



Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 5th January 2025 - 11th January 2025

The Rev's Ramblings

People have said to me this Christmas "We don't have young children with us anymore. Christmas is for children." Rubbish! Maybe that is true of the way the world has commercialised it, but there is plenty of the Christmas story and the following season of Epiphany, which is certainly not a story for children! There are elements of monumental brutality from King Herod and his deeper psychology of insecurity. He feared sharing or giving up any power to someone else.

I think the interesting thing about giving permission to God to be the governing power in our lives does not weaken us or take away freedom, it actually gives us more security and freedom. If King Herod had held less tightly to his reign and welcomed the Messiah, the world of that day would have been very different and Herod would have been part of it.

What parts of your life or behaviour do you hold jealously onto which inviting Jesus into to refresh would bring more health and security?

And when people say Christmas or any of the Bible stories are just for children, it forgets that not only did the highly educated 'Wise Men' of Jesus' time seek Jesus, but even highly intelligent and regarded people of the world today know the wisdom of faith. There are scientists today who are not so arrogant to say "We know it all", but admit there may be a Creator who is still interested in every element of existence... even us!

Prayer focus this week

Pray for safety whilst travelling and for all who are injured or lose their life through accidents.

Locally Pray for our combined witness to the town for the New Year.

This week's other News

THE COR
MANY MILES
CHALLENGE
2024

Sign up.
Count your steps.
Add up your miles.
Find sponsorship for
1p per mile (or more or a total)
and raise money for
CANCER RESEARCH UK
and church ministry in
Grovehill & Woodhall Farm

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 5th January - Epiphany Many Miles Challenge 2024

This year some of us have been counting our steps each day to raise money for Cancer Research and this Church.

Austin, Jenny & Bob hope to have achieved 3,000 miles between us.

Please sponsor us if you can.

Card readers and Web donations available.

Stamps, Postcards and Coins for Charity

Please save your Christmas Stamps, postcards, old coins and foreign coins as well so that we can support the Keech Hospice again this year.

Any stamps should be trimmed so that there's a wide bit of envelope around them. See example: →



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SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY 5th January – Epiphany

11am HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH
and ON FACEBOOK

Readings this week Psalm 72.10-15 Gospel Reading: Matthew 2.1-12

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE

3:30pm 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-11:45am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH
10am-12noon CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
7:30pm-9:00pm WHY'S MEN'S BIBLE AND CHAT GROUP ON ZOOM



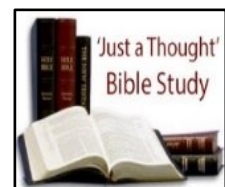
THURSDAY

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



FRIDAY

1:30pm-3pm 'JUST A THOUGHT' BIBLE STUDY IN CHURCH HALL



SATURDAY

10:00am-12noon DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL (Austin is making the drinks!)

Next Sunday 12th January – The Baptism of Christ

11:00am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK
Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx.

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE

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

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