CHRIST CHURCH

Scripture for the Year

"I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth" (Job 19.25).

FUNERAL OF TED BUTT
Ted's funeral will take place at Bentley Crematorium & Cemetery on Wednesday, 11 November at 11.30 a.m., and all who knew Ted are welcome to attend. Please remember the family in your prayers.

PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING FILM & DISCUSSION 11 NOVEMBER AT 7 P.M.
Please come if you can and bring your friends and neighbours to this important film and public discussion. The People's Emergency Briefing is a tool for advising the wider public to enter into the conversation on how we can address the issues of climate change and discuss solutions. The evening will be led by Frances and Wendy, local leaders for this project. Refreshments will be available. It is not essential to book but is helpful for knowing numbers attending. A QR code for booking is on the flier which is available on the welcome table.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – SHOEBOX CAMPAIGN
Please ensure all filled shoeboxes are returned to Church by Sunday, 15 November.

CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD
Our Christ Church Christmas card will be available in the next couple of weeks giving details of our Christmas events and services. It is important that they are delivered across our district before Advent Sunday, 29 November, which is when we have our first Christmas Service. The Advent Sunday Carol Service will be something new this year - it will be a short service held outside with the atrium as the stable scene, and Buttsbury Junior School choir will be singing for us. There will be hot chocolate and other refreshments in the hall afterwards. If you are able, could you please make some time to deliver as many cards as you can so that local people know what is going on at Christ Church over Christmas. We will let you know as soon as the cards are available - thank you!

CTB PRAYER WALK THANKSGIVING SERVICE - FRIDAY, 20 NOVEMBER, 7.30 p.m.
Churches Together in Billericay invites you to a Thanksgiving Service at the Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Laindon Road to thank God for all of those who have taken part in the Billericay Prayer Walk initiative. After the Service there will be refreshments served in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre. All are welcome to attend.

GREENING CHRIST CHURCH - GARDENING TEAM
When the weather allows, the gardening team work on the Church grounds on a Thursday morning between 10 a.m. - 12 noon to do weeding, trimming back shrubs, or sweeping up the leaves. If you are able to help us and aren't sure whether we plan to meet due to weather conditions, please email Jennifer Anderson jaanderson45@yahoo.co.uk or Margaret Fowler m.j.fowler@btinternet.com

We could really do with some extra help!

ISING POP PRAISE PARTY FOR 7 - 12 YR OLDS - SATURDAY, 21 NOVEMBER
An afternoon of fun for 7 - 12 yr olds followed by an iSingPOP praise team performance including the children, at Western Road Methodist Church, Billericay, 1.30 p.m. - 4 p.m.. For enquiries: billericaymcevents@gmail.com or see flier on welcome table.

CHRIST CHURCH QUIZ NIGHT - 21 NOVEMBER, 7 P.M.
We are holding a Quiz Night in aid of Christ Church building repair funds on Saturday, 21 November. You can make up a team of 8 people (no more please), or ask to join a team. Tickets are £8 each, and you can bring along your own drinks and nibbles. If you have any raffle prizes, they would be warmly welcomed! The quizmaster will once again be the lovely Rachel Orford from St Mary the Virgin, and she will be ably assisted by her husband. The Quiz Night earlier this year was great fun, so do join us if you can. We aim to finish by 9 p.m. so it's not a late evening! Please let the office know if you have a team or would like to join one.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE - 29 NOVEMBER AT 5 P.M.
Our Advent Carol Service this year will be outside the atrium and will include a choir from Buttsbury Juniors, but we need your help please! It will be a short carol/nativity service with refreshments afterwards. This is an exciting opportunity to reach out to local families in a different way this year. We will need several stewards, people to prepare refreshments (hot chocolate/tea/coffee/mince pies/biscuits - donations please), people to lightly decorate the hall, and helpers to decorate the nativity scene with lights outside the atrium. Seating will be available for those who cannot stand for too long. A planning meeting via zoom to be arranged asap. Please let Margaret know if you want to be part of this new Christmas outreach.

AUTOMATIC NUMBER-PLATE RECOGNITION SYSTEM
Please be alert to any visitors to ensure they enter their registration number when visiting the Church. There is no need to do so on a Sunday between 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.
PLEASE REMEMBER: If you change your vehicle please email: parking@christchurch-billericay.co.uk However, this email address is not for NEW registrations. Requests for new permanent registration of vehicles for Church members only should be entered on the list kept in the Church Office.

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH
The Christmas Day Lunch for those on their own (and partners) will be hosted at Emmanuel Church again this year. If you would like to book (or you know someone who will be on their own on Christmas Day), please email:- billericayxmas@gmail.com or phone 07795 217217.
The closing date for bookings is 13 December.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10 Nov	Anna's Place, 10.30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
11 Nov	'Delving Deeper' Mulberry House, 10.30 a.m.
11 Nov	Funeral of Ted Butt, Bentley, 11.30 a.m.
11 Nov	'People's Emergency Briefing' CC 7 p.m.
15 Nov	Bubble Church 9.10 a.m. (Breakfast from 8.55)
16 Nov	PCC & reconvened APCM, Christ Church 7.30 p.m.
17 Nov	Anna's Place, 10.30 a.m. - 2 p.m
17 Nov	Deanery Synod, St Chad's Vange, 7.30 p.m.
18 Nov	Parish Prayers, St Mary Magdalen, High St, 7.30 p.m.
20 Nov	CTB Prayer Walk Thanksgiving Service Holy Redeemer, 7.30 p.m.
21 Nov	High St Market, St Mary Magdalen, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
21 Nov	Christ Church Quiz Night with Rachel Orford, 7 p.m.
24 Nov	Anna's Place, 10.30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
29 Nov	Advent Sunday Team Service, Emmanuel 10.30 a.m.
29 Nov	Advent Carol Service (outside!) with Buttsbury Primary Choir 5 p.m.
6 Dec	Billericay Christmas Market
6 Dec	Christmas Messy Church 10 a.m.
7 Dec	Pensioners' Praise Carol Service 2 p.m.

SPECIAL PRAYERS
For Rev Margaret Fowler: Please pray for Margaret as she prepares for Remembrance, and for Christmas Services
For children/young people ministry: Please pray for more helpers to come forward for our Sunday School, and also for the initiatives for 18-30s. Give thanks for Bubble Church and Messy Church and pray for more young families to come along.

SUN

MESSY CHURCH
First Sunday of the month 10 a.m. in the Hall. Contact Angela Wood for details.
Next Service: 6 December

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Next Meeting 8 November

BUBBLE CHURCH
Third Sunday of the month 9.10 a.m. (Breakfast from 8.55 a.m.) **Next Service: 15 November**

MON

PENSIONERS' PRAISE - **2.00 p.m**.
First Monday of the month. All welcome. You don't have to be retired! **Next Service: 7 December**

TUE

MORNING PRAYER - **9.30 a.m.**
Join us in Church.

'ANNA'S PLACE' 10.30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
A warm welcome and activities every week in the Church hall for older adults. Lunch and refreshments included. Just come along. Free

WED

HOLY COMMUNION AT ST MARY MAGDALEN
"The Church in the High Street" at **10 a.m.**

PRAY TOGETHER
An opportunity to pause, reflect and pray.
ONLINE
See 'Christ Church Billericay' FaceBook page
IN CHURCH
1st & 3rd Wednesday evenings at **7.45 p.m.**
Next Meeting: 18 November

THU

LADIES ON THURSDAY (LOTS)
Fortnightly 9.30 a.m. **Next Meeting: 19 November**

FRI

CHRIST CHURCH TODDLER GROUP
10 - 11.30 a.m. Contact Church Office for details.

SAT

DAMBUSTERS
For dads and children under 5. Third Saturday of the month at 8.30 a.m. in the Hall.
Next Meeting: 21 November

CORNERSTONE COFFEE-SHOP
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday
8.45 a.m. – noon

Prayer Focus

If there is an urgent prayer request to be sent round our prayer circle please email the Church Office:- office@christchurch-billericay.co.uk

For our Mission Partners:
St Francis Church Ciamanda & Ciamanda Primary School, Kenya; Pappy Daniel (Light of Hope Mission, India), Verity Butt (YWAM); LMDC, Schools Ministry Billericay, Prison Fellowship, Anvil House, Church Urban Fund, Billericay Foodbank, LMDC (Clergy Support Charity)

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Christ Church, Billericay

"To know Jesus better and to make Jesus better known"

8 November 2026
Remembrance Sunday

10.00 a.m. **Morning Worship**
Lead: Pete Fisher
Preach: Catherine Benbough
Bible Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13 end
Matthew 25: 1-13
Worship Songs:
In Christ Alone
O Lord The Clouds are Gathering
Dear Lord and Father of Mankind
He Will Hold Me Fast
How Great Thou Art

Collect for Remembrance Sunday
God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

15 November 2026
Second Sunday before Advent

9.10 a.m. **Bubble Church (8.55 a.m. for Breakfast)**
10.00 a.m. **Celebration Sunday**
Lead: Rev Margaret Fowler
Preach: Paul Hunt

OUR 10 A.M. SERVICES ARE LIVE-STREAMED

HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

NO PHOTOGRAPHY DURING THE SERVICE PLEASE

CONTACTLESS DONATIONS ACCEPTED
ALSO VIA QR CODE – SEE LEAFLET
ON WELCOME TABLE
We do not pass a collection plate around during the Service, but if you would like to make a donation to Christ Church, the card machine and collection plate are next to the Welcome Table.