

# Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

Notice sheet for 24th January 2021 - 30th January 2021

### Message from the Vicar

Do you remember the days when we could have parties? Those days will come again, even if we have to build up gradually! The Gospel reading for Sunday 24th January is from John 2.1-11 and is about the Wedding where Jesus was told by his Mum that they had run out of wine! I love this story for lots of reasons: (1) Jesus liked parties he was fun to be around! (2) Despite the failure of the wedding hosts to provide enough hospitality, Jesus turned the failure into something positive. (3) The water jugs that Jesus had filled with water were basically wash-pots used for ritual washing not something to celebrate in themselves. They were a functional piece of equipment, but Jesus' miracle in changing water into wine made the ordinary contain the extraordinary!

For me, the take away from these points is that we don't have to have a faith of dull rules and seriousness. We can live life to its fullest and have fun (however we can!). Whenever we get things wrong, we need to give the failed pieces to Jesus and see how he can turn them around to something positive. And we can be like the water jugs. We may be ordinary, but we can hold and share something amazing and life changing for those around us! Let's be proud to be wash-pots in God's hands!

## Prayer focus this week

Please continue to pray for all who are persecuted throughout the world, America as Leadership transfers and Christian unity throughout the world.

Locally pray for St Albans Church Warners End and for all who are isolating and alone.

#### This week's other News

### **Fundraising**

**Zoomathon** has been provisionally rescheduled for Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March 9am – 9pm

Please let Austin know if you would like to take part or wish to sponsor the event.



Jein Rer'd Austin and others throughout the day as we hear The Good News from The New Testament. All sponsorship will support the ongoing mission of the church to Grovehill and Woodhall Farm.

Email revaustin@sky.com for invite, Donations welcome through https://www.justgiving.com/GravehillChurch or Cheque to 'Gravehill Church' or cash via the Treasurer

#### **Easy Fundraising**

Don't forget when shopping on-line use EASYFUNDRAISING and raise money for the Church at no extra cost to you. See website for details.

For one off donations, use JustGiving <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/GrovehillChurch">https://www.justgiving.com/GrovehillChurch</a>

## Messy Church

Messy Church Takeaway and Zoom session will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 1:30pm. Contact Austin by 7<sup>th</sup> February to sign up.



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## SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

<u>Lockdown 2021</u> – we are allowed to keep the church open for restricted worship, however we do encourage you to join us for **WORSHIP FROM HOME IF YOU CAN**.

SUNDAY 24th January 2021

11am EPIPHANY 3 – FREE CHURCH COMMUNION SERVICE IN CHURCH and ON

**FACEBOOK** 

(Grovehill Church of the Resurrection - The Church behind the Chippy)

Readings this week: Revelation 19 v6-10 and John 2 v1-11

12 noon COR REFRESHMENTS BY ZOOM 6pm HardCOR YOUTH GROUP BY ZOOM

**MONDAY** 

9am to 12 noon CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

**TUESDAY** 

7:45pm PCC MEETING ON ZOOM

(If you ever have a question to place with the Church Council, please send to Sue

the PCC Secretary at suemillbank@btinternet.com)

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

WEDNESDAY

12 noon LADIES BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM

7pm PRAYER & MEDITATION 9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

**THURSDAY** 

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

**FRIDAY** 

9.30pm NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

**Next Sunday** 

11am EPIPHANY 4 - CANDLEMAS

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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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