



Christ
Church
Orpington

Family News 3rd September 2022

Family News notices for the next issue by

12noon Friday 9th September please

email: vandjmapp@gmail.com

Reflection

Every day I want to hold onto the fact, yes the fact, that God is good! Mankind is all too often flawed, evil, self-serving and full of hatred for self and others... but God is good, always!

It doesn't matter how desperate we are or how bad our circumstances get, I need to hold onto the fact that God is good.

"Dear friend, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. Anyone who does what is good is from God. Anyone who does what is evil has not seen God."
3 John 1:11 NIV

I am certain that many of you may be familiar with Ezekiel 37. I find these words, bizarre as it may seem, so wonderful and encouraging. It's gripping and descriptive in a way that makes me pay attention!

"I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord." Ezekiel 37:6 NIV

Where there is no life, only destruction and where hope has completely disappeared; right there in that place of pain and anguish, God intervenes with his Son, Jesus Christ. Before our very eyes life enters the dry bones and full restoration happens. Through the very presence of the Lord, we can stand up again. Please read all of Ezekiel 37 1-14 and as we pray together, let us soak up what God is saying to you and me.

Pieter

Sunday 4th September 12th Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Holy Communion

Welcome, Notices

Opening Prayer, Confession

Worship

King of kings (In the darkness we were waiting)

God of grace

Lord Jesus Christ (You have come to us)

Bible Reading

1 Peter 1 v 1-12

Sermon

Intercessions

Peace

Worship

Living hope (How great the chasm)

Holy Communion

Worship

Rejoice, rejoice Christ is in you

Final Prayer & Blessing

For online zoom coffee after church for
Sunday 4th September,

join **Heather Kroiter** from 11.45am:



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84610974627?pwd=Z1g4TzIvVFVtcEUxeGRWb1FLUDVuZz09>

Meeting ID: 846 1097 4627

Passcode: R4V5My

6.30pm – Go Deeper



Community club resumes Tuesday 6th September

Rev Helen will be leading our Communion service at 11am. All welcome to join us.

Lunch menu

Vegetable soup
Roast pork and apple sauce, roast potatoes
and seasonal vegetables
Cheesecake
Tea or Coffee.

The team are really looking forward to us all being reunited.

Christ Church services...

Sunday 4th September

10.30am Holy Communion

Helen's 1st presiding over Holy Communion

Children and young people's groups re-start

6.30pm Evening Worship

Sunday 11th September

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship

Sunday 18th September

10.30am Morning Worship

Invitation Sunday

6.30pm Holy Communion

Sunday 25th September

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship

✚ Word Solution

ACROSS

1, Also. 3, Offering. 9, The Magi. 10, Rules. 11, Soper.
12, Help me. 14, Isaac and Jacob. 17, Scorch. 19, In man.
22, Loads. 23, Inertia. 24, Vicinity. 25, Belt.

DOWN

1, Artistic. 2, Sleep. 4, Faith in Christ. 5, Enrol. 6, Islamic.
7, Gasp. 8, Fabric. 13, Abundant. 15, Archaic. 16, Jailer.
18, Resin. 20, Mitre. 21, Slav.

Sponsored Sleepover for Bromley Homeless

It's four years since we were last able to do a sponsored sleepover for Bromley Homeless but at long last, we are able to do so again - on the evening of **Saturday 8th October**. Please do consider sponsoring us by going to:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/andy-and-alan-goddard>

And if you would like to join us, we can give you details of how to do this.

Alan and Andy Goddard

Safeguarding

Following on from Safeguarding Sunday we will be running a face to face awareness session on Safeguarding and Domestic Abuse on **Saturday 17th September**. The sessions will run in the small hall at the following times with light refreshments available between the sessions

Safeguarding Foundation Level 0930 – 1100 hours

Domestic Abuse Awareness 1130 – 1230 hours

These sessions are available for anyone on the PCC, those working with our young people and those who lead small groups and pastoral visitors. There are 24 places available and they should be booked via Anna Carey at anna@ccorpington.org. You can book for one or both courses on this date.

The option to complete by e-learning is still available and these modules can be accessed via [Safeguarding Training Portal \(cofeportal.org\)](https://cofeportal.org) from where you can create your own user account. Once the module is completed, I would be grateful if a copy of the certificate of completion could be emailed to me at safeguarding@ccorpington.org for our records.

If this is still on your "to do" list, please could I encourage you to complete this training soon. If you are refreshing your knowledge after 3 years, then you only need to complete the higher certificate which in the majority of cases will be the Foundation level. I hope that you find the modules both useful and stimulating.

In the meantime, if you have any questions about safeguarding please do not hesitate to contact me at safeguarding@ccorpington.org or speak to me in person.

Thank you for your continuing support

Keith Miller

Simon Rous

It is with huge sadness that we announce the tragic death of Simon Rous. Simon lived with limited mobility and chronic pain since his bike accident in November 2020, and on July 23rd, he chose to end his pain and go and be with the Lord.

Please remember Caroline, Sophie and Daniel in your prayers, holding them up to the Lord for His comfort, love and peace.

His funeral is at Christ Church on Thursday 8th September at 12 noon, and Caroline would like to invite any who would like to come, to be there.

*The LORD is close to the broken-hearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.
Psalm 34:18*

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


"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

Thank you so much for your wonderful generosity."

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Supporting The Friends of Welcare in Bromley



FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2022
8PM - 9:30PM

ST MARY'S CHURCH
COLLEGE ROAD
BROMLEY BR1 3QG

Buses: 126 / 261 / 314 / 336



Tickets £10 per person. Drinks available in the interval.
For more information and tickets visit www.welcare.org/events
Call: 020 7820 7910 Email: fundraising@welcare.org Or: pay at the door

Southwest Diocesan Mission is a Charity registered in England & Wales. Registered Charity Number: 1127059

 **WANTED**
OUR MOST NEEDED ITEMS ARE:

**Milk (Long Life), Coffee,
Sponge Pudding, Angel Delight dessert
Jelly, Sweets
Cooking Sauce, Soup**

Washing Up Liquid, Carrier 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, PULSES, 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**

FREEDOM IN CHRIST COURSE

Christ Church Orpington
Charterhouse Road, BR6 9EP



For more details and to book, please contact the office by emailing cco@talktalk.net or leave a message on 01689 871601

This is a 10-week life changing course which is designed to help every Christian become a fruitful disciple of our Lord.

It is an enjoyable course which will deepen your faith and is a natural follow on from the Alpha Course.

It comprises eleven sessions (including one Saturday) and is perfect for EVERYONE regardless of how long you have been a Christian or your background. It is particularly beneficial to leaders who wish to encourage all those for whom they care to enter into the fullness which God has for all of us.

If you have done this course before, please come along. The presentation has changed recently and includes many helpful testimonies of blessed lives. It's a good refresher.

Our heavenly Father wants all His children (especially you) to enjoy their lives to the full, experiencing the intimacy of His unconditional love, joy, peace, acceptance and knowing His will and purpose for your life.

The course offers a wonderful opportunity for us to explore together, in a very gentle way, exactly what freedom Jesus' death on the cross has achieved for us and what impact it can have on our day to day lives.

The course is completely confidential and is rooted only in Scripture.

It will take you through foundational Biblical truths which will bring you into the freedom that God desires. Each session you will be able to learn and apply these truths which will encourage you to embrace what God has for you.

Below is the schedule - Meet for refreshments at 7.30pm for an 8pm start until 9.30pm

Session 1	Introduction of the team and Who Am I?	Tuesday 13th September
Session 2	Father God and Choosing to believe the truth.	Tuesday 20th September
Session 3	The worlds view of truth.	Tuesday 27th September
Session 4	Our Daily choice.	Tuesday 4th October
Session 5	The battle for our minds.	Tuesday 11th October

Half Term – no session Tuesday 18th October

Session 6	Handling emotions well.	Tuesday 25th October
Session 7	Forgiving from the heart.	Tuesday 1st November

Freedom Day – Saturday 5th November

Session 8	Renewing the mind.	Tuesday 8th November
Session 9	Relating to others.	Tuesday 15th November
Session 10	What next?	Tuesday 22nd November

Hi everyone,

ORPINGTON FOOD FESTIVAL Sunday 4th September 2022

As you may be aware, Christ Church traditionally helps with the BBQ at this **Food Festival**.

Would you be available to help?

We will be heading down after our special service here at CCO (where our newly priested curate Helen will have taken her first communion) and you are welcome to walk down with us. We will be leaving after her celebration at about 12:40pm.

If you aren't planning on coming to the CCO service you can go down earlier and offer your services.

Many thanks, Sharon x

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SUNDAY SOCIAL

FOR ALL THE COMMUNITY

BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO THIS OUTREACH EVENT
FROM 12.30PM SUNDAY 4 SEPTEMBER
MARKET SQUARE, WALNUTS

Free BBQ - Live music from CTO band - Family Games

Coming up at Christ Church

Saturday 10th September	Messy Church 4-6pm
Sunday 18 September	Invitation Sunday 10.30am
Sunday 9th October	Harvest Festival 10.30am
Saturday 29th October	Messy Light Party 4-6pm
Sunday 13th November	Remembrance Day Service 10.30am Remembrance of the departed 4pm
Saturday 10th December	Messy Christmas & Christingle 4-6pm
Sunday 18th December	Crib Service 10.30am Carols by Candlelight 6.30pm
Saturday 24th December	Christmas Eve Mass 11.15pm
Sunday 25th December	Christmas Day Service 10.30am