



Grovehill Church

of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 25th January 2026-31st January 2026

The Rev's Ramblings

We've just been through what our culture calls the most depressing time of the year. The weather has been cold, wet and miserable. The month has been long. There have been bills and annual licences or check-ups to pay for. Heating has been required if you can afford it. Comfort food can also make us feel sluggish and ready to hibernate.

Urgh!

But, peep out from under the duvet. Deliberately prepare yourself to receive the day, because "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 (Matthew 4.16)". Having faith and hope means believing in a better time to come which will give us a reason to open our eyes and ask God to lift us out of our slump. It is a two-way thing. God can lift us out of our 'slimy pit' and stand us in a firm place (Psalm 40.1-3) but we have to be willing, with God's help, to unfold ourselves from our foetal sleeping position and be willing to stand on our own feet. I wonder if we can sabotage God's opportunities and blessings to us by burrowing back into our nest of fear, bitterness or whatever has been keeping us from seeing God's light of love. Yes, sometimes our mental health can be a barrier, but God can join us on our side of the blockage and lead us through, if we just hold God's hand.

Prayer focus this week

Pray for everyone who uses their skills for the benefit of others.

Locally Pray for St Albans Church – Warners End (Anglican).

This week's other News



Baptism or Confirmation

If you are interested Baptism or Confirmation please contact Rev Austin or Jenny.

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 25th January after the 11am Service. 'SOUPER BOWL' – Soup & Bread Lunch.

All are welcome.

Sign-Up Sheet available in church.

Suggested donation of £5 (or more).

Payment on the day, card reader available.

Sunday 25th January at 4pm

St Paul's Patronal Festival

At St Paul's Church, Highfield

Messy Church 16th February at 1:30pm

See poster above.

Film Night 28th February at 6pm

In church.



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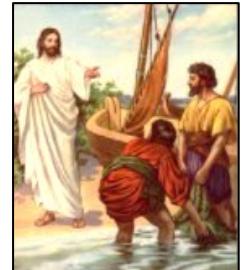
SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY 25th January – Epiphany 3

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
 11:00am FREE CHURCH COMMUNION with JUNIOR CHURCH
 and ON FACEBOOK
 Guest Minister: Rev'd Colin Cartwright – Carey Baptist Church

Readings this week: Psalm 27.1, 4-12 Gospel Reading: Matthew 4.12-23

12:15pm 'SOUPER BOWL' - SOUP & BREAD LUNCH IN CHURCH HALL
 4:00pm St PAUL'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL at St Paul's Church, Highfield.
 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 26th January

3:30pm-4:30pm AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY SERVICE IN CHURCH HALL

TUESDAY 27th January

9:15am-11:35pm DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH
 10:00am-12noon CATHOLIC DISCUSSION GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
 1:30pm-3:00pm THE FELLOWSHIP GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
 7:30pm-9:00pm PASTORAL CARE TEAM MEETING IN CHURCH HALL



WEDNESDAY 28th January

10:30am-12:30pm HEADWAY HERTS GROUP (GNA) IN CHURCH HALL
 7:30pm-9:00pm ROMANIAN PRAYER GROUP IN CHURCH

THURSDAY 29th January

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



FRIDAY 30th January

6:30pm-7:30pm ROMANIAN CHURCH CHILDREN'S PRACTICE IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 31st January

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

Next Sunday 1st February – Candlemas

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
 11:00am ANGLICAN HOLY COMMUNION with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK
 12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE
 3:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH
 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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