



# Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 3rd December 2023 - 9th December 2023

## JENNY'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

If there's one thing the British like to talk about, it's the weather. The moment you're stuck for something to say, out comes: "It's a bit wet today", or "Isn't it nice to see the sun".

There can be so many contrasts between different areas of the country, or even in one day, it's not surprising that the weather comes up regularly.

However, that's probably also why I keep getting caught out. I'll go out walking in the morning under a blue sky and by the time I get back an hour later I'm rather damp, because I'm not dressed properly.

Even worse are the times we go out for the day and find ourselves wishing we'd checked the weather forecast. Either we dress for the summer and there's a howling gale, or we dress for bad weather and we end up sweltering.

Perhaps next time we'll remember to do our preparation!

3<sup>rd</sup> December marks the start of Advent, the season in which we prepare for Christmas.

But, as Jesus told his disciples in Mark Chapter 13, it is a time of preparation for much more than that. At Christmas we celebrate Jesus' first coming; but the readings in Advent remind us that we need to prepare for his second coming as well.

No-one knows when Jesus will come back, but we know for certain that he will.

Let us, then, use this time of Advent to prepare our hearts, our minds, our lives, so we don't get caught out.

## Prayer focus this week

Pray for everyone struggling with heating problems.

Locally pray for Seventh Day Adventist Church their leaders and congregation.

## This week's other News

Let's join with the  
shepherds and Angels  
and sing!



**Community  
Carol Singing  
1pm - 2pm  
Saturday 16th December  
At the Rainbow Stage**



Open optional practices at New Life Pentecostal Church  
Thursday 7th & 14th December at 7.30pm...  
or just come on the day!

**Christmas 2023  
at Grovehill Church  
of the Resurrection**  
Anglican / Free Church



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Sunday 10th December  
Messy Church Christingle  
3pm in Church  
4.30pm at Henry Wells Square  
for Carols and lights switch on

Sunday 17th December  
6pm Community Carols  
with refreshments

**Christmas Eve**  
3pm Children's Crib Service  
11.30pm Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day**  
9.30am All Age Communion

## Dates for your Diary

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm**  
**Evening of Violin & Piano Classics**  
Card machines available for ticket purchase or email Rita at: [riedwards178@gmail.com](mailto:riedwards178@gmail.com)

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm and 4:30pm**  
**Messy Christingle & Christmas Light Switch On**  
in Henry Wells Square.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm to 2pm**  
**CTHH Community Singing** at the Rainbow Stage. See poster.

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## SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

### SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> December – First Sunday of Advent

11am SERVICE OF THE WORD - (NO HOLY COMMUNION)  
with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK  
Readings this week: Isaiah 64.1-9 Gospel Reading: Mark 13.24-37  
12 noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE  
3:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH



### MONDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

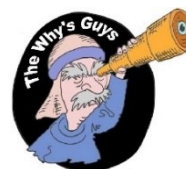
### TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9am - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM




### TUESDAY

9:15am-11:45am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH  
10am-12 noon CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY GROUP IN CHURCH HALL  
7:30pm-9:00pm WHY'S MEN'S BIBLE AND CHAT GROUP ON ZOOM



### WEDNESDAY

10:30am-12:30pm HEADWAY HERTS (GNA) GROUP IN CHURCH HALL  
12pm-1pm LADIES BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM  
7pm-7:30pm SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION IN CHURCH   
7:40pm-9:15pm PCC MEETING IN CHURCH HALL



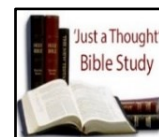
### THURSDAY

1pm-2:45pm STICKY FINGERS TODDLERS CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL  
2:30pm-5:30pm NEXUS HEALTH (NHS) MEETING IN CHURCH  
7:30pm CTHH COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE PRACTICE  
At New Life Pentecostal Church – See poster.



### FRIDAY

1:30pm-3pm 'JUST A THOUGHT' BIBLE STUDY IN CHURCH HALL  
3:30pm-4:30pm AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY SERVICE IN CHURCH  
FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN AND THEIR  
YOUNGER SIBLINGS WITH THEIR PARENTS OR CARERS  
7pm-9pm EVENING OF VIOLIN & PIANO CLASSICS CONCERT IN CHURCH



### SATURDAY

10am-12pm DRINKS AND DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL

### Next Sunday 10th December – Second Sunday of Advent

11am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK  
Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx.  
12 noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE  
3pm-4:30pm MESSY CHRISTINGLE IN CHURCH - followed by  
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON IN HENRY WELLS SQUARE



For all Zoom events, please send an email to [revaustin@sky.com](mailto:revaustin@sky.com) to receive an invite.

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