

# The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe



Welcome to our Church

## Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January

9.30am Downe Holy Communion

11.00am Cudham Morning Worship and **Sunday Club**

*Both services led by Ven Dr Paul Wright*

*Isaiah 62:1-5, John 2: 1-11*

## The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty God,

in Christ you make all things new:

transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,

and in the renewal of our lives

make known your heavenly glory;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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*Refreshments are available and we invite you to stay and meeting others before you go home.*

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## Upcoming services

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January

9.30am Downe Morning Worship *led by Mark Newman*  
11.00am Cudham Holy Communion **and Sunday Club**  
*Both services led by Rev Vince Short*

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


10.30am Downe Worship Together at Cudham Church  
*led by Kim Curle*

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

9.30am Downe Morning Worship  
11.00am Cudham Holy Communion **and Sunday Club**  
*Both services led by Rev Canon Katrina Barnes*

### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February

10.00am Downe Holy Communion *led by Canon Jane Winter*

	<p>Thank you for your generous support of the <b>Nsumbi Trust Christmas Food Basket Appeal</b>. 290 baskets of food were distributed to families and elderly people in Uganda in the two days before Christmas Day. They were received with much joy and appreciation. <a href="http://www.nsumbi.org/">http://www.nsumbi.org/</a></p>
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Please pray for –

- The children's health and safety with their families while away from school (*new school year starts at beginning of February*)
- Those waiting for exam results which will determine their next school places.
- Pastor Stephen and the staff at the Centre and schools to who teach, lead and manage the Centre caring for so many vulnerable children.

*You are very welcome to come along to the following:*

***Christian Meditation*** - Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> February, 10am at St Mary's

***Ladies Fellowship*** – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January, 10am at Thelma's

Please email [admin@pcd.org.uk](mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk) or call 01959 571515  
for more details.

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## **Celtic Spirituality - Relevant for today?**

**Sat 25 Jan, St Benedict's Centre**

A chance to reflect on the Golden Age of the Celtic Saints, to explore and experience their original spirituality.

Led by Peter Ruxton, who first discovered and started studying the spirituality of the Celtic Christians and the Desert Fathers and Mothers in the deserts of Africa.

Organised in association with Rochester Diocese Spirituality Network.

Time: 10am to 3pm. Hot drinks and biscuits are provided; please bring your own lunch. There is no fixed charge for the day but a suggested donation of £15-£25.

To book email: [bookings@stbenedictscentre.org](mailto:bookings@stbenedictscentre.org)

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Bridget Law will be running the Winter Challenge on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February and raising money for Cancer Research. This will be Bridget's 4<sup>th</sup> year raising vital funds for Cancer Research UK. If you would like to sponsor her please donate using the following link. Thank you so much for your support.

<https://www.winterrun.co.uk/fundraiser/bridgetlaw/winter-run-2025>



Our pastoral care team is available should you feel the need to speak to someone about anything, whether it's just for a chat or if something is troubling you. You can contact them on 07942 354533 or email [pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk](mailto:pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk)

*Prayer points for this week:*

 For the family of Audrey Sharpington who died recently

- and let us continue to pray for one another, our families, and our parishioners. This week we pray for -

- Brian Mackay and Marita Gibbs (Cudham)
- John Bowers (Downe)
- residents in Restavon Park (Cudham)
- residents in Orange Court Lane (Downe)

*While our churches have a vacancy for a Vicar, please email [admin@pcd.org.uk](mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk) or call the parish office on 01959 571515 to leave a message. Alternatively, contact one of the churchwardens below:*

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*Please email any contributions to be included in our weekly notice sheet by Wednesday evening to [admin@pcd.org.uk](mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk)*