### THE PARISH OF FAWLEY

30th December - The First Sunday of Christmas

### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

We are here to exercise the ministry of Jesus Christ in our neighbourhood, and to share in the wider ministry of the Church in the world. This ministry includes worship, prayer, fellowship, pastoral care, mission and service.

## 9.30am Sung Eucharist at All Saints' Service led by Rev'd Roger Edwards

Server: Alaine Willis
Chalice: David Chappell
Prayers: Phyllis Delves
Reader: Pat Peckham
Tea Rota: Jill Hughes

All Saints' is open every day from 9am-5pm or dusk.

### **Diary for This Week**

Wed 9.30am Communion at All Saints'

2<sup>nd</sup> Jan

Thurs 7.30pm Meeting of Parishioners at

3rd

All Saints' to elect Churchwardens (refreshments available at 7.00pm)

# <u>Today's Mission Sunday Collection</u> will be for Waterside Cancer Support Centre

Today, Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> December is our Mission Sunday, for the Waterside Cancer Support Centre, which is always a very worthy cause. A collection will be made after the Service and will continue for the first three Sundays of January.

Collection of Used Stamps for Parkinsons UK
Eileen Hayward is happy to collect all your used
stamps and send them off to Parkinsons UK who
collect for their valued charitable work. Either
pop through my door (63 Renda Road, Holbury)
or leave in the green collection box at the back
of All Saints' Church. Thank you.

### **Election of Churchwardens**

A Meeting of Parishioners to elect two new Churchwardens is to be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 3rd January at All Saints' (Refreshments will be available at 7.00pm). Nomination forms are available at each of the Churches and should be returned to Tracy Rideal, PCC Secretary.

## An outline of the role of Churchwarden

- When the archdeacon admits you as a churchwarden, he is formally appointing you to this office on behalf of the Bishop. The Bishop may want to consult with you about the parish during the year.
- The office of churchwarden holds ownership on trust of all the movable assets of the church, and they are to be held and used to pursue the mission of the Church. A record of such items is to be kept i.e., the inventory.
- A support for the priest-in charge. Clergy look to their churchwardens to be dependable colleagues and supportive in their shared responsibility for the life of the parish.
- They are to ensure that an inspection is made of the church each year and to make a report on the fabric and contents to the PCC once each year i.e., presenting the terrier and inventory with a report.
- They are to maintain order in the church and churchyard, most especially during times of services, and to ensure that the church is ready for worship.
- They have the duty of providing seats for parishioners.
   They are to collaborate with the bishop in the running of a parish during vacancy.
- They are the principle representatives of the laity of the parish and should be foremost in furthering its mission of the church and collaborating to that end with clergy and laity.
- Lay people will often follow the example and lead of their churchwardens both in the PCC and more generally in the parish. They will sometimes come to a churchwarden with their concerns about the church. A churchwarden's wisdom and common sense are great assets for a church.

<u>Baptism Anniversary</u>: Congratulations to Joy Wakeford who celebrates her baptism anniversary today, Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December.

## **Diary Dates for January**

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Standing Committee Meeting at 52 Saxon Road, Blackfield.

Thurs 10th 4.00pm Messy Church at St. Francis' Mon 14<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm PCC Meeting at All Saints'

6<sup>th</sup> January 2019 - Epiphany

10.00am Café Lite at The Good Shepherd
6.30pm Epiphany Service with Eucharist and
Taize at All Saints'

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

### **The Mission Prayer**

Lord pour out upon us the gifts of your Holy Spirit, that we may live in love and joy and peace, sharing these blessings with those around us as we journey 'Along the Way' to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

For items to be included in the pew leaflet please contact

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