



## The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe

*In line with Church of England's revised guidance face coverings are mandatory for all adults and children aged 11+ (unless exempt) when in church. If you haven't brought a mask with you, please help yourself to one available from the back of Church. In line with Govt guidelines we also recommend you take a lateral flow test before you come to church. Please do not attend if you have any symptoms of Covid19, which for Omicron includes those for a common cold*

*Welcome*

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**  
**Third Sunday of Epiphany**  
*Week of prayer for Christian Unity*

9.30am Downe      All Age Worship  
                            Luke 4: 14-21  
                            Rach to lead and preach

11.00am Cudham    Holy Communion with Sunday Club & SC+  
                            1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a, Luke 4: 14-21  
                            John to lead and preach

We are livestreaming Cudham's service on our Facebook page  
<https://www.facebook.com/PCDChurches>

### **Third Sunday of Epiphany**

God 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.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January** - 10.00 am Downe Holy Communion  
Service at St Mary's. *A quiet and reflective service*

**Living in Love and Faith – is being held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 at 8.00pm** – it's not too late to register your intention to attend this course which due to the rising cases of Covid will be by Zoom. It is to be hoped that if the Covid situation changes then there may be the possibility of welcoming people to All Saints' Orpington, at Bark Hart Rd, BR6 0QD personally. Orpington Deanery are the hosts of this free weekly course for five weeks on Living in Love & Faith. The course facilitator is Rev'd Jane Winter, Diocesan Advocate for Living in Love and Faith. Christian Teaching and Learning about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. Each session includes an introduction to the topic, real life stories, bible study, time for questions and conversation, prayer. The course is open to everyone. Please email [orpdeanerysynod@gmail.com](mailto:orpdeanerysynod@gmail.com) to register your place and for the zoom link details. For a YouTube video with Jane Winter explaining why the course is important, please use the link - [https://youtu.be/d\\_EzAVfpHMA](https://youtu.be/d_EzAVfpHMA)



### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> January Candlemas**

10.30am Downe United Christingle Service including Holy Communion

Luke 2: 22-40          John and Kim to lead

*If you're planning to come, please could you let Barbara know at [admin@pcd.org.uk](mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk), so we can order the right number of oranges!*



– a huge thank you to all those who help make our services possible by reading God's word, leading intercessions, stewarding, playing music, helping with administering communion or helping with the children's groups in Cudham and Downe. We could do with more on the

rotas, though. Please pray to see if God is calling you to assist in any of these ways and if so please let Vicar John, Churchwardens Chris (at Downe), Diane or Mike (at Cudham) know. Full training and support will be given!

There will be a Retirement Farewell Service at Rochester Cathedral on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 3.15pm** for Paul Wright, Archdeacon of Bromley and Bexley. If you would like to attend the service please let John know as soon as possible.

The next **Messy Church** will be Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February, 10.30am to 12 noon at Downe Village Hall, with Kim leading the worship. More details to follow.

Please pray for Christopher Robbie and family following the death of Bridget who died recently. Funeral details will be announced soon.

**Nsumbi Trust** have sent us New Year greetings in the past week, thanking everyone for their support and generosity. Their December fundraising campaign provided over 150 Christmas Food Boxes to needy families and they were also pleased to report that donations received in memory of Jill Adkin raised over £4,000.00. The Jill Adkin Scholarship Fund will help students extend their education and attend University. As schools can reopen some of the children are returning to continue their education from 10<sup>th</sup> January. Please pray for the staff, students and families as there are considerable challenges, anxiety and problems for many children and their families.

**Ladies Fellowship** at Elizabeth's house in Cudham Lane North on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February from 10.30am for 2 hours. Please contact Barbara [barbiesherb@aol.com](mailto:barbiesherb@aol.com) for more details.

**Meditation Group** – Christian Meditation is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at St Mary's, beginning at 10am. *NB: wearing a mask is mandatory and covid measures are in place.* The group follow the method taught by John Main, an English Benedictine monk <https://www.christianmeditation.org.uk/>

**Wednesday Evening Homegroup** – group members are encouraged to attend the Living in love and faith course this side of February.

**Prayer chain** – please contact Pat Morbin if you have any prayer needs or requests and if you would like to be part of the prayer chain. Email

[office@pcd.org.uk](mailto:office@pcd.org.uk) or tel 07504827929 or 01959540012 and these will be passed on to Pat in confidence.



**You are welcome to join us for Morning and Evening Prayer this week: On Wednesdays we will be meeting in person at Cudham Church office for 30 minutes of prayer at 9.30am.**

**On other days, details and zoom links are as follows –**

**Morning Prayer** 9.15am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87228965797?pwd=M1c1OTUzTFNsY3IxeW94Q25MV2xRdz09> Meeting ID: 872 2896 5797 Passcode: 644632

**Evening Prayer** 5.00pm Monday-Friday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89851482423?pwd=Y3c5ZmJyUVpEQzN5bDUvV2FGRU53Zz09> Meeting ID: 898 5148 2423 Passcode: 458828

Let us continue to pray for one another and our families in our congregations, as well as our parishioners in both parishes. This week can we pray for Norman Dale (Cudham) and Jane Shaw (Downe). John and Rach are contacting those we are specially praying for each week and any prayer requests will be prayed for with permission at Morning and Evening prayer. Please also pray for our residents in the following streets – Orange Court Lane (Downe) and Viewlands Avenue (Cudham).

**Vicar: Rev John Musson, tel 01959 540012, mobile 07504827929 email [vicar@pcd.org.uk](mailto:vicar@pcd.org.uk) Normal Day off Saturday**

**Curate: Rev Rachel Archer, tel 01959 700097 or 07305724870 Email [Rachel.vicarintraining@yahoo.com](mailto:Rachel.vicarintraining@yahoo.com) Day off Monday**



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