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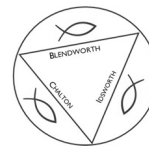
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BCI CHURCHES

Welcome!

Weekly News

W/C Sunday 12th January

The Baptism of Christ

From the Ministry Team:

Firstly, what a wonderful service we had for my licensing on Wednesday - an almost full church and that, despite the weather. Huge thanks are due to all those who helped to prepare refreshments, directed the parking, took part in the service and most particularly to Janet Laws who volunteered to organise the invitations, the order of service and to get things into the right place at the right time. I also must pay tribute to the members of the choir who sang so well and led the singing and of course our Benefice organist, Richard Martin, who even learned my favourite organ voluntary for me! It was a wonderful moment and Pete, myself and the family felt truly 'welcome'.

Secondly, now the work truly starts on many fronts and once I have tidied and reorganised my office after the Christmas festivities, (more shelving is required) we will begin to sketch out how we can be fruitful for our parishes in the future. I look forward to travelling that road with you and may God bless our efforts as we discern with Him, our future paths.

Revd Joy

Bible thought:

"Do not fear for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine." Isaiah 43 verse 1

Collect:

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognise him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

The next edition of the Weekly News will be sent out on Friday 17th January.
Please email Anna with anything for that edition by Wednesday 15th January.

Bible Readings

Sunday 12th January

The Baptism of Christ

Isaiah 43.1-7

Psalm 29

Acts 8.14-17

Luke 3.15-17,21,22

Sunday 19th January

Epiphany 2

Isaiah 62.1-5

Psalm 36.5-10

1 Corinthians 12.1-11

John 2.1-1

Please pray for:

The Church For our Churchwardens and for all those who serve in our churches.

The World For all those who suffer in places of conflict particularly in Israel & Gaza—we pray for peace.

The Parishes For our Churchwardens and PCCs. That they will be equipped by the Spirit to work for the Kingdom to come in this place.

The Sick Dayle & Chris, Alan, Clare and David, Pauline Pearce, Kevin Manley and Ruby Laws

If you wish to be on the list for prayers, please contact Revd Joy.

What's on ?

The **Church Lottery** is continuing after help from Val sorting out the banking charges. Gordon and I will be there on Thursday to take your subscriptions. Thank you, Sue Wilson



PRAYER SPACES	MONDAY 27/01/25	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Some of you have already kindly said that you are interested in assisting me with Prayer Spaces.	Set up from 0830 onward	29/01/25 0830-0925 - 7X	30/01/25 0830-0925 - 7N
	1100-1155 - 7P	0925-1020 - 7S	1100-1155 - 7U
I now have now got the specific times:	1220-1315 - 7Q	1220-1315 - 7T	Take down stations...
	TUESDAY 28/01/25 1100-1155 - 7V 1220-1315 - 7R 1315-1410 - 7W		

I would like to hold a meeting about getting the equipment together and what is involved on Thursday 16th January in the Chapel at Blendworth Church Centre. I can make myself available at 10.30am and again at 6.45pm in the evening, if that helps. Please let Revd Joy know which you can attend, please?

Upcoming Services

Sunday 12th January

The Birth of Christ

9.30am Morning Prayer at Chalton

led by Terry

9.30am Holy Communion at Idsworth

led by Joy

11am Holy Communion at Blendworth

led by Joy

Sunday 19th January

Epiphany 2

9.30am Mattins at Idsworth

9.30am Morning Prayer at Chalton

11am Holy Communion at Blendworth

3pm Churches Together Service for Christian Unity at Napier Hall, Horndean

* (see below)



* Revd Joy would like a couple of people to help her at the Churches Together Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which, this year, will be at Napier Hall under the guidance of Revd Sam from the Horndean Baptist Church.

Good News

'Smiling faces make you happy, and good news makes you feel better (Proverbs 15:30)'

"My good news is that I will be getting a hip replacement on 25th January at the Royal South Hants hospital, Southampton but might be out of action for a few weeks after that."

From Gwen Chapman

