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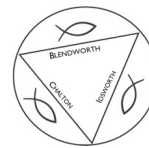
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BCI CHURCHES

Welcome!

Weekly News

W/C Sunday 18th January
 Epiphany 2

From the Ministry Team:

This week, we see, having been baptised, how Jesus gains his followers primarily the Gospel says through the proclamation of John the Baptist to disciples who were already following him. "Here is the Lamb of God," says John..." After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me". At this point , Jesus has not said a word in public and when the two disciples of John follow him because of John's testimony, they are invited to 'Come and see'. This kind of testimony and an invitation to 'Come and see', is still the best way to help those who have had no contact with Jesus to come and explore a Christian life for themselves and in the same way, our testimony should encourage them to do so. How can we be effective in inviting someone to 'Come and see' who we are and what we do? After all, it may be exactly what they are looking for!

Revd Joy

Bible thought: "I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry." (Psalm 40:1)

Collect:

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.

Confirmation: if anyone has been thinking about confirmation, we are now reserving places at the Cathedral Easter Eve service on Saturday 4th April. Please contact Revd Joy if you would be interested in exploring this as soon as possible as places are limited. We are looking forward to confirming one person already!

Notices: Please sign up for our Bible course which starts on 22nd January using this link - <https://forms.gle/jDgCpGAVLeY44um37> or by emailing or phoning Revd Joy.

Bible Readings

Sunday 18th January Epiphany 2

Isaiah 49.1-7
 Psalm 40.1-12
 1 Corinthians 1.1-9
 John 1.29-42

Sunday 25th January Epiphany 3

Isaiah 9.1-4
 Psalm 27.1,4-12*
 1 Corinthians 1.10-18
 Matthew 4.12-23

Please pray for:

Christians who maintain their faith in difficult circumstances throughout the world.

The World For all those who suffer in places of conflict – 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 , Kevin, Diana and Jill.

Those who mourn.

Our administrator Anna is contactable via telephone as we have switched to our new digital system. She will be available during her working hours as published above and will pick up any voicemails left outside of these hours when she is next in the office.

The Bible Course

Want to feel more connected to God's word?
 Join The Bible Course New Edition
biblesociety.org.uk/thebiblecourse



NOTICES

CAN YOU HELP?

Community Youth/Young Choir - starting on Friday 27th February 2025 at Horndean Junior School. Commitment is every Friday during term-time from 3.30pm to 5pm, or as much as you can offer. What's required is a love of singing, supporting young voices as they learn and grow in confidence. We will also be learning musical theory using the Voice for Life Scheme for which there are awards. (You can earn these alongside the young people) We will also need someone who would be willing to man the refreshment table. DBS checks and basic safeguarding online courses will be required.



Dragonfly
Saturday 21 FEB 7.30 PM
Music from 60s to 90s
Tickets £10.00 Doors open 6.45pm
Gill-07443 488864 Josie 07776 156150
Cash Bar - Free Parking - Raffle
Blendworth Church Centre,
Blendworth Lane, Horndean. PO8 0AA

QUIZ NIGHT
SATURDAY 31ST JANUARY 2026
7pm to 9.30pm
£7 pp - max 6 per team
Cash Bar & Raffle
Blendworth Church Centre,
Blendworth Lane PO8 0AA
Doors open 6.30pm

*The next edition of the Weekly News will be sent out on Friday 23rd January.
Please email Anna with anything for that edition by Wednesday 21st January.*

Upcoming Services

Sunday 18th January

Epiphany 2

8am BCP Communion at Blendworth

led by the Revd Polly Honeychurch

9.30am Mattins at Idsworth

led by Joy

9.30am Morning Prayer at Chalton

led by Wendy

11am Formal Holy Communion at
Blendworth led by Joy

Sunday 25th January

Epiphany 3

9.30am Morning Prayer at Idsworth

9.30am Morning Prayer at Chalton

11am Holy Communion at Blendworth

Churches Together Service for the week of Christian Unity—The service this year will be held at **St James , Clanfield at 3.30pm on Sunday 25th January**. Please come along to worship together with those in the other local churches.

The Churches Together Prayer Breakfast is on **Saturday, 24th January 8.30am—9.45am**

Our monthly opportunity to gather with our Christian sisters and brothers to share food, conversation and prayer. We will meet this month at All Saints Church Hall., Catherington



Blankets for Blendworth

As it has been so cold in Blendworth Church for the services the last couple of weeks, despite the heating being on, we plan to have a blanket basket. When we have a particularly cold day the Sidesmen/Welcomers can then offer anyone a blanket to put over their knees . If anyone has any blankets they might like to donate to the basket please bring them to church.