

Week beginning 19 November 2023

10.00am Holy Communion

Hymns 366 O God our help in ages past
56 Be thou my vision
312 Lord Jesus think on me
147 From glory to glory advancing

Choir Psalm 90: 1-8
O Lord, increase our faith - Loosemore
Agnus Dei - Palestrina

WHAT'S ON IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

The church is open daily for private prayer and reflection from around 8.30am to dusk

Mon 20 Nov

9.45-11.30am Stepping Stones
2-3.30pm Church Women's Guild

Tues 21 Nov

1.00-4.00pm Archive Group
5.00pm Beacon Bundling

Weds 22 Nov

8.30am Morning Prayer in the Side Chapel
12noon Funeral for Roy Dodman
1.30pm Set-up stalls

Thurs 23 Nov

9.30am Holy Communion
10.00am Church Café, Chat and Stalls
10.30-11.30am CTF Desk in church
5.15pm Choir Practice

Fri 24 Nov

Sat 25 Nov

2.30pm Visiting Bell Ringers

Sun 26 Nov

10.00am Holy Communion with Baptism and Confirmations, led by Bishop Jane

Mon 27-Weds 29 Nov Preparations in church for the Tree Festival

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

† Our Bishops Graham, Jane and Ian.

† Our Archdeacons Catherine, Keith and especially Steven. Steven has been diagnosed with a treatable leukaemia and is facing a long journey of treatment.

† In the Diocesan Prayer Diary: Young Christian Leaders, that you empower them to shine brightly in their schools, churches and communities. Establish them in their faith and discipleship, inspiring others with their love, compassion and devotion to you.

† In the Deanery Prayer Diary: Churches Together.

† In the Parish Diary: Wensum Grange, Brick Kiln Road, Farm Drive.

† For our flower arranging team, their creativity and their closeness with nature.

† For peace with justice throughout the world.

† Those who have asked for our prayers, including: Jane, Debbs, Esther Hubbard, Stephen Watson, Lesley, Robert, Glenda Boley, George, Baby Noah, June Urry, Wendy Stephen, Peter, Maurice, Andy, Diana, Matthew, Duncan, Mary, Anne and Eunice.

† Those who died recently: Doreen Clarke, Gertrude Chapman, Yvonne Davidson, Janet Falconbridge, Carl Wright, Norma Evans, George Burton, Kenneth Bridges, Ted Hammond, Daisy Flowerdew, Jonathan Hollings, Mary Stoddart and Roy Dodman. Those who have anniversaries including Kathy Pilgrim and Penny Dewdney.

The funeral for Mary Stoddart a much-loved member of our choir, will be at Foulsham Parish Church on Fri 17 Nov at 11am. All are welcome. Please keep Peter and the family in your prayers.

PRAY FOR THE HOLY LAND

God of all justice and peace we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths - Jews, Muslims and Christians, for all people of the land.



While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children, for to all of us, you are our Heavenly Father. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Revd Richard Sewell

Dean of St George's College, Jerusalem

DEADLINE FOR NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN IS 12 NOON ON WEDS.

*Please send items for inclusion to
admin@fakenhamparishchurch.org.uk*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sun 26 Nov 10am Confirmations and Baptism (+Jane)
Thurs 30 Nov-7 Dec Christmas Tree Festival
Sat 2 Dec Christmas Light Switch-On
Sun 17 Dec at 6.30pm Carols by candlelight
Wed 20 Dec at 4pm Christingle
Sun 24 Dec at 4pm Crib Service
Sun 24 Dec at 11pm Midnight Communion
Mon 25 Dec 9.30am Family Christmas Communion

Foodbank list of items most needed ...

- **INSTANT MASH**
- **LONGLIFE/UHT FRUIT JUICE**
- **TINNED VEGETABLES (NOT BAKED BEANS)**
- **SAVOURY BISCUITS/CRACKERS**
- **CHRISTMAS PUDS/CAKE/SELECTION BOXES**

Thank you for your continued generosity in supporting the donations point in church.

Christmas Tree Festival: Help please.

Could you please spare some time on Monday 27 November between 9:00am & 12 noon to prepare the church? Not all jobs involve heavy lifting.

And pencil-in Friday 8 December between 9:00am & 12 noon to restore the church, if you are available. Any time you can spare will be much appreciated. Thank you.

Roger

UPDATE ON HEATING IN CHURCH

Sadly, the boiler has been condemned and is beyond repair. It served us well for more than 25 years.

The PCC are arranging temporary heating for the winter. Please wrap up warm. Bring a blanket or hot water bottle if you like.

CAROLS AT CRANMER HOUSE

Can we make up a small 'choir' to sing at Cranmer House, have a cup of tea and enjoy a time of fellowship with the residents?

Revd Tracy is awaiting dates but do let her know if you are interested – likely to be w/c 11/12.

Course in Church Architecture & History

A 5-session class on Historic Churches of Norfolk will run at Fakenham Community Centre in January. John Vigar has over 40 years' experience working with historic churches and has recorded over 13,000 churches in England and Wales.

In this course, which is suitable for beginners, he will look at the architecture and history of Norfolk Churches in a series of lavishly illustrated presentations which will also cover furnishings including stained glass and monuments. John promises it will be both entertaining and educational.

The course costs £38 and runs every Wednesday morning in January. Places are limited and advance booking is essential.

Contact John on 07962 368062 or john@johnvigar.com

Christmas Tree Festival

1. Grand Draw. A huge thank you to four members of the congregation who have donated the cash prizes for the Grand Draw. This means £250 "extra" will go into the Entrance Project fund along with the takings from those who buy tickets at the festival.

2. Tombola: A second big thank you to those who have provided prizes or cash for June & Jenni to buy items. June & Jenni also deserve a big thank you. They have over the last two months sorted out and numbered nine sets of prizes – 100 prizes in each set. We usually use up all the prizes as the tombola is so popular. Could you help with any further prizes or cash to make the tenth set?

Please see June or Jenni a.s.a.p.

3. Rotas for helpers. If you have offered help at CTF, please check the rotas to confirm when you are "on" and make a note of dates and times in your diary. If you have not yet offered help, please see one of the team a.s.a.p. Thank you.

4. Cakes

The recipe for our ever-popular cake is in the Beacon. If you could make one or more, we know we will sell them. They will be wrapped on Sat 25 Nov, so please bring them to church by then.

Once again thank you to all who have helped in any way. We hope CTF 2023 will be an enormous success.

NEXT SUNDAY

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION SERVICE Sun 26 Nov 2023 at 10am

The Bishop of Lynn, Rt Revd Jane Steen will be joining us for a wonderful service of baptism and confirmation. Come along to support Sid Wright and Charles Poole as they are confirmed, and Charles and Sue's grand-daughter Cerys is baptised.

ECO TIP

Keep your cardboard toilet or kitchen roll tubes – they make great guides for leeks and carrots!

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