

WELCOME

Benefice of Sarratt and Chipperfield

Holy Cross Church, Sarratt, & St Paul's Church, Chipperfield

Everyone is welcome to attend any of the services in our churches

Holy Cross is open each day 9am - 4pm and St Paul's 10am - 4pm

Benefice Office: 01923 264377 Benefice website www.hcsp.net

Sunday 22 December – 4th Sunday of Advent

10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross
4pm	Christingle Service – St Paul's
6.30pm	Community Carols and Cake – Holy Cross

Tuesday 24 December – CHRISTMAS EVE

2pm	Crib Service – St Paul's
4pm	Crib Service – Holy Cross
11.30pm	Midnight Mass – Holy Cross

Wednesday 25 December – CHRISTMAS DAY

9.30am <i>Note: time</i>	Family Eucharist – St Paul's
10.45am	Family Eucharist – Holy Cross

Sunday 29 December – 1st Sunday of Christmas

8am <i>Note: time</i>	Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer) – Holy Cross
10.45am	5 th Sunday of Month Benefice Service – Holy Cross

**Our bible readings this weekend are
Micah chapter 5 verses 2 – 5a**

‘But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
though you are small among the clans of Judah,
out of you will come for me
one who will be ruler over Israel,
whose origins are from of old,
from ancient times.’

³ Therefore Israel will be abandoned
until the time when she who is in labour bears a son,
and the rest of his brothers return
to join the Israelites.

⁴ He will stand and shepherd his flock
in the strength of the Lord,
in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.
And they will live securely, for then his greatness
will reach to the ends of the earth.

^{5a} And he will be our peace

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

And

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
chapter 1 verses 39 - 45**

Glory to you, O Lord

³⁹ At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, ⁴⁰ where she entered Zechariah’s home and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. ⁴² In a loud voice she exclaimed: ‘Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! ⁴³ But why am I so favoured, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? ⁴⁴ As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵ Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfil his promises to her!’

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ

The Bereavement Journey Course

Are you grieving the death of a loved one or struggling with long term effects of loss?

A seven-session course will be running soon in your area.

Topics include:

Attachment, separation & Loss – The impact & pain of bereavement – Adjusting to change – Anger & guilt

The Bereavement
Journey
a place to talk

When: Starts 14th January 2025

Where: 7pm St Paul's

Church Parish Room

The Common, Chipperfield

Cost: Suggested donation £7

How to book: email Revd Sarah at

revdsarahcollins@outlook.com

St Paul's Church Shoebbox Nativity Competition



Come & see the exhibition of Nativity Boxes

Created by the children of our local school

Vote for your favourite

St Paul's Church 16th - 22nd Dec

Winners announced during the Christingle Service -

St Paul's Church Sunday 22nd Dec 4.00pm



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Holy Cross Church Sunday 22nd Dec 6.30pm*



HOLY CROSS CRIB SERVICE
4pm Christmas Eve Tuesday 24th December

**Calling all shepherds, angels, wise men (& women),
donkeys, sheep, etc, etc!!**

Holy Cross Church would like to invite you to our wonderful
Christmas Eve 'Crib Service'

Children, please come dressed up ready to join
in with our Nativity and bring along your
favourite adults with you...

No costume? No worries; we have a few at
church if you would like to join in the fun!

**If you feel now is the year to make your
stage debut as Mary, Joseph, Angel Gabriel,
or the wee donkey...please contact**

Linda on 01923 264884 or Revd Sarah on 07525491496



**CRIB SERVICE
CHRISTMAS EVE
2PM
ST PAULS CHURCH, CHIPPERFIELD**

*FOLLOWED BY HOT REFRESHMENTS AND
DELICIOUS TREATS*



All are welcome to join our
Crib Service
We look forward to seeing you

If you can, please come dressed as a crib story character.
Shepherds, angels, kings, even sheep and donkeys!

Please note we are unfortunately not providing the clothes or outfits for the children to wear, so do let the them come in items they have chosen to wear themselves.



Charis is a charity committed to supporting women in the sex industry in our local area. Over the past year they have seen an increasing amount of need and women referred to them by other professionals for support.

They count it a privilege to be part of the women's lives and to get to know them, showing God's love in a powerful way.

As a Benefice we can show our support holding them in our prayers:

Please pray for the Charis team

For the women they are supporting

That they have enough resources and financial support referred.

We can also show our support by giving from the list below:

Items that we need are:

- Warm socks
- Hats
- Gloves
- Snoods/balaclavas/ear muffs
- Disposable hand and & foot warmers
- Underwear- all sizes
- Pyjamas- all sizes
- Jumpers- all sizes
- Thermal layers leggings/tops- all sizes
- Slippers sizes womens 4-8
- Loungewear sets- all sizes
- Sweets- haribo, squashies etc (share size bags)
- Pot noodles

If you are able to help this charity, please either contact Elaine Dean on e-dean@hotmail.co.uk for further information or drop items off for her attention at the back of St Paul's Church. Elaine will then kindly ensure they reach the charity



SARRATT CARE

JANUARY UPDATE

‘SARRATT COMMUNITY LUNCH’

In the Village Hall on **Monday 20th January at 12.30**
For contact please ring Jacky Creed – details below

‘COFFEE CORNER’ and TREATMENTS

(treatments include hairdressing, massage and chiropody)

In the Village Hall **from 10.30 to 12 noon**
on **Wednesdays the 8th and 22nd January**

For details please ring Jennifer Haynes on 590542 or
07743 133736

TRANSPORT TO APPOINTMENTS

To arrange for a volunteer driver
please ring 07565 399349

ANY OTHER ENQUIRIES or PROBLEMS

Please ring Jacky Creed on 519975 or 07769 045270
If no reply please feel happy to leave a message

HIGH NEEDS LIST

We have a good supply of many food, hygiene and household items, however there are some specific items that we are in need of. Please see our High Needs List below.

FOOD:

- Tinned ham
- Tinned corned beef
- Sponge puddings
- Tinned rice pudding
- Tinned fruit
- Long life milk
- Long life juice/squash
- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned fish
- Biscuits
- Crackers
- Christmas selection packs
- Chocolate
- Custard
- Nuts

KITCHEN AND HYGIENE ITEMS:

- Roasting trays (large)
- Kitchen foil
- Deodorants
- Laundry liquid/tabs/powder (small)
- 2-in-1 shampoo

Click here for their latest events

<https://www.dens.org.uk/events/>

CHURCH CONTACTS

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St Paul's Director of Music:

Position vacant

Holy Cross Organist:

Position vacant

St Paul's Hall Bookings: 01923 263182