ Church, the best way to give is via our bank account, Sort code 40 52 40, and account number 00095465, or by sending a cheque payable to

'Christ Church PCC Orpington'

to 165 Charterhouse Road, Orpington, Kent BR6 9EP

Northumbria Daily Prayer

You are invited to come along to Daily Prayer at 9.00-9.20am in the chapel on Mondays and Tuesdays.

There will be readings from Scripture, a short meditative reading, prayer, reflection and silence.

Dates we are meeting in February are: 13th, 20th and 21st February

Warm Space

can anyone please volunteer to help with 'warm space' on a Sunday at Christ Church?

if anyone would like to know more about what is required when helping out, or any other questions, please contact Mandy Callaghan

Electoral Roll

- ➤ Do you consider yourself to be a member of the congregation of this church?
- Would you like to enter more fully into the life of the church?
- ➤ Why not make 2023 the year you put your name on the church Electoral Roll as a commitment?

Application forms can be found at the back of church together with an explanatory leaflet 'Belonging and the Electoral Roll'. Complete the form and return it via a church officer or Roger Wilkinson

Cafe Mosaic

Cafe Mosaic is in need of more volunteers to keep providing a good service to our customers. Can you help between 9.00am-2.30pm on Wednesdays and Fridays during term time.

If you can't do an entire shift an hour or two would be great or even be on a reserve list to cover illness or holidays.

For more information, contact Jeanette on 07445477710, email jeanettexox@hotmail.com

The Data Protection Act 2018 is the **UK's implementation** of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

Everyone responsible for using personal data has to follow strict rules called 'data protection principles'. They must make sure the information is: used fairly, lawfully and transparently.

Meina is our GDPR representative and if anyone has any queries relating to GDPR to please contact her on: gdpr@ccorpington.org



Have you joined us in the last couple of years?

You are invited to a

Newcomers

Welcome Afternoon

Tea

Sunday 19th February 3.30pm at Christ Church

RSVP to Greta via ccorpington@talktalk.net or 01689 871601 answerphone



WANTED OUR MOST NEEDED ITEMS ARE:

Tinned Potatoes

Jam

Fruit Juice

Canned Fruit

Squash

Cooking Sauces

Hot Chocolate

Long Life Bags

PLEASE **DON'T** GIVE US **FROZEN** OR **CHILLED** ITEMS AS WE DON'T HAVE THE CORRECT STORAGE FOR IT AND IT SPOILS BEFORE WE CAN DISTRIBUTE IT

WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF: PASTA, CEREAL, TEA & BISCUITS

TAKE A PHOTO OF THIS LIST WITH YOUR PHONE TO REFER TO WHILE YOU SHOP!

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF FOOD SUPPORT PLEASE CONTACT US ON 0800 9 20 23 24

2023 Services at Christ Church Orpington

Sunday 12th February

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship – Go Deeper

Sunday 19th February

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Holy Communion - Reflect

Sunday 26th February

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship – Go Deeper

Sunday 5th March

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Worship – Reflect

Sunday 12th March

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship – Go Deeper