



For our prayers this week

Those who are ill or in need... Alex Boorer, Laurie & Sarah Hamilton, Ashleigh Anand, Felix Snell, Val Hancock.

Those who have died... Ester Lawrence, Charles Lucas, Regina Hallier.
Anniversary of death... Bruce Mousell (2009), John Titterington (2019), Shirley Catchpole (2015), Yvonne Bentley (2023), Keith Harrison (2015).

Link Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe.



THIS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY

9.15am **TODDLER GROUP** Hall
 12 noon **PRAYER GROUP** Church

NEXT WEEK...

SUNDAY 01 FEBRUARY 2026

**PATRONAL
FESTIVAL**

8am **HOLY COMMUNION**
 10am **PARISH EUCHARIST**
*followed by Patronal Birthday Brunch
 in church*

6.30pm **EVENSONG**

WEDNESDAY 04 FEBRUARY

9.15am **TODDLER GROUP** Hall
 12 noon **PRAYER GROUP** Church

THURSDAY 05 FEBRUARY

2pm **FUNERAL SERVICE**
for the late Charles Lucas



NOTICES

CHURCH CLEANING

Volunteers keep the church clean and two teams currently need new members. Can you spare about 1½ hours once every 4 weeks? One team currently meet Tuesday morning the other Saturday morning. Please speak to Pat Spencer or contact Sara in the Parish Office.

Collection on

SUNDAY 01 FEBRUARY

As last year, we will be making a special collection at our Patronal Festival for our local hospice **St. Raphael's**. Please use the blue envelopes or the special collection button on the card readers. More information about their work is in the magazine on the table at back of church or their website straphaels.org.uk.

TEA on THURSDAY 29 JANUARY

There will be tea in the Church Hall from **3pm**. Everyone is welcome. Please sign the list at the back of church if you plan to come and indicate if you would like a lift.

**RSPB BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH 2026
at Christ Church**

**TODAY - SUNDAY 25 JANUARY
11.15am – 12.15pm**

As part of our Eco Church commitment we will take part in this national survey of garden birds. Could you join the small group who will look out for, identify and count birds – no expertise needed. We'll have a base in the Parish Office but mainly outside. Alternatively, sign up to birdwatch in your garden or a park.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/>

It would be helpful if you could let Lucy Christie know if you'll be joining the group but please feel free to drop in on the day.

FAIR TRADE STALL - 2025

Thank you for supporting the Christ Church Fair Trade Stall last year. Together we bought over **£1,875** of fairly traded goods (that's a lot of chocolate)! We made a profit of **£372** and donated **£370** to church funds. You may be aware that chocolate prices have risen due to poor harvests in West Africa, mainly due to extreme weather patterns. We realise this affects our chocolate-loving customers but not nearly as much as the poor farmers. Thank you for helping us trade differently and support producers in lower income countries – a small step towards justice for the world's poor.

Thanks to all our customers from the Fair Trade Team – Ian, Julie Barnes, Tish & Lucy. We really need help with ordering & stock taking of the Fair Trade Stall. Speak to Tish or Lucy Christie if you are able to help.

BRF GROUP SUBSCRIPTION

The order for the church group subscription for BRF Bible notes has to be renewed early in February. If any current subscribers wish to change their order, or if anyone is interested in joining the subscription, please speak to Jenny Tomlinson.

**Would you have a more
effective prayer life?**

**LENT COURSE
ON PRAYER 2026**

*in the Truman Room
7.45pm to 9pm*

Tuesday 24th February

Topic: Personal Prayer (Hannah)

Tuesday 3rd March

Topic: Ambitious Prayer (Elijah)

Tuesday 10th March

Topic: Hopeful Prayer (Ezekiel)

Tuesday 17th March

Topic: Communal Prayer (Ester)

Tuesday 24th March

Topic: Constant Prayer (Daniel)

All Welcome:

**Please sign up on the sheet
at the back of the church**

**PATRONAL
BIRTHDAY BRUNCH**

SUNDAY 01 FEBRUARY

In church after the 10.00am service we will be serving a brilliant Brunch to celebrate the Patronal and 167 years of glorious Christ Church.
ALL are welcome.

There is a list at the back of church with a suggested donation of £5 - we are buying everything in advance. Children are free.

This week's readings

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul,' or 'I belong to Apollos,' or 'I belong to Cephas,' or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else. For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1.10-18

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Matthew 4.12-23



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SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2026

THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

Collect

God of all mercy, your Son
proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives, and freedom
to the oppressed: anoint us with
your Holy Spirit and set all your
people free to praise you
in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour
Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
may your people, illumined by your word
and sacraments, shine with the radiance
of his glory, that he may be known,
worshipped, and obeyed to the ends
of the earth. **Amen**

Green / World Prayer

God of blessings, the universe sings of your glory. Deepen our gratitude for all you have made and awaken in us a renewed commitment to care for the earth and each other. Inspire leaders with openness to listen to those most affected by climate change and with courage to act urgently and wisely, so that our common home may be healed and restored and all people, and generations to come, may delight in it. **Amen**

8am HOLY COMMUNION

10am PARISH EUCHARIST

Readings 1 Corinthians 1.10-18; Matthew 4.12-23 **Hymns** 659, 474, 369, 493

6.30pm WEEK of PRAYER for CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE

Separate Service Sheet
