



Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 15th December 2024-21st December 2024

The Rev's Ramblings

As I was sat in my office pondering what to write for this edition of The Rev's Ramblings, I spotted a moving reflection of light on my wall.

I could have watched that play of light, but I instinctively wondered where it was being shone from.

It was a coming from a bird feeder blowing in our garden... but actually that wasn't where the light was coming from.

It must have been coming through a gap in the clouds with the sun shining through (as unlikely as it sounds!)

My attention may have been grabbed by light on my wall, but the ultimate source, bent through the atmosphere and reflected and refracted from various surfaces, was from the sun.

Which part shall I give thanks for?

My wall? Our bird feeder?

The window through which it shone?

The gap in the clouds?

Yes to all of these things, but all of them led my mind to think about the sun.

You will probably guess that there is a deeper significance to this 'rambling'.

I'm truly thankful for all of you and all who have supported and guided me on my Christian journey, and all the authors of books I've been inspired by and all the worship writers and leaders who have brought me closer to God, but my focus should never stop at them, but be focussed on God.

John the Baptist made sure people's focus never ended in him. He always pointed to Jesus.

Let's be like John the Baptist!

Prayer focus this week

Pray for all those recovering from storms and peace and stability in the Middle East.

Pray for God's blessing on His world as we prepare for Christmas and New Year.

This week's other News

<u>Sunday 1st December</u> 6.30pm Advent Reflections	<u>Sunday 22nd December</u> 3pm Crib Service
<u>Sunday 8th December</u> 3.30pm Messy Christingle	<u>Christmas Eve</u> 11.30pm Midnight Mass
5pm Christmas Lights on in Henry Wells Square	<u>Christmas Day</u> 9.30am All Age Communion

For more info see www.grovehillchurch.co.uk or email revaustin@sky.com

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 31st December at 8pm to 12:30am
New Year's Eve Party in church hall.

Tickets only Food, music, raffle, tea & coffee. Bring your own drinks. **Cash only on the night.**

Tickets £10 - Card machines available now.

See John or 'phone him on 07709 701602

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 15th December – Third Sunday of Advent

10am SHARED REFRESHMENTS IN CHURCH HALL
 11am HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH
 and ON FACEBOOK

Readings this week Philippians 4.4-7 Gospel Reading: Luke 3.7-18
 12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE



MONDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9:00am - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*



MONDAY

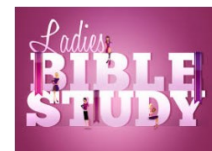
9:30am-10:30am MAPLE GROVE SCHOOL VISIT AT CHURCH
 2pm-5pm FCP MEETING – NEXUS HEALTH IN CHURCH

TUESDAY

9:15am-11:45am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH
 10am-12noon CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
 7:30pm-8:30pm PASTORAL SUPPORT GROUP MEETING IN CHURCH HALL

WEDNESDAY

10:30am-12:30pm HEADWAY HERTS GROUP (GNA) IN CHURCH HALL
 12:30pm-1:30pm LADIES BIBLE STUDY IN CHURCH HALL
 1pm-2:30pm BROCKSWOOD YEAR 5 SCHOOL VISIT IN CHURCH



THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

7:30pm-9pm ROMANIAN PRAYER GROUP IN CHURCH



SATURDAY

10:00am-12noon DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL

Next Sunday 22nd December – Fourth Sunday of Advent

11:00am FREE CHURCH SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK
 12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE
 3pm-4pm CRIB SERVICE IN CHURCH

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

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