

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - 18th-25th January

As always the week of prayer starts on 18th January and ends on 25th. This year there will be four services in the Beckenham area.

Wed 18th Jan St Edmunds in Village Way @ 12.30  
 Sun 22nd Jan St Paul's Brackley Road @ 4pm  
 Mon 23rd Jan Beckenham Methodist Church @ 1.15  
 Wed 25th Jan Avenue Road Baptist Church @ 8pm

This is a week followed by Christians around the world coming together irrespective of denomination to pray for unity among Christians. There is a faithful band of pray-ers in the Beckenham churches who attend one or more of these services each year. It would be good if some of us might be able to swell the numbers this year.

**SERMON SERIES** - The new Sermon Series leaflet is available which covers the period January to April 2012. The leaflet gives the title and themes of both morning and evening services for that period. Please pick up your copy from the Information Table

**An Evening with Canon Hosam Naoum**, Canon Pastor of St George's Cathedral, Jerusalem, who will talk about the challenges for the Church in the City of Jerusalem and the West Bank. This will take place on Monday, 27th February at 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church Hall, Shortlands, Bromley (BR2 OPU) and will conclude by 9pm. Refreshments will be served at the end of the evening. All enquiries regarding the evening should be directed to Canon Paul Miller [canonpmiller@aol.com](mailto:canonpmiller@aol.com) or Tel: 8460 4989).

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** - If your name is listed here, there are unclaimed Christmas cards waiting to be collected from your pigeonhole:  
*Baldwin, Bater, Beck, Beresford, Bleach, Caley, Charlesworth, Clayton, Court, Cruse, Doresamy, Faulkner, Filewod, Freeman, Fisher, Fryer, Gee, George, Goatcher, Grant, Hewitt, Hackett, Harrington, Chilton-Higgins, Hill, Hunter, Innes, Jone, Johnson, Kerry, Kuponu, McNeil, Marland, Meakins, Moore, Orton, Parry, Proctor, Shelley, Sproule, Skyers, Stone, Terry, Tse, Tucker, Turner, Watmore, Webb*



**COFFEE TEAM ROTA:** Next Sunday - 15th January - tea/coffee will be provided by members of Clive Ellery's home group.

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## St John's

### News & Notices for week commencing: **Sunday 8th January 2012**

A very warm welcome to you all, especially if you are new to St. John's or you are just visiting - we are delighted to have you with us. Refreshments will be served in church after the service this morning .

#### Sunday 8th January

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang  
**"Blessed are the poor in spirit"**  
 1 Corinthians 1: 26-31 and Matthew 5: 1-3

6.30 pm Evening Worship - Alasdair Cameron  
 Isaiah: 42: 1-9 and Ephesians 2: 1-10

#### Wednesday 11th January

10.45 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander

#### Sunday 15th January

10.00 am Morning Worship - Will Foulger  
**"Blessed are those who mourn" (Matthew 5: 4)**  
 Isaiah 61: 1 - 3 and Revelation 21: 1 - 4

6.30 pm Holy Communion - Rev'd Clive Porthouse  
 Readings: Isaiah 42: 1 - 9 and Ephesians 2: 1 - 10

#### Special Prayer for Cornerstone

*Living God, inspire us all to lives of faithful service and self-less love, as we seek to share the Good News and minister to others. We open ourselves to the power of your Holy Spirit in our lives to inspire, teach and guide us as your people. Use us as your tools to minister Christ's love to others. Amen*

Is there something you would like to pray about today?  
 Someone will be available to pray with you after each service..

**Monday 9th January**

8.45 am Parish Prayers  
10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon  
2.30 pm Women’s Focus

**Tuesday 10th January**

10.00 am The Ark  
11.15 am Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Hubert Pryce  
8.00 pm PCC MEETING - in the Chapel

**Wednesday 11th January**

9.15 am Parish Prayers  
10.45 am Holy Communion in the Chapel  
10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon  
5.30 pm Kingfishers  
6.30 pm Kestrels

**Friday 13th January**

8.45 am Parish Prayers  
8.00 pm Pampered Chef Evening (See note on next page)

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***Please pray for –***

- ◆ *Nancy Day (in hospital)*
- ◆ *Nina Clark*
- ◆ *David & Joyce Overington*
- ◆ *Vivienne Catherall*
- ◆ *Florence Elsey*
- ◆ *Jane Mercer (Stan & Flo’s daughter)*
- ◆ *Chris Clayton*
- ◆ *Anna Lloyd*
- ◆ *Kate James (cousin of Julia Lewis) in hospital with pneumonia and a collapsed lung*
- ◆ *John Corcoran (Becky Sowter’s father)*

***Special prayer topics:***

- ◆ *Residents of Crossways Road*
- ◆ *Older people at home - retired people*

*We are sorry to announce the death of Hubert Pryce on 26th December. Hubert and his wife Joyce worshipped here for many years. After Joyce died Hubert was helped to church but as he got frail he was unable to get here. He lived at home until the last few days when he went into hospital. We remember him and his daughter Maggie and son Graham. His funeral will be at Beckenham Crematorium at 10.30 am on 10th January, followed by a Service of Thanksgiving in church at 11.15 am.*

**CLERGY BREAKS:** Nick will be away from 11th - 23rd January.

**PARISH PRAYERS :** Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays  
8.45 am on Mondays and Fridays and 9.15 am on Wednesdays.

**CONFIRMATION** - Now is the time to be thinking about confirmation. Young people and older people alike, this is an opportunity to make a public commitment of your faith, to be blessed by the bishop and to receive the prayers of all the church for a special blessing of the Holy Spirit. This year our service of confirmation will be on 29<sup>th</sup> April at St Paul’s, Brackley Road, at 4.00 pm. Whether you are 13, 33 or 83...if you would like to know more please talk to Nick or Liz Lander.

**TRADCRAFT STALL** - The Traidcraft stall will be open TODAY after the morning service. Do please come along and pick up your fairly traded goods.

**NEW COMMUNION ASSISTANTS** - *a reminder to those who have been invited to serve as assistants at Holy Communion for the next 2 years - there will be a practice session with Nick and Elizabeth after our morning service today.*

**Cornerstone** - There will be a very important meeting of the PCC on 10th January to consider the way forward on Cornerstone. Please pray for the PCC...for clarity of thinking, wisdom and sound judgement.

**Please Note:** Homegroups in January will be meeting on the 17th and 31st January (due to PCC Meetings taking place on 10th & 24th).

**PAMPERED CHEF FUNDRAISING EVENT** - Come and have fun, sample some recipes and help raise money for Cornerstone at the same time! Plus you'll see how easy it is to prepare a simple recipe that produces amazing results in no time at all, and learn a few tips and tricks to improve your cooking skills. There will also be a wide variety of kitchen products to purchase from the Pampered Chef range.

**When? Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 8pm** **Where? St John’s Small Hall**  
Feel free to spread the word and bring as many friends as you like!  
15% of all orders placed will go to Cornerstone  
If you want to know more, please contact Emily Bones 8402 7933