



# Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

Notice sheet for 22<sup>nd</sup> November – 28<sup>th</sup> November 2020

## Message from the Vicar

The last Sunday of the Church's year before Advent Sunday is often called Stir Up Sunday. This is sometimes the day when people make Christmas Cakes and stir up the mix! The reason for the name comes from the prayer after the Communion which is traditionally worded "Stir up, O Lord. the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord"... basically, "wake us up and get us excited so that we will be doing good things for God". It's so easy to get discouraged when things don't seem to change, or seem to get worse. All our hopes and energy sink to the bottom like a heavy fruit cake where the fruit has sunk. We need to stir the mix... But it can be so thick and our arms get tired. My favourite image is where multiple hands grasp the long handle of the wooden spoon and stir together. We are those hands... and who knows... one of those hands helping to stir may be God's hand. We need God to keep us from sinking. Let's ask God to stir us up so the good fruit doesn't sink.

God bless - Revd Austin.

## Prayer focus this week:

Please continue to pray for those whose health has declined due to Covid-19 and the effects of lockdown. Pray for those who are recovering from operations and those who care for them. In God's world especially pray for Ethiopia.

## This week's other News

### Notice sheet editor **urgently** needed

Please let Revd Austin know if you can help.



## Fundraising event!

This will be a 12 hour ZOOMathon on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2021 from 9am to 9pm, using the wonders of ZOOM. Austin and others will be reading the New Testament from the beginning. If you want to join in or sponsor the event please contact Austin. The money raised will be used to support the ongoing ministry in Grovehill and Woodhall Farm. (contact details below)

## Social event!



We are planning to play bingo via ZOOM just for fun. Watch this space for time and date.

## Easy Fundraising.

Shopping on-line this year? Raise money for the church at the same time at NO COST to you. See new website for more details.

## Christmas isn't cancelled.

We will be delivering Christmas Cards to those on the Church Directory from Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Cards must be received in church by Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December when they will go into quarantine for at least 72 hours – COVID-19 safe – please don't lick the envelopes.

## Messy Church

We will be delivering crafts and stories to do during Advent and Revd Austin will be holding a ZOOM meeting with Facebook and help from Karl between 2 o'clock and 3 every Saturday from 28<sup>th</sup> November until 19<sup>th</sup> December. Please email Sally if you would like to take part in both or either event/s or contact Revd Austin. (contact details below). You must register for the craft pack before 23<sup>rd</sup> November to allow for delivery..



At Home

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## SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

### SUNDAY

11am HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE ON FACEBOOK  
(Grovehill Church of the Resurrection - The Church behind the Chippy)

Readings this week: Ezekiel 34 v11-16, 20-24, Matthew 25 v31-46

12 noon COR REFRESHMENTS BY ZOOM

6.00pm HARDCOR YOUTH GROUP ON ZOOM



### MONDAY

9am to 12 noon CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM



### TUESDAY

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

### WEDNESDAY

12 noon LADIES BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM

7pm PRIVATE PRAYER & MEDITATION

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM



### THURSDAY

11am to 1pm CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM



### FRIDAY

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

### Saturday

2pm to 3pm MESSY CHURCH LIVE ON ZOOM AND FACEBOOK



### NEXT SUNDAY

11am 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent –COMMUNION SERVICE ON FACEBOOK

12 noon COR REFRESHMENTS BY ZOOM

For all **Zoom** events, please send an email to **revaustin@sky.com** to receive an invite.

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