

## 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 children, at  
risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus,  
the Prince of Peace.  
Amen.



## 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 Churchwardens.  
Alternatively, you can scan  
the QR code in this notice. Thank you.



## Everyday Faith

Everyday Faith is a new app from the Church of England which is  
available for Android and Apple devices (from your usual app  
store). There is also a web page at [https://  
www.churchofengland.org/resources/everyday-faith-portal](https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/everyday-faith-portal)

The app is designed around daily reflections, prayers and guid-  
ance to help folk find and follow God in our everyday lives. It  
seeks to help people grow into a Christ-centred and Christ-shaped  
life. It will also have seasonal content (such as at Advent/  
Christmas).

## 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

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## My notes

## Collect

Almighty God,  
you show to those who are in error the light of your  
truth,  
that they may return to the way of righteousness:  
grant to all those who are admitted  
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,  
that they may reject those things  
that are contrary to their profession,  
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the  
same;  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.



**1st March 2026**

**10.30am Communion Service**

Welcome and notices

Opening words (*page 1*)

Hymn: O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

Confession (*pages 2-4*)

Collect (*page 5*)

Readings: Genesis 12:1-4a  
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Hymn: All my hope on God is founded

Gospel reading: John 3:1-17

Sermon

Creed (*page 7*)

Prayers

The Peace

Hymn: Remembrance (Oh how could it be)

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: The Lord's my Shepherd (Townend)

Blessing (*Page 17*)

Dismissal (*Page 17*)

**Large print service books are available.**



# NOTICES

## Dates for your diary

### Sunday 1st March:

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

### Monday 2nd March:

10:00am - Prayer meeting @ Hawthorn Road

### Tuesday 3rd March:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

### Wednesday 4th March:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome  
2:30pm - 3-2-1 Course after Place of Welcome

### Thursday 5th March:

7:30pm - 3-2-1 Course @ the Vicarage

### Sunday 8th March:

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

## Christmas Card Donations

Many thanks to all those who donated to Christian Aid in lieu of sending Christmas cards at church. The total raised was £245. This has now been sent off to Christian Aid in support of their work.

## Cake Sale - 22nd March



CAKES !! We are holding a cake sale after the Morning service, in aid of VICTA, a charity which empowers blind children and young adults.

Mary N. is raising money for VICTA, by competing in the London Marathon, on 26th April. Daughter Sarah will be her guide, as she aims to finish in 7½ hours. You can sponsor her by following this link:

<https://2026tcs londonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/mary-nunns>

Do come along to the Cake Sale and enjoy some delicious home-made produce. There will also be an opportunity to sponsor Mary there.

(PS Ian Smith guarantees that his flapjack is calorie-free!)

# KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place **today** and our theme will be the life of **St. David**. 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. This 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. Pets are welcome! Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.



## Mission Partners

We pray for the work of **SLADE GREEN FOOD-BANK**. We pray for Mell and the support staff, with a particular focus that a long term solution to the problems associated with collecting food from the supermarkets who support the project will be found. We give thanks for those volunteers who have stepped in to help in the meantime.

## News from the Food Bank

Slade Green 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:**



Brenda M, Brenda P, Janet C, Mike S, Barry G, Thelma H, Stephen R and Harper.

We pray Nicky and her family as they mourn the death of Nicky's sister, Lynne. We also pray for the family of Nicola D. (nee H.) who died suddenly recently.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray specifically for Brenda P, David P and Stephen R..

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