SERMON NOTES

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PRAYER DIARY

Pray for our Mission Partner

Pray for Helen Sheridan from Crosslinks in Ireland. Pray for her as she steps back for six months. Pray for rest, refreshment and refuelling. Pray she knows the 'surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus.' Pray her heart is full of Jesus, that He is her treasure, inheritance, ruler, joy, vision and first in her heart.

Pray for our Parish

Pray there will be a spiritual hunger in our parish, that people will know the longing in their heart can only be satisfied by Jesus. Pray we get alongside people, making friends and meeting people where they are at. Pray they come and see what God has done, Christ born for us all.

Pray for our Church

Pray we 'shine like stars as we hold onto the words of life.' God has shown us great mercy, pray that we share the joy of salvation with all we meet. Pray our witness has everyone talking about Jesus, seeing the difference he has made to our lives. Pray we tell of Jesus who came to set the captives free, the morning star of joy and peace.

Pray for our School

Pray we continue to connect with our school: praying for them and supporting them as they teach the children what 'following Jesus' means.

Pray for Each Other

Pray that each member of our church family will be assured their salvation is secure and in Christ their value is priceless. God delights in them. Pray the joy of 'God with us – Immanuel' will give us all a deep contentment this Christmas and forever.

Pray for Ourselves

Pray we serve our Father God without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all our days. Pray our hearts are full of praise & worship of Jesus this Christmas and beyond. Luke 1:74-75



WELCOME

SUNDAY 21ST DECEMBER LUKE 1:57-80

Christmas Playlist - Zechariah's Sang 9.15am Service of the Word 11am Communion with creche & children's groups

SUNDAY 28TH DECEMBER LUKE 2:22-35

Christmas Playlist - Simean's Song
10.30am Morning Service with activities for children during the sermon

Thank you for coming - we're delighted to have you with us!

If you would like to be kept up to date with all our events and services please use this QR code to sign up for our weekly email.



Our 11am service is
livestreamed on
Youtube for those who
cannot make it inperson due to ill
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OUR VISION STATEMENT

GROW to know and love God so that we GO to live and speak for Jesus

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BIBLE READING NOTES

The start of the new year is a great time to make a new commitment to read Gods word daily. Using something like the 'Explore' daily bible reading notes is a great place to start.

If you would like to try using Explore, **copies are available** on the bookstall for £4.99. Or you can **download them** to read on your tablet or phone. Just download the app: '**Daily Bible Reading - Explore'**. This has exactly the same reading notes as the physical copy.

Want o be part of a **WhatsApp group** to share encouragement and challenges from the notes? Please let Laura Arch know on 07496420617.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

The Christingle Service (24th, 4pm) is a great opportunity to **invite families**, **neighbours and friends** to hear the good news of Jesus. It's a wonderful way to begin celebrating Jesus this Christmas

We are **making the Christingles on Monday 22nd December** in church at 6pm. If you are free please come along to help, the more the merrier.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

On **Sunday 25th January**, St Simon's is hosting a **Confirmation Service (10.30am)**, followed by a bring and share lunch. The Bishop of Ebbsfleet, Rob Munro, will be preaching and taking part in the service.

For any who were baptised as children, confirmation is a chance to publicly confirm they believe the promises which were said on their behalf.

Andy Liggins will be on annual leave 26th Dec-2nd Jan. Please contact Cuan Arch for anything urgent (07894 117727).

NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY 4TH JANNUARY LUKE 2:41-52

9.15am Communion Service

11am Morning Service with groups for 0-16s

7pm New Year Prayer Meeting

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| Wed 24 th Dec | Christingle Service |
| | 4pm |
| Thurs 25 th Dec | Christmas Day All Age Service |
| | 10.30am |
| Sunday 4 th Jan | New Year Prayer Meeting |
| | 7pm |
| Mon 12 th Jan | Happy Mondays Restart |
| | 10am – 11.30am |
| | Crossroads Kids & Youth Restart |
| | Kids 6pm Youth 6.45pm |
| Wed 14 th Jan | Coffee & Chat |
| | 10.30am - 11.45am |
| | Hope Explored |
| | 7.30pm - 9pm |
| Tues 20 th Jan | Girls' Brigade Restart |
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HOPE EXPLORED

We have a 3 week Hope Explored course starting on the 14th January. If you, or someone you know, are searching for a hope that doesn't disappoint and for peace in this anxiety laden world then come along and find out more. Ask Andy Liggins for more information.

Here for the first time?

Hello & welcome! Thank you so much for joining us.

Need anything?

Ask our welcome team who will be happy to help.

Children & Teens

Junior church groups for 3-5s, 5-7s, 8-10s & 10-16s run during the 11am service. The kids leave for their groups after about 15 minutes. We also have a supervised creche for our 0-3s.

Hearing difficulties?

A hearing loop is available on request.

Livestream

Please note that anyone appearing at the front of church will be seen on the livestream.