

A Community enriched by Christian faith, worship and values

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, COOKHAM

IN THE BENEFICE OF THE
COOKHAMS.

SERVING AT THE HEART
OF THE COMMUNITY

Sunday 29th November 2020
1st Sunday of Advent



Both Churches are Open for Private Prayer

Wednesdays 10.30 to 11.30am

Sundays 10:30 to 11:30am

We will be posting daily prayers (except on Saturdays), and Sunday morning services and Sunday evening music on [YouTube](#) and on our [Facebook](#) pages and [websites](#)

Sunday Services During Lockdown

Sunday 29th November

Online

10.00am - Eucharist from St John the Baptist Church

5.00pm - Advent Carols

Sunday 6th December

Online

5.00pm Dark at breakfast, dark at tea

In church

6.30pm - Advent Carols in Holy Trinity Church

Please book through the office.

Sunday 13th December

Online

10.00am - Christingle

We look forward to welcoming you in our churches for private prayer and after lockdown restrictions have eased, for public worship. We will update post-lockdown arrangements on Facebook and on our websites.



Children's Society Boxes

Thank you to all those who put their boxes in for counting. We were able to bank £660.24 last week which is a good sum considering the move away from using cash during the pandemic. There may be more boxes out there so we will have another count in January. Please contact me if you need your box collected in the New Year (01628 526913). Thank you for supporting the valuable work of the society which aims to help vulnerable children and young people. Sheila Draper and Kay Wallan's.



Advent in Cookham

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Live at 5.00pm Sunday on [YouTube](#)

This special service is to herald the start of Advent and is very much a part of Christmas in Cookham. Music led by the Men's Choir.



Next Sunday 6th December
Dark at breakfast, dark at tea
5.00pm Online only

A short offering for the second Sunday of Advent, especially for those who cannot join us in church for our live Advent Carol service.



Advent Carol Service

6th December at 6.30pm in Holy Trinity Church
Book your tickets!

We are delighted that our annual service can go ahead in church (moved back a week from its original scheduled date). Music led by the Boys' & Men's Choir. Collection in aid of The Children's Society. Due to social distancing places will be limited and booking ahead is necessary. Please reserve your seats by calling or emailing the Parish Office:
01628 529 661 / office@cofe-thecookhams.org.uk

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Christmas Cards

I am delighted to say we have Christmas Cards for sale this year with all the proceeds going to Holy Trinity Church and the Medical Detection Dogs charity. It has a simple message inside saying 'Wishing You a very Happy Christmas'. The card was designed and produced by John Church to whom we are most grateful. They cost £10 for 20. Your support of the church and the Medical Detection Dogs is much appreciated. If you would like to order some, please email revdavidjoynes@gmail.com and we will arrange to either deliver them to you or for you to collect. Looking forward to hearing from you. Fr David



The Christmas Parish Magazine

With the recent changes in the lock-down regulations, we are delighted to report that we will be producing a December edition of the Parish Magazine. However, due to the impact of COVID-19 and the pre-Christmas rush, we will not be able to rely on our normal house to house distribution system to get the magazines to you. The magazine will be available on the website and there will be copies available for collection from church and the parish office, but we are looking for help from parishioners to ensure that as many people as possible are able to access a copy. If you have a friend or neighbour who would like a copy, please pick one up for them. More importantly, if you are prepared to arrange for delivery in your street or local area please contact Mike Clark pefc@tapestryoflife.org or 07740 027357 with details of the area you can cover and the number of copies you will need.



Our thoughts and prayers

Please pray for those who are ill...

Jean Lewis, Bryan Lewis, Margot Whittle, Charles Walmsley, David Ashwanden, Alastair McKerlie

Those who have died...

Arthur Burgin RIP

Readings for Sunday 29th November

Collect

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great
humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Readings

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

My brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Mark 13:24-end

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'