**PRAYER DIARY**

**We remember with thanksgiving the anniversaries of:** Ann – Marie Cannadine; Gertrude Ayres (28th); Jean Chalk (30th); Alice. S. E. Wood; Lileath J Greyson (02).

**Prayer requested for healing and other needs:** Joan Baker;Aref Diab; Jean Murch; Nicola McKinnon; Esme Williams.

**Long term sick:** Michelle Macmillan - Harvey; Bobby Pretty John; Joyce Lemar; Joan Oxenham; Peter Sage.

**Church Families:** Richard, Candice, Cleo and Deidre Falconer; Malcolm George; Sheelagh Gillard; Wendy Godwin; Colin and Andrea Grant; Len Gray; Marva and Dominique Greyson; Judith, Keira and Geoffrey Grice; Derrick, Justina and Anjelika Gunawardena; Ashish, Ariham, Audvik and Nidhi Guptya.

**Happy Birthday to:** Nidhi Gupta (28th); Patrick Jull, Andrew Biddiscombe, Bummi Kuti, Kevin and Michael Undugoda (29th); Ray Stockwell (31st); John Murch (01st).

**The Parish:** Carlisle Close; Drake Court; Drake Road;Dunster Way; Eastcote Lane; Edinburgh Close.

**The Church, Ourselves and the Nation:** Father we offer to you ourselves and our nation. We ask your guidance upon all that we do and say may it be in Your name only.

# The Persecuted Church: VIETNAM: CSW has called on the European Union and United Kingdom to seize every opportunity to raise ongoing and grave human rights abuses, including violations of the right to freedom of religion or belief, with Vietnam in upcoming bilateral engagements with the country.

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**Prayer for the Week**

God our Father, you taught the Gospel to all the world through the **preaching of Paul** your apostle. May we who celebrate his conversion to the faith follow him in bearing witness to the truth. Amen

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| **SUNDAY, 26th January 2020 EPIPHANY 3** |
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| **8.00 am: Holy Communion** **9.45 am: Parish Communion** **with Prayers for Healing***and* **Go Mad on Sunday***Please come to the Hall after the Service for Coffee, Tea & Fellowship* |
| **This Week’s Services** |  | **Next Sunday 2nd** February |
| **Monday – Friday**9.00 am Morning Prayer [cw]**Wednesday**: 9.30am Holy Communion**Saturday:**  8.30 am Barnabas Fellowship |  | **8.00 am: Holy Communion****9.45 am: Parish Communion***Malachi 3:1-5; Hebrews 2:14-18;**Luke 2: 22-40***6.30 pm**: Evensong |
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### Today's Collect

 **od of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen**

***Readings: Isaiah 9: 1-4 page 693***

 ***1 Cor 1: 10-18 page 1144***

***Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23 page 968***

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**Post-Communion** Prayer

 **lmighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen**

**NOTICES**

**FAMILY FLOWER** The Family Flower for January has been donated by Gill and Roger Moore, in memory of family members who have died.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP** we need a treasurer from February 1st and a hall letting administrator from the 2020 APCM. Can you take on one of these tasks?             *PCC*

**PUZZLE** Two payments have been made into the church account over the last four months by Adebisi Rilwan and we have no idea what the money is for. If anyone knows this person, please can they let me know. Many thanks. *Wendy*

**CHRISTMAS COMPETITION** Congratulations to Aaryan Raithatha for winning the Christmas Art Competition with his picture of a snowflake.

**LENT APPEAL** Lent is a time for reflection and also a time for denying ourselves and giving to others. We would like to choose a new charity for this year’s appeal so please let Lyndon, Kemi or Paul know if you have a charity to nominate. Tell us about its work and please be prepared to help with the organisation and counting if your charity is chosen.

**SPOT THE DIFFERENCE** is the title of our Lent Study course for this year. During this course we will explore together various ways in which our Christian commitment should make a difference to:

our love and care for others

our willingness to tell others about our faith

the joy of being a Christian

our generosity of spirit

our inner faith

Weekly meetings (five in all) will start in the first week of March. Make a note in your diary! More details, dates, times etc will follow soon. *Keith Nicholls*

**THE NOT THE EVENSONG EVENSONG**    Do try something different - the choir is!  On February 2nd - the Feast of Candlemas - the 6.30pm evening service will not be the usual monthly Evensong.  Instead, we shall be having a rather less formal service to celebrate this holy end to the Greater Christmas.  Centered on hymns, readings and prayers - and focusing on the Light of Christ - we are hoping for a big congregation to look at the deeper spiritual meaning of this important Festival.

    So we look forward to seeing you there - make the date in your diary NOW - a*nd if anyone is able to augment the choir for this special occasion, please let Robert know as soon as possible - we welcome you with open arms (and open throats!)  It'll all be quite straightforward, and there's just the one rehearsal at 5.30pm beforehand. Robert Crowhurst*

**VALENTINE’S QUIZ** Our next social event is a Quiz on Saturday 15th February. As usual it will begin at 7.00 for a 7.30 start. Tickets are £8 and will be on sale from today onwards. *Social Committee*

![j0336203[1]]()**Diary dates**

*FEBRUARY*

**Sunday** 2nd Candlemas

**Saturday 8th** Messy Church

**Saturday 15th** Valentine’s Quiz

**Tuesday 25th** Shrove Tuesday

**Wednesday 26th** Ash Wednesday

*MARCH*

**Saturday 7th** Messy Church

**Sunday** 29**th** Lent Lunch

*APRIL*

**Saturday 4th** Messy Church

**Sunday 12th** Easter

**Sunday 26th APCM**

*MAY*

**Saturday 9th** Messy Church

**Sunday 10th** Christian Aid Big Breakfast

*JUNE*

**Saturday 13th** Messy Church

Put these dates in your diary now. More details will follow nearer the time.

1. St Andrew's Church bank details for one-off payments and gifts -
2. **PCC of St Andrew's Roxbourne Parish**
3. **Sort code: 40-11-58  Acc No: 20404810**
4. *Please note this is not the account for regular Stewardship Giving - please see Wendy Godwin or Peter Sage for those details (Tel: 07889 249500)*

***Please send any items for next week’s STARLINK to Susan McLeod by midday this Friday, preferably by email (mcleod383@btinternet.com), or otherwise by hard copy to 8, Drake Road***