

WEEKLY REFLECTION

RESIST ENVY

Some folks are too insecure to applaud the success or achievements of another, like a co-worker, distant relative, sibling, spouse, or even a child. They feel that they must have comparable success, so they won't feel inferior. If they can indeed claim a similar personal achievement, then they are quick to mention it. The truth is that someone will always have more success than you do, and someone will always have less. It takes daily, conscientious effort to fight discontentment and to enjoy whatever level of success God has blessed you with. Television commercials, roadside advertisements and even well-meaning family and friends send the message: 'You're lacking something. Buy this, buy that!' Solomon said, **'Better a little with the fear of the LORD than great wealth with turmoil'** (Proverbs 15:16 NIV). Hebrews13:5 says **'Be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you"'** (NIV). If you find yourself feeling the need to compete when a compliment is given to another, immediately recognise and renounce the spirit of insecurity that's trying to ensnare you. Begin to reject this kind of behaviour by responding in the opposite manner. Practise being secure enough to enjoy someone else's achievements. You will have to 'practise' this, because there's a good chance that you will not 'feel' secure initially. Just do it. Allow your faith to dictate your behaviour. When you obey the Holy Spirit and allow Him to determine your actions, your-envy grows weaker and must ultimately submit to the Spirit's control.

'A HEART AT PEACE GIVES LIFE TO THE BODY, BUT ENVY ROTS THE BONES.'

PROVERBS 14:30 NIV



Pray: God will help you praise whatever it is that you admire in another's gifts or possessions

Source: UCB Word for Today written by Bob & Debby Gass. Free copies of Word for Today available from church or United Christian Broadcasters, Westport Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 4JF, tel. 01782 363000

SUNDAY SERVICES @ CHWCHURCHES

GLUTEN FREE? If you require a gluten free wafer for communion please let the sides people know when you arrive and inform the priest when you get to the altar rail.

22nd November 2026 (Christ the King)

ST MICHAEL'S HORTON
11.00 a.m. Joint Parish Communion Service
Celebrating Ian Harman's 50 years as organist

ST ANDREW'S WRAYSBURY & ST THOMAS' COLNBROOK
No services - please join us at St Michael's

29th November 2026
(First Sunday of Advent / St Andrew's Patronal Festival)

ST ANDREW'S WRAYSBURY
11.00 a.m. Joint Parish Communion Service

ST MICHAEL'S HORTON & ST THOMAS' COLNBROOK
No services - please join us at St Andrew's

Next upcoming COMBINED service for your diaries:

Christmas Day - Friday 25th December - 10am - St Andrew's Wraysbury

27th December at St Michael's Horton
9.30 a.m. Joint Parish Communion

SAFEGUARDING ST. ANDREW'S, ST. MICHAEL'S AND ST. THOMAS' CHURCHES ARE COMMITTED TO THE SAFETY AND WELLBEING OF ALL CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS WHO FALL WITHIN OUR CARE. A COPY OF OUR SAFEGUARDING POLICY MAY BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBPAGE. IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS AT ALL ABOUT THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN OR VULNERABLE ADULTS YOU CAN CONTACT OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER, HEATHER HERMES ON 01784 391417 EMAIL: SAFEGUARDING@CHWCHURCHES.ORG ALTERNATIVELY YOU CAN CONTACT THE DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING TEAM, 01865 208295 EMAIL: SAFEGUARDINGREFERRALS@OXFORD.ANGLICAN.ORG OR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY SOCIAL SERVICES TEAM ON 01628 683150.

CANDLELIGHT CONCERT

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Thank you to everyone who came along on Sunday, the team that organised it all and the performers! It was well attended and showcased some amazing talent. Please enjoy some of the photos from the event – there are a couple of videos on Facebook if you want to take a look too!





















CHURCH NEWS

CURIOUS ABOUT CHRISTMAS

ST THOMAS' CHURCH
SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

Advent is supposed to be a season of waiting and watching but do often it becomes a to do list with candles on.

This year we're hosting a hybrid reflection morning. So if you would like to begin the season from a place of quiet then come to the led reflection where we will be exploring the four aspects of Advent: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love but there is also an option for people to drop in when they can to take part in the four activities in their own time. Everyone welcome.

9.30am Welcome and pastries for those taking part in the led reflection
10.00-11.30am Led reflection
10.00-12noon Drop in anytime to explore Advent
No need to sign up come along and let's explore and reflect together.
For more information contact Rev Sheila

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER I 6:30PM

Come and join us as we officially welcome Christmas to Wraysbury!

Gather outside Frosts Estate Agents for our annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Blessing. Bring your family and friends, wrap up warm and join us for this special moment as the Christmas tree lights up the village and the festive season begins. Everyone is warmly welcome — come and share the Christmas cheer!

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

PLEASE BRING DONATIONS TO CHURCH

We are collecting warm socks, scarves and hats for men and women to give as Christmas presents to people supported by Slough Homeless. Please bring along a new, good-quality item to church and help us share a little warmth and kindness.

PRAYER

Come Together To Pray

MONTHLY COMBINED PRAYER

First Tuesday of every month
No meeting in December due to The Bible Course



OUR MISSION PARTNERS

- Open Doors, serving persecuted Christians and churches worldwide
- Learning 4 Life Foundation, The Kitchen, Zanzibar
- Wraysbury and Horton Voluntary Care
- Alexander Devine Children's Hospice
- Canaan Ministries and Bookshop in Staines

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Jenny Gregg, Danielle Readings, Angela Robertson, David Gregg, Peter Furzer, Leah, Annie, Mark Blackman, Greg Scott, Judy Osborne, Olga Cheeseman, Bea Tucker, Sue Wynne-Davies, Roy Talbot, Sue Waller, Margaret Lenton, George Blackman, Alison, Joan Poole, Louise Swanston, Peter and Shirley Lane.

DURING THE WEEK @ CHWCHURCHES

Monday 23rd November
09.10 Morning Prayer
at St. Michael's
10.00 Horton Community Coffee Morning at Champney Hall

Tuesday 24th November
09.10 Morning Prayer
at St. Thomas'
13.30 St. Andrew's Cafe in St. Andrew's Annexe
19.30 The Bible Course
at St. Michael's

Wednesday 25th November
09.10 Morning Prayer
at St. Andrew's
10.00 Little Lambs Toddler Group in St. Andrew's Annexe
19.00 Connect Youth Group
at St. Thomas'
19.30 Bell Ringing Practice
at St. Andrew's

Friday 27th November
18.30 Blessing of Christmas Tree
outside Frosts Estate Agents

Saturday 28th November
09.00 Men's Breakfast
in St. Andrew's Annexe
09.30 Curious about Advent?
at St. Thomas' Church
10.00 Stitch in Champney Hall
13.00 Make & Mingle
in Champney Hall Studio

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The Frost Partnership

are delighted to invite you to the annual Christmas tree blessing.

Friday 27th November

From 6.30pm

For carols, a special guest!

Mince pies and Mulled Wine

Supported by
The Kitchen

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Christmas

CURIOUS ABOUT ADVENT?

Advent is a season of waiting and watching - but too often it becomes a to-do list with candles on
Join us for a morning to pause, reflect and explore the meaning of Advent

All are welcome

Saturday 28th November
St Thomas' Church, Colnbrook

LED REFLECTION
9:30am Welcome & pastries
10am - 11:30am
Explore Hope • Peace • Joy • Love

OR

DROP IN ANYTIME
10am - 12 noon
Explore interactive Advent activities at your own pace

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