

A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of
weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near
to them.
We pray for those with power over war or
peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious chil-
dren, at risk and in fear, that you would hold
and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.
Amen.



Collect

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the
Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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My notes

Giving at St James

If you wish to make a donation towards the ministry
of St. James, or indeed need to pay for a specific
service, please speak to Rev Ian or the Churchward-
ens. Alternatively, you can scan the QR code in this
notice. Thank you.



Pastoral Visiting

If you would like the opportunity for a longer chat than
time affords after a church service please feel free to
contact me. Thank you. Rev. Ian

2nd February 2025

10.30am Communion Service

Welcome and notices

Opening words (*page 1*)

Hymn: Be thou my vision (*64*)

Confession (*pages 2-4*)

Gloria

Collect (*page 5*)

Readings: Hebrews 2:14-end

Hymn: This child

Gospel reading: Luke 2:22-40

Sermon

Creed (*page 7*)

Prayers

The Peace

Hymn: Christ be our light (*401*)

Communion Prayer H (*page 38*)

The Lord's Prayer (*page 12*)

Invitation to Communion (*page 14 b*)

Prayer of humble access (*page 15 a*)

Share Communion

Prayer after Communion (*page 16 a*)

Hymn: Love divine (*428*)

Blessing (*Page 17*)

Dismissal (*Page 17*)

Large print service books are available.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 2nd February:

10:30am - Communion Service
3:00pm - Messy Church

Monday 3rd February:

10:30am - Prayer meeting at Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 4th February:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 5th February:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Thursday 6th February:

7:30pm - Open deanery synod at Christ Church

Sunday 9th February:

8:00am - Communion Service (BCP)
10:30am - Family Service

Deanery Synod

The next Deanery Synod will be held at Christ Church, Sidcup, on 6th February gathering at 7:30pm.

This is an open synod and our Diocesan Bishop, Jonathan, will be coming to speak to us about the Diocesan Vision and Strategy. He will also be taking questions on that, and other issues.

If you are interested in attending there is no need to book - just turn up!!

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **2nd February 2025** and we will be thinking about **Jesus' childhood**. Please pray for those who plan and deliver this ministry as we look ahead for ideas for upcoming gatherings. Any offers to help with crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up would be **really helpful**. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. It is an opportunity for parents/carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this ministry, please see Rev Ian.



A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth. Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.

Mission Partners



We pray for the work of Cribs in Bexley Schools in their mission to support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of young people and children in our schools in Bexley.

News from the Food Bank

The food bank has an urgent need for::

- ◆ Tinned fruit and veg
- ◆ Chocolate/snacks
- ◆ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs
- ◆ Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- ◆ Long life/evaporated milk
- ◆ Ready made custard
- ◆ Dried noodles, pasta & rice
- ◆ Pasta/curry sauces
- ◆ Stuffing/gravy
- ◆ Jam, honey, spreads
- ◆ Tins of baked beans, beans and sausages, macaroni cheese & chilli con carne
- ◆ Baby products - wet wipes, nappies size 4-6
- ◆ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- ◆ Shampoo & Razors
- ◆ Housecleaning products
- ◆ Toilet and kitchen roll



Prayer Focus

Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:



Maureen B, Brenda M, Mavis M, Brenda P, Janet C, Mike S, Margaret M, Carol M, Barry G, Thelma H and Stephen R.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Ann C and Janet, Sian and Graham C.

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Bowes Close and Burns Avenue..