



# Albury Church Weekly News and Notices

## Sunday 17 November

### Services for Sunday 17 November 2024

#### 9.30 am Morning Worship

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, Open our Eyes



Eric Gill, Domine, ut videum (Lord, May I see!), Relief at Moorfields Eye Hospital

Jesus asks one of the most important questions he ever asked of a blind man he encountered on a roadside; 'What do you want me to do for you? If you were to meet Jesus and he asked you this question, what might your response be?

#### Readings

Epistle: [Psalm 126](#)

Gospel: [Mark 10:46-end](#)

Lead: Sarah Hutton

Reading: Hayley Esselen

Prayers: Penny Randall

Sound: Tina Playford

Sidesperson: Sue Thompson

The service will be available via Zoom as well, link can be found on our [website](#)

Coffee will be served as usual after the Service, so please stay.

#### Poppy Display

For those of you that missed last Sunday, we would like to share the amazing poppy display with you. **Special thanks** go to the Albury Knitting and Crochet Club who have worked very hard over the last couple of months preparing for last Sunday! Gill Ivimy had the idea and Shirley Farrer made the vision a reality by co-ordinating the project and making many of the poppy's herself!



We have decided the display is too good to just enjoy for one Sunday, so it will be up until Advent.

The Knitting and Crochet Club meet once a month on a Wednesday afternoon at Nicola's house. New members are very welcome! You can either bring your own craft project, join in with a group project or just come for a coffee and chat. If you're interested to join, please contact Nicola McNaughton or either of the wardens who can put you in touch.

*Note - We know some people asked for the photos to be attached so they can share it with family and friends, hence why you also have them as attachments to this newsletter.*

### **Plant a bulb to remember a loved one**

There are still some bulbs left at the back of Church. Feel free to help yourself and plant a bulb to remember a loved one.

### **Nativity Crib**

The time for the Nativity Crib Journey drawing near again! In past years, many people enjoyed hosting our wooden crib set for one night each – how about you?



Three Nativity Sets will be sent out on their journeys to homes in and around the parish, from the Advent service at 9.30 am on December 1st in the Parish Church.

The cribs arrive back at the church during the Christingle service on Christmas Eve.

There are mini knitted sheep coming along too! Each household keeps one sheep as a reminder of the story and the crib.

If you would like to have the Nativity Set for a night on its journey please let us know **by 20 November** on [NativityCrib@alburychurches.org](mailto:NativityCrib@alburychurches.org)

Please provide your address and contact information plus any dates you CANNOT have the crib.

### Foodbank donations



Just a reminder that we have a permanent collection box for Foodbank items in the lobby of the Church. Please see a list below of some items they are in real need of

- Bags for Life
- Laundry detergent
- Sharing chocolates/sweets
- Shampoo / Conditioner
- Long Life Puddings (sponges, jelly, angel delight etc.)
- Toothbrushes / Toothpaste

Regular donations are much appreciated!

### Dates for your diary in November & December

#### Christmas Fair at Guildford Cathedral - 22 - 23 November

Open from 10am-4pm both days. Always a popular event with fabulous stalls to get those unique presents for family and friends.

If you can't make that date or haven't found what you're looking for then there is another Christmas Fair closer to home ...

#### Christmas Fair - Saturday 30 November

Pop in the Village Hall between 12 and 3 pm for some tea, coffee and mince pies and browse the stalls for local Christmas presents. There will be bags, cards, candles, skincare products, jewellery and gifts, home made cakes and preserves and many other products.

All in aid of the new surgical and oncology unit at the Royal Surrey County Hospital.

**Home made cakes for the cake stall and bottles for the bottle tombola would be gratefully appreciated.**

Please contact Tina on 07940 091288 if you are able to help with donations and help on the day (or know someone who might like a stall).

### **Special Christmas services in December**

**Carols in the Drummond - Thursday 19 December, 6.30 pm**

**Carols in the Old Saxon Church - Sunday 22 December, 5 pm**

**Christingle - Tuesday 24 December, 4.30 pm**

**Christmas Day - Wednesday 25 December, 9.30 pm**

There are also many other Christmas services across the Benefice, a schedule of those will follow next week.

### **Christmas wreath making**

The Friends of the St Michael's (aka the Barn Church) are once again organising wreath making workshops on 11 December from 1 - 3 pm and 12 December from 10 am - 12 pm and from 7 - 9 pm.



They'll provide you with all the materials and locally sourced beautiful fresh seasonal foliage, dried seedheads, berries, fir cones and everything else you need to create your festive decoration under Sally Godfrey's friendly guidance. Costs is £45 pp in aid of the Barn Church Roof Appeal.

To book your place, please email [treasurer@thebarnchurch.co.uk](mailto:treasurer@thebarnchurch.co.uk)

### **We need your help!**

#### **Come together to pray for future ministry in Albury**

There is a weekly meeting to pray about the leadership and life of the church. Do join if you can - email Theodora for details ([theodora@alburychurches.org](mailto:theodora@alburychurches.org)).

Looking forward catching up with you all tomorrow

Sasja and Theodora (Churchwardens)

*PS If you no longer wish to receive these weekly emails, please let us know by emailing [wardens@alburychurches.org](mailto:wardens@alburychurches.org)*