

General notices & dates for your diary:

Jumble Sale, Saturday 22nd January 1.00pm

All helpers will be welcomed, please arrive from 10.00 a.m. Guidance on prices for clothing will be given so don't worry if you have no experience of being on a stall. Please consider helping at this fun event - and grab a bargain at the same time.

Lesley will be providing light lunches (soup etc.) that will be on sale for £1. Drinks will, as usual, be free to helpers. Donations of cakes for sale from the kitchen will be much appreciated and also contributions for the Tombola Stall which can be left in the boxes at the back of the church. Please take a poster to display and/or flyers for friends and neighbours. Thank you.



Family Activity Morning Tuesday 22nd February, 10.00am

Lucy would like to organise this valuable way of enabling local families to engage with the Christian faith, but whether it can happen will depend on there being enough of us able to help. It is very rewarding and involves helping children with simple crafts and chatting to the families. Helpers are asked to prepare from 9.30am and would be finished clearing away by about 12.30 pm. **If you are able to help please let Lucy know by Sunday 23rd January**, so that she can decide whether to go ahead.

Appointment process

Our advertisement for a new Vicar will be appearing in the Church Times from 14th January for four weeks. Please pray for the right person to come forward who will lead St Christopher's, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and help us to bring God's love to the people of Thornhill.

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Saturday 19th February 7.00pm Quiz Evening

Prayers

Prayers by name for those in need are offered at the Tuesday service & by St Christopher's Prayer Chain by request.

Please pick up a blue Prayer Diary card to pray at home for the people of Thornhill and Southampton.



News & Notices

16th - 29th January 2022

A Very Warm Welcome to St Christopher's

the Parish Church for Thornhill,
in the Church of England Diocese of Winchester

www.stchristophers-thornhill.org.uk

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Revd Matthew Renshaw: 07597 989399

matthew@stchristophers-thornhill.org.uk (Tuesdays and weekends)

St Christopher's is a **Fairtrade church** and has an **Eco Church bronze award**



Make sure you have a copy of the Winter edition of St Christopher's News (digitally or on paper), so you can keep up to date with what's happening in the worship and social life of St Christopher's.

LARGE PRINT BOOKS / SONG SHEETS

are available for all services;



and there is a **Loop system** ('T' setting on hearing aids).

Gluten-free communion wafers are available.

Please mention it to a Welcomer before the service.

Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall following the 10.00am service on Sundays.

Please wear a face covering when inside the Church Centre unless you are exempt, and continue to sit considerately. Thank you.

Sunday 16th January

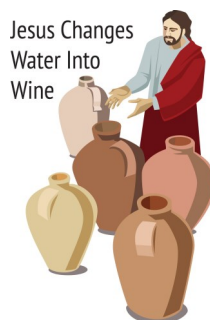
Second Sunday of Epiphany

Bible readings:

Isaiah 62:1-5

John 2:1-11

In this, his first miracle, the true nature of Jesus begins to be revealed to those around him. May God's glory, through Jesus, gradually be revealed to us in our own lives and be reflected in our words and actions.



A special prayer for this week:

*Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

What's happening this week:

- Sunday 16th 10.00am Parish Communion, followed by refreshments in the hall.
- Monday 17th 11.00am Visit to church by pupils from the Serendipity Centre.
- Tuesday 18th 9.00am Personal Prayer time in church - a moment of quiet.
- 10.00am Communion with prayers for healing,
Please note that there will be no refreshments following this service for a few weeks, in the current Covid situation.
- 7.30pm PCC Meeting
- Saturday 22nd 1.00pm Jumble Sale - see back page for details.

Sunday 23rd January

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Bible readings:

Psalms 19:1-6

Luke 4:14-21



Jesus proclaims in the synagogue that he is the Messiah foretold in the scriptures. Let us now be the voice and hands of Jesus, bringing the good news of God's love in our community.

A special prayer for this week:

*God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen..*

What's happening this week:

- Sunday 23rd 10.00am Parish Communion followed by refreshments in the Hall.
- Tuesday 25th 9.00am Personal Prayer time in church - a moment of quiet.
- 10.00am Communion with prayers for healing,
Please note that there will be no refreshments following this service for a few weeks, in the current Covid situation.

Readings for 30th January: Malachi 3:1-5, Luke 2:22-40