

Welcome to Albury Churches



NOTICES FOR
29 JANUARY 2023

With God, giving can
also be receiving

Services for 29 January 2023 – the fourth Sunday of Epiphany

9.30 a.m. Morning worship (at the Parish Church – also to be livestreamed)

Lead: Andrew Pearson

Readings: 1 Kings 17: 8-16 (p. 358) and John 2: 1-11 (p.1065) – Anthony Cassidy

Prayers: Jeff Bartholomew

ProPresenter and Zoom etc: Team Viney

Sound: Simon Viney

Sidesperson: Anthony Cassidy

Coffee: Sarah Stevens

The service will be followed by coffee.

We are a Fairtrade church and our tea and coffee is bought from Fairtrade sources

Car parking

Please park around the church or considerately in the road. We have not booked the Bowling Club car park today.

A chance to say hello to Phil and Jenny

We are very pleased that Phil and Jenny Bushell are in Albury on Sunday and will be with us for the service.

Next Zoom prayer meeting on Sat 4th

If you would like to join a Zoom prayer meeting for the church at 9.00 a.m. on (normally) the first Saturday each month, please email minister@alburychurches.org for the link. Next one 4th February.



The next all age service is on 5 February 2023 at 9.30 a.m. in Albury Church. The next Messy Church is on 12 February 2023 at 4.00 p.m., also in Albury Church.

Online provision



If you can't get to church, you are very welcome to link via the livestream tab at the top of the Home page at www.alburychurches.org. If you had the old church website bookmarked, renewing the bookmark might get you to the right page more speedily.

Wanted – teamakers for Messy Church

For some while Natalie Carter has provided brilliant packed teas for Messy Church, and we are now looking for a rota of people to take this on in her place. The idea is that you will provide a set of teas for the day, but you don't need to serve them or stay for Messy Church - just deliver. We'll give guidance on what to provide, and you can claim back the cost. If you think you can help, please email Sheena - sheena.pearson@btopenworld.com.

Got candles to recycle?

We can get your used candles to a candle recycling outfit in the West Country. So don't chuck them in the bin – there is a recycle box at the back of church.

Updating the church contact list

It's useful to have a list of people associated with the church for ease of contact and for use by leaders of groups, etc. In the past such lists were often public but are now governed by strict data protection rules. Our list was compiled, mainly from paper forms filled in by you, in 2018 and is now due for an update. We will be doing this through our church admin system which is highly secure and also helpful for sharing information.

Over the next few weeks we will be emailing everyone with their own personal link to get access to the system and instructions on how to review their details. If you don't think you are in our contact list already but would like to be, please email Andrew – minister@alburychurches.org. Also get in touch if you have any queries, or if you'd rather just confirm your written details for us to do the entering.

Collections in church and online giving

Thank you for your gifts, which are vital. If you would like to set up a new regular giving arrangement, you can easily do so by clicking this link for the [Parish Giving Scheme](#).

There are three ways you can make non-regular gifts, whenever you like:

- Placing cash in the bag as it comes round at a service in church
- At our 'Give a Little' donation page [here](#), with a credit or debit card.
- By using your smartphone to read the QR code on the glass exit door, or near the font, which also takes you to our

Chilworth Infant School 150 years

Chilworth Church of England Infant School is 150 years old this year and will be celebrating! More details soon, which will be of interest if you are or were associated with the school.

For prayer

"Ask the Lord of the harvest... to send out workers into his harvest field." (Matthew 9: 38)

Please pray for **our church's effectiveness** doing the work of Jesus in Albury and wherever we are, and for **growth** spiritually and in energy and numbers. Pray that God will provide the **leaders, supporters, and resources** for what he wants. Pray for our own **spiritual awareness, commitment, and readiness**.

Please remember **John Baxter**, and **John Gould**, John's granddaughter **Joanna**, **Barry Arnfield**, **Betty Adams**, **Diane Heaney**, and **Roy Goodall**. Add the name of anyone you know.

Pray for events in the news across the world. The challenges and obligations of the **Police**. The various **industrial disputes** in the UK, the **NHS** pressures from staffing levels and events, and the **cost of living** issues facing so many. Remember **Ukraine**, and conflicts everywhere. Pray for opinion in Russia to aid the course of peace. Please uphold the **Royal Family**.

Please pray for **young people** in our neighbourhood, for contact and friendships and for **Jeff** in his work. Please continue to pray for **all engaged in ministry** across the benefice, which ultimately includes each one of us. Pray for the **schools** in the benefice and their staff.

If you would like something added to this list, please email Andrew. Don't forget you can ask for prayer for anything at all, by emailing prayer@alburychurches.org. Say if you would like it to appear on this list.

Food Bank

Please don't forget to bring something for the Food Bank. One thing a week from lots of people makes a big difference.

News from far and near

Phil and Jenny Bushell will be at Albury this Sunday, and will update us on what's been going on with them. They plan to return to Bangladesh for three months around Mar 1st. They have disengaged from their leadership positions in organisations there, and future plans are unclear as they can no longer work on long-term visas. In the meantime, Jenny has been able to make some medical appointments.



Back in Bangladesh, a good friend, a doctor, was able to prescribe medication for colleagues Hebol and Maya's daughter's special needs which has made life easier for them all. Do pray for the family as they are under pressure from several directions. Building work on the new dining room and kitchen at the Bible College/conference centre is nearing completion. After that, using funds from further giving, Phil and Jenny hope to assist a new conference room above the dining room.

Claire Anderson and GoMAD - Please pray for respite, for the work generally, and for the well-being of all those involved in GoMAD's support for rural Tanzanian communities.

Can you crochet a sloth?

Shere School would love some more of these friendly plant holders. If you have been longing for a use for your crochet skill this could be it. Pattern supplied. Sheena Pearson has the contact details. Thanks to those who are already doing it!



Contact

Andrew and Sheena's day off is Friday. minister@alburychurches.org

A Collect for today

God of heaven,
you send the gospel to the ends of the earth
and your messengers to every nation:
send your Holy Spirit to transform us
by the good news of everlasting life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Little Fishes

- for all preschoolers and those who look after them, next meets at 9.30 a.m. on Friday 3 February, at St Michael's Farley Green. For details of meetings contact Penny Randall at pennycrandall@hotmail.com

Services for Sunday 5 February 2023

8.00 a.m. Communion at the Parish Church
using the Book of Common Prayer

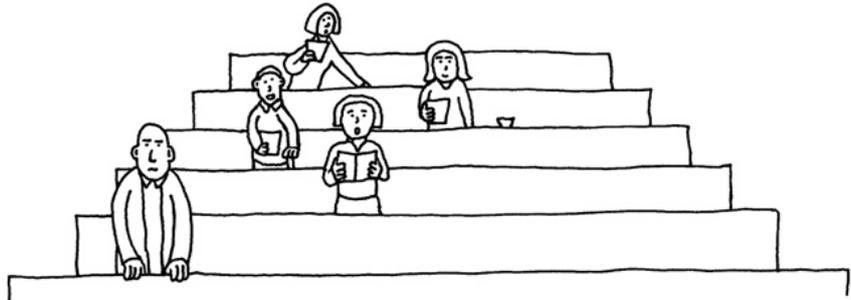
9.30 a.m.: All age worship, at the Parish Church and livestreamed
'Discover who you really are'

And finally – please don't get ideas...

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