

Grovehill Church

of the Resurrection

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Message from the Vicar

What sort of person are you? Glass half full or half emptv?

Do you find the positives or negatives about everything?

A family member once said, "I'm not a pessimist, I'm a realist!"

This is important, because being an unthinking optimist can be burying your head in the sand, avoiding the uncomfortable facts.

There's the saying 'The pessimist may be right in the long run, but the optimist had a better time on the journey!'

We need the balance when faced with bereavement and hard times.

If we pretend we are unaffected, we might be avoiding our sadness and in so doing avoiding the deeper healing that tears may have.

The opposite is also risky.

If we dwell only on loss we will be so consumed that we forget to live ourselves.

This is rarely what our loved ones would have wanted if they loved us.

Attendance of Spiritualist Churches to contact passed loved ones (or recreating their responses by artificial intelligence) is understandable, but one of the risks is that we forget to live in the 'now'.

School children are not allowed to take their mobile phones on residentials, not because the phones will get lost, stolen or broken, but because these devices make it easy to text and the children feel more home sick.

They can't enjoy the adventure of the residential.

We don't know what Heaven will be like, but let's not turn our 'now' into Hell because we are envying the gift from God that we are not ready for yet.

Prayer focus this week

Pray for peaceful decisions in the American election.

Locally Pray for Our Lady, Queen of All Creation Bennetts End area (RC).

This week's other News



Sunday 3rd November at 11am **Candle Lighting Service** For remembering loved ones. See poster.

Saturday 9th November at 7pm Beetle Drive in church hall Tickets £4 for games card and Tea/Coffee & Cake - Card readers available.



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SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY 3rd November – Fourth Sunday before Advent

CANDLE LIGHTING AND REMEMBRANCE SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK No Holy Communion

Reading this week

11am

1 John 3.1-3

REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE 12noon 3:30pm-4:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH

MONDAY to FRIDAY 9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY 9:00am - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*





TUESDAY

9:15am-1:15pm DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH 10am-12 noon CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY GROUP IN CHURCH HALL 7:30pm-9pm THE ROMANS COURSE - SESSION 7 IN CHURCH HALL and ON ZOOM*

WEDNESDAY

10:30am-12:30pm HEADWAY HERTS GROUP (GNA) IN CHURCH HALL

THURSDAY

STICKY FINGERS TODDLER CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL 1:00pm-2:45pm

FRIDAY

1:30pm-3pm THE ROMANS COURSE – SESSION 8 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 **ROMANIAN PRAYER GROUP IN CHURCH** 7:30pm-9pm

SATURDAY

10:00am–12noon	DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL
7pm	BEETLE DRIVE IN CHURCH HALL

Next Sunday 10th November – Remembrance Sunday

11:00am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK Please arrive before 10:55am for the 2 minute silence at 11am Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx. **REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE** 12noon

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

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