



# Anna Benefice Bulletin

(ST PETER'S GOODWORTH CLATFORD, ALL  
SAINTS' UPPER CLATFORD AND ST MARY'S  
ABBOTTS ANN)

25 JANUARY EPIPHANY 3 -  
CONVERSION OF PAUL

## **Verse of the week**

<sup>17</sup> So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said,  
'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so  
that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.'

(Acts 1:17)

## **Prayer for the week**

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.

# Details of weekend services with link

## Sunday 25 January Epiphany 3 - Conversion of Paul

9.30am	Informal Worship	St Mary's	Teresa	Acts 9:1-22 Matthew 19:27-end
9.30am	Morning Worship	All Saints'	Nicky	Acts 9:1-22 Matthew 19:27-end
11am	Parish Communion	St Peter's	Teresa	Acts 9:1-22 Matthew 19:27-end
4pm	Evensong	St Peter's	Tim	Psalm 119:41-56 Isaiah 56:1-8 Colossians 1:24-27

### No Zoom Praise

A description of our services can be found on the Benefice website [LINK](#)

## Bible reading Sunday morning services

Acts 9:1-22 NRSVA - The Conversion of Saul - Meanwhile - Bible Gateway.  
Matthew 19:27-30 NRSVA - Then Peter said in reply, 'Look, we - Bible Gateway.  
Psalm 119 | The Church of England  
Isaiah 56:1-8 NRSVA - The Covenant Extended to All Who Obey - Bible Gateway.  
Colossians 1:24-27 NRSVA - Paul's Interest in the Colossians - I - Bible Gateway.

## Benefice Prayer List

### All Saints'

Annie, Liz, Dot, Peter S

### St Mary's

Chris & Sue, Jean, Stephanie, Nick, Vivien, Annie D, Angela, Anthony, Judith H. We give thanks for the life of Pat Keene and pray for Daughters Ruth & Sally

### St Peter's

Constance, Jonathan, Terry & Judy

# Diary of events

(Including services on the rota)

## Mon 26 Jan

11.45am Funeral Bill Noyes, Basingstoke Crematorium, Nicky

## Thu 29 Jan

11am Men's Café, Abbots Ann Village Shop, Peter

2.30pm Men's Café, Abbots Ann Village Shop, Tim

## Sun 1 Feb, Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

8am Holy Communion, St Peter's, Teresa

9.30am Morning Worship, St Mary's, Nicky

9.30am Parish Communion, All Saints', Teresa

11am Informal Worship, St Peter's, Tim

6pm Zoom Praise, Tim



## January 2026 Prayer Card

Encircle us Lord, with the Holy Spirit,  
as we travel through this month.

May we learn from our experiences of the  
past year, live with you at the centre of our  
present

and focus on your words of hope for the  
coming year.

May we centre our lives with Christ.

Amen.

Write down your prayer focus for this month.

You may have additional prayers but these  
are your core.

3 people (family/friends) who are in need:

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A situation in the world:

\_\_\_\_\_

For Messy Church, Little Steps and our  
Schools

Own choice:

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## Activities for families with children

Please click on the [LINK](#) for this weeks activity



# Carers Coffee Morning

Are you finding the challenges of being a carer  
overwhelming at times?

Whether your loved one lives with you, lives  
elsewhere but you are their primary care person,  
or you need a safe space to offload,  
to laugh, to cry, to share, then come along.

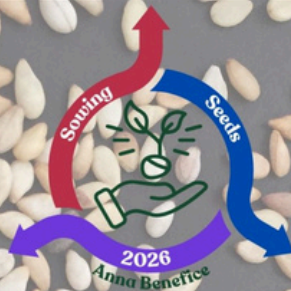
First get together is  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

2nd Friday of the month  
10.30am - 12.00pm  
St Peter's Room  
St Peter's Church,  
Goodworth Clatford



Revd Nicky Judd is the Coordinator for the Coffee Morning.  
Any questions, please contact her on 729075 or email: [revdnickyannabenefice@gmail.com](mailto:revdnickyannabenefice@gmail.com)

## Sowing Seeds of Faith Quiet Morning



Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2026

10am - 1pm

(soup lunch included)

All Saints' Church,  
Upper Clatford

Come and rest, pray, listen

God is with us

What is he calling us to?



Abbotts Ann, Upper Clatford and Goodworth Clatford



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Contact Revd Teresa to book a place  
571213 or [revdteresaannabenefice@gmail.com](mailto:revdteresaannabenefice@gmail.com)

# WEDNESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

Andover's Viking -  
Olaf Tryggvason



**Do you know why  
there is a Viking ship  
in Andover linked to  
St Olaf's church in  
Norway?**

**Come along and hear  
Dr Andrew Hopley's  
intriguing story.**



**ALL WELCOME  
ADMISSION £2**

**UPPER CLATFORD HISTORY GROUP  
VILLAGE HALL, UPPER CLATFORD  
7.30PM**



Dear All,

During 2025, our Benefice placed a particular focus on Prayer, Communication and Succession Planning. In each of these areas, some progress has been made, though in each there remains a need for continued attention and care.

We are now at a point where we need to look further into the future and consider how our churches and parishes can continue to sustain and grow faith, generosity of spirit, gifts of time and service and financial support. We are called to be places that welcome others warmly, offering hospitality, belonging and worship that draws new people in and helps us all feel at home.

Our churches are wonderful places to be, with deeply supportive congregations and committed PCCs. There is so much to celebrate, and we give heartfelt thanks for the countless hours that so many people give – often quietly, behind the scenes, and sometimes only noticed when something is no longer done. We are incredibly fortunate to be able to offer as much as we do.

At the same time, much of what we achieve relies on a relatively small number of people who organise, lead and support our activities. Some members of our PCCs and church rotas are hoping to step down after many years of faithful service yet feel unable to do so because there may be no one ready to take their place. Pressures of work, family life, health and age affect us all at different times, and inevitably shape the life of each church and our wider communities.

With this in mind, and with a shared desire to deepen our faith and strengthen our connections with one another and with those beyond our church walls, 2026 will be our year of ‘Sowing Seeds’. Through a continued focus on prayer, and on building each church as a loving family held by God and centred on his presence, we hope that what we sow and continue to nurture will enable our worshipping communities to grow and flourish.

‘Sowing Seeds’ can take many forms. It may involve exploring a role within the life of the church that you have not previously considered – perhaps sensing a call as a lay worship leader or using your gifts to support the church through the PCC. It may be offering yourself as a prayer advocate, faithfully holding aspects of our church’s life before God each day, especially if physical involvement is no longer possible. It may be as simple, and as powerful, as inviting a neighbour or fellow villager to come to church.

What ideas might you have to help us to sow seeds for the future? Many wonderful things were achieved in years gone by, and many are happening now. What new possibilities might God be inviting us into in this second quarter of the 21st century?

We would love to hear from you and welcome your thoughts and ideas. We will be exploring and nurturing these seeds through the year, and our PCC Benefice Meeting at Clatford Primary School, 7pm on Monday 19th January 2026 is open to anyone who would like to attend. There will also be other opportunities to gather together and share in the months ahead.

God is very present in our churches, our parishes and our daily lives, calling us to step forward with courage and faith as we sow the seeds he has placed before us and trust him for the growth to come. We look forward to another year of worship, prayer, joy and togetherness.

With every blessing

Teresa and the Ministry Team

# Notices & News

## Evensong

We're going to change the time of Evensong to 3pm in winter months (October – March). This will make it easier for worshippers to travel home in daylight. When British Summer Time starts Evensong will revert to 6pm. **The first Evensong at 3pm will be on 22<sup>nd</sup> February.**



If you need any help or support then don't hesitate to contact one of the team

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