



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

WHITELEY CHURCH NOTICE SHEET

Sunday 21st January 2018

The Third Sunday of Epiphany

January Service Schedule

Sun 21st 10.30am – Outside the Box
Meet on the church without walls garden and take a walk to explore God at work in winter nature.

Sun 28th 10.15am Breakfast church

February Service Schedule

Sun 4th 4.00pm - Messy Church

Sun 11th 10.15am - Communion (with baptism)

Sun 18th Time tbc – Outside the Box

Sun 25th 10.15am - Breakfast church

4.00pm – Beetle Drive (tbc)

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WHITELEY CHURCH WEBSITE

www.whiteleychurch.org.uk

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND WEBSITE

www.churchofengland.org

If you would like to be added to the email distribution list to receive this Notice Sheet and other important emails from Whiteley Church please let Vikki know by emailing;

whiteleychurch@hotmail.com

Confirmation

Philippa will be working with at least one person to prepare them for Confirmation this term. The service will take place over the Easter weekend on the evening of Saturday 31st March at Portsmouth Cathedral. If you have not been confirmed in the Church of England and would like to know more please speak to Philippa as soon as possible. More information is also available online at:

www.churchofengland.org/life-events/confirmation

Sunday 21st January - Outside the Box

10.30am

(Meet on the church garden + walk)

This Sunday we will take a walk and explore where we see God at work in the nature around us and think about the conversion of Saul/Paul and the journey he took.

We will meet at the Church Without Walls garden at 10.30am and our route will take us through Sawpit Copse. We will proceed no matter the weather so please wear waterproofs and wellies or good muddy boots as appropriate.

Afterwards those who wish to will gather in a cafe for hot drinks.

If everyone could please be praying for dry weather that would be wonderful ☺

Breakfast Church Sunday 28th January

Thank you very much to everyone who has signed up to bring something to breakfast church next week.

If you can't remember what you said you would bring them please send us a message and ask us this week. If anyone could bring some apples and/or a 2nd block of butter please let us know

Prayer Group Monday evenings, 7.30-8.30pm

Our new prayer group will be re-starting on Monday 22nd January, hosted by Katie at 26 Thyme Avenue from 7.30-8.30pm.

The hope for the prayer group is to create a committed space and time to pray to support the life of our church and to pray for God's blessing and guidance in what we undertake here for the community of Whiteley.

All are welcome and you don't need to be confident in praying out loud ☺

If you have any questions please speak to Katie.

Next Messy Church – Sunday 4th February

Please sign up/email Philippa if you can help with craft tables on the day or make cakes/traybakes for serving at teatime.

As your local Church of England church we are here for the whole community, not just those who come to worship on Sunday mornings. If you would like to discuss arranging a Baptism (Christening), Wedding or Funeral please get in touch with Philippa.

Monday Minis

Monday minis (parent and toddler group for the under 5's) runs on Monday afternoon from 1.00-2.45pm.

Please do come and join us.

If you are interested in helping at Minis then please have a chat with Philippa.

OPEN DOOR CAFÉ

The Open Door Cafe is open every Tuesday (during term time) between 9.30 and 11.30am in the Community Centre coffee lounge. Why not pop in for a coffee and a chat.

House Group

If you would like to join the Thursday night house group then grab a chat with Katie or Philippa for more details.

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Finances

Answered prayer

Our £24,394 of 2017 Parish Share paid in full

Prayer for 2018 finances

In 2018 our share payment due is £24,214. We'll update you as to our progress with that once we have a few months of payments under our belt but please continue to pray for people's generosity and for good fundraising opportunities in the year ahead.

Whiteley Church Needs Your Help

Notice Sheet

This year marks 6 years of Vikki compiling and sending out the notice sheet each week, and now she feels it's time to pass it over to new blood. So if you would be willing to take over the notice sheet please speak to Vikki or Philippa.

(Vikki would be willing to continue until the annual meeting in April if we're struggling to find someone to take over any earlier)

Children's Groups

We're a very small church, and we know that everyone is very busy, but if you feel you could regularly help with any of our children's or young people's groups we'd love to hear from you

Spring Fair

Last year at the Spring Fair we raised over £800, which was a fantastic boost to our fundraising, but if we are to run the same again this year we can only do so need if we have a planning group who can supporting each other and share out the tasks. Therefore if you want to see Whiteley Church running another spring fair and are prepared to help with the planning then please let Vikki know and she will try to set up an initial meeting for you all before the end of January.

Please see separate poster re. Ecclesiastical Insurance:

They have offered £130 to church funds for every home insurance policy purchased before the end of December 2018

<https://www.ecclesiastical.com/foryou/insurance/homeinsurance/trust130/index.aspx>

Important Dates for your diary 2018

13th February - Shrove Tuesday
14th February - Ash Wednesday
25th February – Beetle Drive (fundraiser)
11th March - Mothering Sunday
25th March - Clocks go forward
25th March - Palm Sunday
30th - Good Friday
1st April - Easter Day
22nd April – Annual Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (after a short morning service)
? May - Spring Fair (Fundraising event)?
17th June – Father's Day
28th October – Clocks go back
11th November – Remembrance Sunday
25th November – Advent Fair (Fundraising)



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