



Crofton Parish Diary

NOVEMBER

Sun 4	11am	Fair Trade Stall (1st Sunday of every month at coffee time)	Hall
Mon 5—Fri 9	12-1pm 3.30-5pm, 7-8pm	We Will Remember 1918-2018—Art Installations and Displays See inside sheet/separate flyer for more details	Church
Tues 6	2pm	Mothers' Union Meeting 127th Anniversary Service	Church
Tues 6		NO Parish Prayer Evening	
Wed 7	10.30am	Day Time Pastorate , speaker, Karen Wainwright on 'Isaiah: A suffering servant'. All welcome, coffee served from 9.45am	Oak Room
Fri 9	2pm	Ladies' Stroll, Chat & Cuppa	The Shack
Fri 9	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Fri 9	7.30-9.30pm	FAST youth group for school years 10-13	Centre
Sat 10	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting (every 2nd & 4th Sat)	Beech Room
Sun 11	10.45am	United Service of Remembrance	Stubbington War Memorial
Tues 13	2-3.30pm	Cup of Tea and Company , Bereavement Support and Friendship	Hall
Wed 14	9:30am	Fair Trade stall during Wednesday Café	Oak Room
Sun 18	10am-12noon	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	Lychgate Green
Thurs 22	8pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub
Sat 24	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting (every 2nd & 4th Sat)	Beech Room
Sat 24	10am	FOCOC Yuletide Fayre entrance fee 30p	Centre
Sun 25	11am	Welcome Event for anyone who has joined the church in the last 6 months or so	Oak Room
Mon 26	7.30pm	PCC Meeting	Hall
Tues 27	2pm	Mothers' Union Meeting	Oak Room
Thurs 29	4-5pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Oak Room



Sunday 4 November 2018

Thank you for joining us today at Holy Rood and St Edmund's churches - you are among friends, and if you are new to this church we'd love the opportunity to answer any questions you might have. Stay for coffee after the morning service at Holy Rood, and stop by the welcome table to say hello - or speak to any of our stewards at Holy Rood or St Edmund's. We are glad you're here and we'd love to see you back next week.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday 4 November (Trinity 23)

St Edmund's

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge
Bible readings: Philippians 3:17-21; Matthew 22:15-22

11.10am Holy Communion

Leader: Revd Dan Greenfield Preacher: Revd Richard England
Kings Cross 7: The Stain Bible reading: Mark 7:1-23

Holy Rood

9.30am Morning Praise

Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Richard England
Kings Cross 7: The Stain Bible reading: Mark 7:1-23

6.30pm Causeway

A service especially for adults with learning disabilities, but everyone welcome

Thursday 8 November, 10.30am, Holy Communion in the Foster Room

Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge

Our congregations are encouraged to see giving as part of our worship; this is often planned giving by standing order or envelope, and there is opportunity also to make an offering during services. Please use the Gift Aid envelopes where possible.

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Youth Worker: Carolyn Terry **Ministers:** every member



If you are a hearing aid user and would like to make use of the hearing loop, please switch your aid to T position and sit in one of the central pews marked with the loop symbol.

Services on Remembrance Sunday, 11 November

St. Edmund's: 9.30am Morning Service Leader/Preacher: Gary Willcocks

Holy Rood: 9.30am All Age Holy Communion Leader: Revd Dan Greenfield/Revd Colin Prestidge
Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge

10.45am Stubbington Village Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

6.30pm Ascent Leader: Revd Gavin Collins Preacher: Beth Yeandle

For information & prayer, 4 November

WE WILL REMEMBER 1918-2018: Art Installations and Displays

In the week leading up to the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day 1918, a number of local schools and an art group will be displaying work related to the 100th Anniversary in Holy Rood Church. The church will be open for anyone in the local community to come in and see the displays from **Monday 5-Friday 9 November, each day from 12-1pm, 3.30-5pm and 7-8pm.** If you could help with welcoming/stewarding, please sign the list in the foyer or contact the Parish Office.



WELCOME We love to welcome new people to Holy Rood and St Edmund's and we want you to feel at home. To help us get to know you please visit the welcome table at Holy Rood after the 9.30am service, or speak to a minister or steward.. There are welcome packs in both churches with information about services, groups, children's and youth work and much more. On **Sunday 25 November** there will be a get together in the Oak Room after the 9.30am service for anyone who has joined the church in the last 6 months or so. We'd love to see you there.

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH We will be holding our usual Christmas Day lunch in the centre this year. If you would like to sign up to come to the meal or know someone who would like to attend, please contact the office. We now have plenty of helpers for the kitchen and in the hall on the day, but are still looking for someone who might be able to play the piano for carol singing (1.30 to 2.30) and people to help with transport 12 noon pickup, 3.30pm to drop home. We would also appreciate donations of gifts for our guests - wrapped presents to the value of £5-£10 with no food or drink and labelled for a lady or a gentleman.

ALPHA We will be running an adult Alpha course in the spring term. It will be on **Wednesday evenings, starting on 16 January - and will run until 27 March.** If you would like to attend the course, please contact the office and do be praying about who you could invite. We will also be needing people to help out in various ways with the practical running arrangements, so if you think that you could help at all, please contact the office or speak to Beth.



STEWARDS Is God calling you to become a member of one of our stewarding teams - welcoming and assisting people at our Sunday services? You may feel this is a way you could serve as a family or a homegroup. If you'd like to know more or volunteer, then chat to one of the stewards or wardens.

STROLL, CHAT AND CUPPA

Ladies, the dates for the next two walks are **Friday 9 November and Wednesday 5 December.** We shall meet at The Shack at 2pm returning there by 3.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us.

ERICA WILKIE is delighted to share the news that Bishop Christopher has asked her to take up a curacy post in Gosport Deanery following ordination as a distinctive deacon on 29 June 2019. She will be serving in the Leesland Pioneer Project, training under Revd Tim Watson. Erica would very much value your prayers for her family and for Tim and his family as they begin preparations. More details about her ordination nearer the time. All are welcome at the service, which will be held in Portsmouth Cathedral.

King's Cross Home Group Questions Week 7 - The Stain

1. What struck you about what you heard/read? Was there anything you didn't understand or agree with?
2. In what ways do you think Christians worry about being 'contaminated' by the wider society? Why do they worry about this?
3. In Mark 7, Jesus challenges his listeners to think about how their 'inner world' (of attitudes and emotions) shapes the impact they have on the world around them. What could you do this week to ensure that the impact you have on the world is for good?

CHRISTMAS BOXES



This year we are launching a new Christmas giving opportunity to support the work of Farm4Life, one of the missions we now support regularly run by Lloyd and Karen Clewer, two of our church members. Throughout Advent you will be invited to bring in specific items for our Christmas boxes - more details to follow. We are not a collection point for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes this year but if you have already filled a box, this can be taken to Shoezone in Fareham or Gosport, Caffe Nero, Fareham or The Entertainer, Whiteley between 1-18 November. If needed, labels are available at the back of the church or from the church office. Any queries please speak to Gill Nolan.



THE FAIR TRADE STALL IS

TODAY at Holy Rood in the hall after the 9.30am service. Stock up on your Fair Trade items such as coffee, tea, dried fruit, cookies and chocolate. Advent calendars & Christmas Cards will also be available.

Please pray for

- **John**, has had the stem cell transplant and will hopefully be moved to QA shortly. Please pray that there are no side effects and that he remains infection free .
- **Sarah**, now back home. Pray for healing and the Holy Spirit's peace on both Sarah and Andrew as they try to cope with it all.
- **Bunty**, Jane's aunt, who is very poorly. Please pray for relief of pain and peace for Bunty and the family.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.** Today we pray for the Parish of Holy Trinity with St Columba, Fareham, Clergy: Revd Sally Davenport, Revd Wendy May. They give thanks for the appointment of Revd Greg Bakker who will join the parish team early 2019 as Mission Priest; their wardens, Judi and Philip; Families and Communities workers, Debbie and Sally; all who serve their churches so faithfully in prayer and action; and for strengthening links with 17th Fareham Scouts. They ask for prayer for all their musicians in this demanding season leading up to and including Christmas; the Hub cafe, its finances, Manager Penny Raymond and volunteers who offer great hospitality to all in the community; and for a successful outcome to Faculty submissions for improvements to the fabric of their buildings especially at St Columba Church.
- **Community Cycle of Prayer.** This week we pray for all groups meeting in the churches and centres in Stubbington.

Please send any prayer requests to the church office office@croftonparish.org.uk

SENIORS WORKER Please continue to pray about this important post. We will be re-advertising in the new year.

JOAN LAWRENCE'S FUNERAL will be held at 10am on Friday 16 November at St Edmund's. Her sons Richard and Chris warmly invite all who knew her, especially members of Mothers' Union.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE on **Saturday 17 November, 11am-3pm**, at the King's School, Allington Lane, Fair Oak SO50 7DB. Profits in support of the charity Equip which works in Rwanda providing education and support for those still impacted by the after effects of the 1994 genocide.