



“Cast all your cares/anxiety on Him because He cares for you.” (1 Peter 5:7, NIV)

I often, as I am sure most of us do, ask myself the question about WHY there is so much suffering and injustice around us. Not just around us, the suffering and turmoil within us can sometimes become unbearable... until we fall down on our knees and look up!

This wrestling match has been happening since the dawn of time and as we go through the Bible it is truly encouraging to find that believers in God (in the Old Testament) and followers of Jesus (in the New Testament) have struggled with the same questions.

People sometimes, in times of adversity, refer to 1 Corinthians 10:13 which states that "God will never give you more that you can handle."; but that refers to temptation in our lives. In reality I believe God often gives me more than I can handle; to make me realise just how much I cannot live without Him! I am challenged in these ways so that I can grow closer to God, so that I realise that I NEED a saviour and I cannot rely on my own strength. These struggles are pointers to Jesus!

So, as we pray together today let us go back to 1 Peter again and again, and then again; as we cast ALL our cares & anxieties on Him because He cares for us and wants to help us. And may I suggest, if it does not seem to work, keep doing it, again and again - Amen!

Pieter

BARN DANCE SOCIAL

Christ Church Orpington, Charterhouse Road
Saturday 10th February

Arrival at 6.30pm to start at 7pm and finish at 10.30pm

Buffet will be provided. Bring along
your favourite tippie

The cost is £10 plus
£10 voluntary contribution

All profits going to church funds

Payment for tickets be made to Katrina Beesley or
Mel Ketchin by the end of January please



Sunday 28th January 4th Sunday of Epiphany

9.00am Holy Communion

Welcome, Notices

Opening Prayer, Confession

Worship

Praise is rising
Jesus lover of my soul
Great are you Lord

Bible Reading

Deuteronomy 18 v 15-20

Sermon

Intercessions

Worship

Say the word
God has spoken by his prophets

Final Prayer & Blessing

6.30pm Evening Worship – Go Deeper



For online zoom coffee after morning church, join Heather from 11.45am

Meeting ID: 846 1097 4627

Passcode: R4V5My

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/84610974627?
pwd=Z1g4TzIvVFVtcEUxeGRWbIFLUDVuZz09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/84610974627?pwd=Z1g4TzIvVFVtcEUxeGRWbIFLUDVuZz09)

Family News notices

Next issue of Family News will be 3rd February with notices please by

midday, Friday 2nd February 2024

Vernon, Family News editor

My email is vandjmapp@gmail.com

Community Club, Tuesday 30th January

Pip Allen will be leading our worship time at 11am. All welcome. Tea and Coffee served from 10.30am

Our lunch menu is

- Carrot and coriander soup
- Beef casserole, potatoes and seasonal vegetables
- Orange semolina sponge and custard
- Tea or Coffee.

Orpington Odeon is showing a Christian film in February



Season 4 of 'The Chosen', episodes 1 to 2 is on Thursday 1st February only at 8pm

The Chosen is a major new drama series which has now reached the mid-point of Jesus' ministry.

"The best film about Jesus that I've ever seen" - Nicky Gumbel

Episodes 3 to 5 will then be shown Thursday 15th February only.

Episodes 6 to 8 will be shown on Thursday 29th February.

We are encouraged to go and see this extremely good film of the life of Christ.

For details and to book, go to: thechosentv.co.uk

Cafe Mosaic will reopen on **Friday 2nd February** 9.15am-2.00pm (last orders 1.30pm).

The special will be

three Cumberland sausages, creamy mash with either garden peas or baked beans for £6.50

Barry Remnant

On Thursday 8th February, 12noon, there will be a Service of Thanksgiving for Barry's life to which all are welcome.

Coffee & Cake Café

On **Wednesday 7th February**, the **Coffee & Cake Café** will be opening **10am-2pm** and then every Wednesday during term time after that. Do come or come with others for home-made cake and a variety of coffees and tea. There will not be any fixed prices but you are encouraged to make a suitable donation. Cards can be used

Calling cake makers and any who want to serve

We are looking for any who would be happy to make cakes perhaps once a month to provide home-made cakes for the Café.

We are also looking for volunteers who would be happy to serve on a Wednesday for about 4 hours greeting people, serving cakes and coffee and taking donations.

Please contact Emma on 07429 859352 for any offers to help

The Café will also continue on Fridays in the normal way starting back on **2nd February**

Winter Ice!

The facilities team has come into possession of a large quantity of Rock Salt, suitable for de-icing driveways, paths, car parks etc. Buying in bulk has significantly lowered the cost. We are offering 25kg bags for a minimum donation of £12 each to anyone who wants it, just contact Mike or Jim.

A £12 donation will mean the church coffers will get a few quid, and you still get a bargain! email: facilities@ccorpington.org, or see you around!

"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

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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

Northumbria Morning Prayer



You are invited to join in Northumbria Morning Prayer at 9.00-9.20am in the chapel on Mondays and Tuesdays.

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

Dates for Jan: **29th & 30th.**

Dates for Feb: 5th & 6th, 19th & 20th, 26th & 27th

For more details about the Northumbria Community and Northumbria Daily Prayer

<https://www.northumbriacommunity.org/offices/how-to-use-daily-office/>



TICKETS OUT NOW! 🎉🎉 Join us at our FAB, FAMILY FRIENDLY, FEBRUARY FUN DAY on **Sat 10th Feb**, from **2pm to 6 pm** at **Christ Church Chislehurst**, 40 Lubbock Road, Chislehurst BR7 5JJ. Mike and the team are preparing a day of MEGA fun with a family-friendly team quiz and challenges, themed around our 'It's Jesus' assemblies. We're raising awareness, raising funds, AND raising the fun, feel-good factor of your February. **DON'T MISS OUT!**

<https://www.spinnaker.org.uk/events/spintastic>

what's on at Christ Church Orpington

Sunday 4th February

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Worship – Reflect

Sunday 11th February

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

No evening service - Half Term



- **tinned vegetables**
- **squash**
- **cooking sauces**
- **desserts, sponge pudding, jelly**

Also in gluten-free and reduced-sugar products if possible

- **shampoo and conditioner**

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

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

Orpington Deanery Synod focus on Safeguarding

Thursday 8th February 2024

St Giles Centre, Church Road, Farnborough, Kent BR6 7DB.

(Some parking on forecourt and more on road)

7:15pm for refreshments for a 7:45pm start.

Hear and share issues of Safeguarding in Churches as we support one another to honour Jesus' call to love one another and "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves"

Proverbs 31 v 8

Open to all.





"Human Jukebox"



sponsored carol singing/worship songs!

"Can't get Christmas carols out of your head?!

Are you trying to remember a worship tune?

Or learn a new one? Or show the kids? Do you miss a hymn?

Do you want to share a favourite song recording with a relative?

"I know the tune, I'll try to sing it for you!" Pip

Sat

- * Saturday 27th Jan 11am-12.45pm
- * Tuesday 30th Jan 12.15-2.30pm
- * Wednesday 7th Feb 11am-1.30pm
- * Saturday 10th Feb 4-6pm

Please help us raise money for **Holiday Club & Messy Church!**

Sponsor **Pip**, per song, per 30mins, per day, or just overall!

Please share any spare pennies you have,
or use our new PayCard machine in church,
or our usual BACS Sort code 40 52 40/ac 00095465

- 😊 Come & watch/listen/laugh, or even join in if you fancy a singalong, or a jam session!
- 😊 Or come & request your favourite carol, hymn or worship song
- 😊 Or leave a JukeBox request via the office, or text or email!
- 😊 Or pay to shut me up!

Thanks for your help!

Pip Allen (Messy Church/Holiday Club Minister)

messychurch@ccorpington.org





“Human Jukebox 2024”

Sponsored Singing SONG REQUEST & Donation Form!

NAME: _____ **Mob.no.** _____

Please help us raise money for **Holiday Club** & **Messy Church** by sponsoring **Pip**

“WHEN would you like me to sing your Song?” *(please tick or fill in)*

- Saturday 27th Jan 11am-12.45pm tester
- Tuesday 30th Jan 12.15-2.30pm CCCC day
- Wednesday 7th Feb 11am-1.30pm New Café day
- Saturday 10th Feb 4-6pm – Kids’ time! Barn Dance day

If I know the tune, I’ll try to sing it for you!” **Pip**

“WHAT SONG would you like?” + any special requests? eg. Verses nos. etc

Carol _____

Hymn _____


worship songs _____

NB Do you want an audio recording to share with an older relative? Yes / No

HOW do I help? “I am going to pay Pip by..” *(please tick or fill in)*

- per song £ _____
- per 30 mins £ _____
- per day £ _____
- Overall Donation £ _____

USING

- spare change **cash** (to **Pip** during event? **OR** XCh Office?)
- the new **PayCard machine** at the back of Church 
- our usual XCh online **BACS** Sort code 40 52 40/ac 00095465



Thanks **SO MUCH** for your help, support and donations! **£ RECEIVED** by _____

Pip Allen (Messy Church/Holiday Club Minister) messychurch@ccorpington.org





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SCAN Me
to Book !



Church. But not as you know it ...

ALL AGES VERY WELCOME!

Join us for **Messy Fun** once a month

4-6pm on a **Saturday** afternoon !

Enjoy creative activities, Bible stories,
puppets, songs, games & food together

NEXT : Saturday 3rd February 2024 ~

“Messy Welcome Baby !”

at **Christ Church Orpington**

Charterhouse Road, Orpington, BR6 9EP

Children must bring their grown-ups!

Please book via our website or the QR code to the Eventbrite link

<https://www.ccorpington.org/messy-church>

£1.50 per adult & £1 per child (or £5 per family)

Donations would be gratefully received !

Next Dates – 9th March, 13th April, 11th May 2024

Any questions? Contact **Pip Allen** **messychurch@ccorpington.org**

Christ-centred all age creativity hospitality celebration