



OUR VISION STATEMENT:


**"To love and serve God, each other and our community."**

As a family of Christians our mission is to grow in worship of God and the experience and sharing of the love of Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit, with everything covered in prayer

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For details of Sunday Services please visit our website: [www.htdchurch.org](http://www.htdchurch.org) you will also find a copy of this notice sheet.

 Holy Trinity Deanshanger

**Please ask if you would like to know more about our Services or Regular Meetings. Each week Home Groups meet on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.**

**Prayer Ministry**  **available throughout the week. Please contact us via our website.**

**Giving:** This church is solely financed by its members and receives no outside funding. Most church members support our work locally through regular bank standing orders or *weekly* envelopes. If you are a visitor and a taxpayer and would like to support our work, please place your gift in one of the Gift envelopes on the pews and complete the details; this will increase the value of your gift by 25%.

**To those giving weekly who are not tax payers.** Thank you for your faithful giving but because of changes in regulations it is best if you do not use the envelopes or put your name on it. Instead, put your gift directly into the collection bag and that way we can then claim Gift Aid on it which enhances it by 25%. Last year we were able to claim back around £1000 on our cash giving. Thank you.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

7.40pm Polymnia rehearsal, church room.

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

**09.55-10.25 Prayer for the new incumbent, Prayer room.**

10.30 Morning Worship @ Holy Trinity our last opportunity to hear Richard Ormston during the Interregnum. Children's group for the younger children, the older one are encouraged to hear Richard. Duty group Rectory.

3.30pm Songs of Praise @ Haven Court

7.30pm Fiori Musicali Concert @ St Guthlac's

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

09.30 Craft Club church room. Please bring whatever project you are working on.

1.30 Church tots will be held **at The Chapel.**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

8.15pm Christmas Quiz, Deanshanger Sports & Social Club. Men's Group invite friends and family to an evening of fun and Christmas jollity and mouth watering Christmas fayre, topped by Chef Martin's most talked about, most anticipated home's made Christmas pudding! The cost for this magnificent Christmas extravaganza is £10 per person. (Max 6 per team) No Santa but plenty of Ho, Ho, Ho guaranteed!

**\*\*CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2017\*\***

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

4.00 pm All Age Service @ Holy Trinity

5.30 pm Carols by Candlelight Concert @ St Guthlac's.

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

16.00 Family Carols Holy @ Trinity followed by tea and mince pies.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

Pantivity! Join us on the Village Green – 4pm

**Christmas Eve**

09.00 Christmas Holy Communion @ St. Guthlac's  
Speaker/celebrant Revd. Jim Blackett.

23.00-00.30 Midnight Holy Communion @ Holy Trinity.

**Christmas Day**

10.30 Christmas Family Communion @ Holy Trinity.

**Now for a few important messages.**

**You can have £130 donated to church funds by taking out home insurance with Ecclesiastical in 2018. See noticeboard for more details.**

**Church of England Christmas Outreach.**

Sign up and get your friends and family to join **Your Christmas Journey** by texting **GodWithUs** to **88802\***. You'll receive one SMS for each of the thirteen reflections.

*\*Standard network rates apply. You will not be charged to receive any messages from us.*

**With Thanks**

To the Fielding family who provide the Advent flower display in remembrance of their parents who used to worship here many years ago.

**Dates for your Diary**

**Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 10am till midday.** Decorating the Church for Christmas! Please come and help - the tree, the lights, the greenery and flowers all need willing hands and hearts. Let Cathy know please.

**Please pray for:**

- Mike Preston who sadly passed away last night, and for his family who were with him at the end. In Barry's own words, "He is now in the arms of our loving Lord".
- The 89 Faith In Action Churches (Andhra Pradesh) for further growth this Christmas
- Helen Edwards and her mum as they recover from injuries sustained in a recent car accident.
- Michael Braid who has been called back to the Cardiology ward at Milton Keynes Hospital.
- Our new Rector, James Pennington and his family as they prepare for their new life in the Parish.
- for Ted, Denise's father, as he settles back home following his recent stroke.
- for Carol Pattinson and her continued recovery from surgery.
- for Julie Boddington and her complete recovery.
- **Give thanks for:**
- Janaki reports positive growth of the work of Faith In Action Ministries especially the successful growing Goat project.
- Open the Book in both Primary schools.
- The joy of working together with the Chapel
- The openness of our Primary schools and for the new link with EWS.

**Please pray for all the residents of:**

Winwood Close, Goosemere and Foxholes Close in December.

