



The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe

For the sake of others please do not attend if you have any symptoms of Covid19, and we encourage you also to wear a face covering if you feel it necessary to do so.

Welcome to our services

Saturday 24th December – Christmas Eve

4.00pm Cudham

Nativity Service

6.30pm Cudham

Carols by Candlelight

John to lead and Rach to

preach. You are welcome to stay after the carol service when sherry/soft drinks and mince pies will be served.



Sunday 25th December – Christmas Day

9.30am Downe All Age Communion John to lead and preach

11.00am Cudham All Age Communion Rach to lead and preach

Reading: John 1: 1-14. Downe's service is being livestreamed on www.facebook.com/PCDChurches

Collect for Christmas Day

Lord Jesus Christ,
your birth at Bethlehem
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:
accept our heartfelt praise
as we worship you,
our Saviour and our eternal God.

Downe's Advent Calendar is taking place right up to Christmas Day. *For a live daily update go to -* www.facebook.com/PCDChurches *and for a downloadable trail map visit* www.pcd.org.uk

Christmas 'Follow the Star Trail' in Cudham Churchyard - *visit the Adventure Trail from the rear door of Cudham Church where you can follow the 9 white posts down the path.*

Memory Trees – *there will be a Christmas Tree outside both churches for you to tie a ribbon or decoration in memory of a loved one.*



Thursday 29th December Messy

Church – 10.30am – 12 noon followed by a light buffet lunch at Cudham Church, Church Approach, Cudham, TN14 7QF. Children, come along and have great fun getting messy! Enjoy free art and craft

activities on the theme of Christmas and Epiphany: the visit of the three kings. Don't forget to bring an adult or carer to supervise and to have fun too! Contact Denise Angell on 07957 206901 or denise.angell@virginmedia.com for more details or to book.

Sunday 1st January 2023 –

Welcome the New Year.

10.30am Downe Communion Service

11.00am Cudham After a short service, Cudham Village Club invite you to welcome

in the New Year in Cudham Church. The bells will be rung at 11.30am with cheese and wine to follow.



Meditation Group, **Wednesday Evening Homegroup** and **Wednesday Ladies Fellowship** will take a break over the Christmas period and resume in the New Year.

Morning and Evening Prayer resume Monday to Friday in the New Year too.

Rach to be Rector! - Please pray for Rach and family as they prepare to move and as Rach begins this new and exciting step in her ordained ministry journey. If you wish to donate to a leaving gift to Rach and family, please make a bank transfer to Nat West Bank A/c name: PCC Cudham A/c No 14123940 Sort Code 60-16-03 using the reference 'Rach gift'.

For your Prayers

- For children and young people on their school holidays; for quality time with their families over Christmas.
- For rest and refreshment for school staff, especially Dan Finch, until now head teacher at Cudham Primary School, as he moves on to a new position.
- For the lonely and housebound in our parishes, that the Christmas Gift bags delivered by our pastoral visitors will be a source of blessing and hope.



Please remember Dame Marion and family following the recent death of her daughter Philippa.

Please pray for the family of Pamela Townsend who has recently died.

Let us keep continuing 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 Gillian Graves (Cudham) and Hilary Knight (Downe). Please also pray for our residents in the following streets High Elms Road Road (Downe) and Silverstead Lane (Cudham).

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 or tel 07504 827929 or 01959 540012 and these will be passed on to Pat in confidence.

Pastoral Needs – our pastoral team is here to help, whether it's just for a chat or something that is troubling you. Why not give them a call on 07942 354533 or email pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk to arrange a visit or chat over the phone. We are here for you.



Vicar: Rev John Musson, tel 01959 540012, mobile 07504827929
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Curate: Rev Rachel Archer, tel 01959 700097 or 07305724870
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