



# St John's with Holy Trinity, Ryde

Where *All* are Welcome

**2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020**

**Candlemas**

Please join us for tea /coffee in the hall after the 10am service



## **SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK**

### **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

8.30am Holy Communion

10am: Holy Communion

Hymns: 132, 479, 378, 558, 789

### **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

9am Cleaning and maintenance

### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am: Holy Communion

7pm Fundraising and Social events meeting.

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am Oakfield School Class led Worship

### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am: Holy Communion

10am: Together in Worship

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**Blow gently on the spark  
that lies within our hearts,  
that a flame might grow  
and shed its warmth and light  
upon our daily journeying  
with you beside, dear Lord.**

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**Candlemas remembers the revelation  
of Jesus as the Messiah by Simeon  
when the holy family visited the  
temple for the Jewish ritual of  
purification of the Virgin Mary 40  
days after Jesus' birth. The date marks  
half way between the winter solstice  
and the spring equinox. People  
believed that Candlemas predicted  
the weather for the rest of the winter.**

**If Candlemas Day  
be fair and bright  
Winter will have another fight.  
If Candlemas Day  
brings cloud and rain,  
Winter won't come again.**

Traditional

# St John's News

Everyone is welcome to our **Together in Worship** Service next week where we will explore the Bible Readings about salt and light using prayer, study and craft.

**Fundraising open Meeting:** If you would like to help with our fundraising and events over the next year please come along to the church hall on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7pm.

St Cecelia's Abbey send thanks for all the **Christmas cards** but are no longer collecting them after today.

**School assembly help:** could you help putting up and taking down tables for the refreshments after the school assembly at 10.30am on Friday's during term time? If so, please see Sue or sign up on the list in the South Transept.

Parish Lunch: Please sign up on the list if you would like to join us for lunch at Appley Manor on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February, 12.30for 1pm. Choose and pay for your lunch on the day.

The other lectionary readings for today are: **Malachi 3.1–5 & Psalm 24. 1 - 10**

**Prayer Lists:** Please add the names of those you would like us to pray for to the list in the South Transept.

**RIP:** Jeanne Jenvey, Hazel Finch and Heather

**RIP Anniversaries:** Mary King (Sun), Alec Alexander (Mon), Denis Young, Baden Windeler (Wed), Elaine Henderson, Daphne Young, Raymond Saunders, Beryl Faithful (Thu).

**Please pray for:** Our fundraising and social meeting as they meet to plan events for the coming year. All at Oakfield School after their recent OFSTED inspection. The people of China and all those dealing with the corona virus.

**Collect:** Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## Hebrews 2.14–18

<sup>14</sup> Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup> and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. <sup>16</sup> For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. <sup>17</sup> Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup> Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

## Luke 2.22–40

<sup>22</sup> When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the law of the Lord, ‘Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord’), <sup>24</sup> and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, ‘a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.’ <sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see

death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, <sup>29</sup> ‘Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.’ <sup>33</sup> And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup> Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, ‘This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed <sup>35</sup> so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.’ <sup>36</sup> There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup> At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. <sup>39</sup> When they had finished everything required

by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup> The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

**Post Communion:** Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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Please feel free to use the play area at the back of the church with your children or bring the toys & books into the pews.



Toilets and baby changing facilities are in the church hall (through the panel door in the wooden war memorial)



If you require gluten free wafers or non- alcoholic wine please ask the people who greeted you at the door.



The hearing loop system is situated in the front section of pews, to the left of the central aisle facing the Altar.



If the fire alarm sounds please leave the church through both doors and gather in the driveway in front of the care home behind the church, leaving access for emergency vehicles.



If you need to talk with someone about safe-guarding please contact our Safeguarding officers Bevaly Rackett and Linda Brooke or Rev Sue.

**Weekly News Sheet:** Please send any items for the news sheet to Bevaly Rackett by **Wed 6pm.**

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