



Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 9th November 2025-15th November 2025

The Rev's Ramblings

The Meaning Behind Poppy Colours

As Remembrance Day approaches, I wish I knew where to find poppies of different colours, not for fashion or political statement, and not from non-charity outlets, but because different colour poppies have different meanings. While the red poppy is the most familiar, each colour carries its own story and purpose.

The **red poppy** is the traditional symbol of remembrance, inspired by the fields of poppies that grew after World War I. Wearing one honours those who gave their lives in war and reminds us of the cost of peace.

The **white poppy** represents a hope for peace and an end to all wars. It's not meant to replace the red one, but to stand alongside it — focusing on remembering all victims of war, including civilians, and promoting peaceful solutions.

The **purple poppy** honours the animals that served and suffered in wartime — horses, dogs, pigeons, and many of God's creatures who had no choice but gave everything.

And recently, some people wear a **black poppy** to remember the contributions of Black, African, and Caribbean communities in the wars — lives and stories that have often been overlooked.

Each poppy tells a story of sacrifice, courage, and hope. Whether you wear one colour or several, it's a simple way to remember the past and pray for a more peaceful future.

So as we pin on our poppies this November, let's pause to reflect — not just on what was lost, but on how we can keep working together for peace today.

Prayer focus this week

Pray for all affected by knife crime and for those suffering from mental health problems.

Locally pray for South Hill Church – Town Centre.

This week's other News



Dates for your Diary

Saturday 29th November at 10am to 1pm
Prayers for Peace in Church – See poster.

Saturday 29th November at 6:30pm TBC
Film night in Church.

Sunday 30th November at 6:30pm
Advent Carol Service All are welcome.
At St John's Church, Boxmoor

Saturday 6th December at 2pm to 5pm
Community Centre Family Fun Day
In support of Alzheimer's Society & Epilepsy Society. See poster.

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SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY 9th November – Remembrance Sunday

9:00am-10:00am CATHOLIC MASS
11:00am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK
Please arrive before 10:50am for the 2-minute silence at 11am
Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx.

Reading this week: Gospel reading: John 15.9-17

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE IN CHURCH HALL

6:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH



MONDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9:00am MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*



MONDAY 10th November

3:30pm-4:30pm AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY SERVICE IN CHURCH HALL
FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN & FAMILIES



TUESDAY 11th November

09:15am-11:35am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR IN CHURCH
10:00am-12noon CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
7:30pm-9:00pm EYEWITNESS ACTS BIBLE STUDY 7 IN CHURCH and ON ZOOM*

WEDNESDAY 12th November

7:30pm-9:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH PRAYER GROUP IN CHURCH

THURSDAY 13th November

9:30am-11:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
1:00pm – 2:45pm STICKY FINGERS TODDLER CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL



FRIDAY 14th November

1:30pm-3:00pm EYEWITNESS ACTS BIBLE STUDY 7 IN CHURCH HALL
6:30pm-7:30pm ROMANIAN CHURCH CHILDREN'S PRACTICE IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 15th November

10:00am-12noon DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL

Next Sunday 16th November – 'Safeguarding Sunday'

Giving thanks for all volunteers and placing all in our care into God's safe hands.

9:00am-10:00am CATHOLIC MASS
10:00am SHARED REFRESHMENTS IN CHURCH HALL
11:00am ANGLICAN HOLY COMMUNION with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK
12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE IN CHURCH HALL
6:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH

For all Zoom events, please send an email to revaustin@sky.com to receive an invite.

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