

# The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe



In view of rising Covid cases we strongly encourage you to wear a face covering when in church, unless exempt. If you haven't brought a mask with you, spares are available from the back of Church

### Sunday 28th November Advent Sunday

09.30am All age Holy Communion at Downe

11.00am All age Holy Communion at Cudham and Holy

Baptism of Joseph Webb.

Reading: Luke 21: 25–36 (pg 1057)

Rach to lead and preach at both services

Please pray for Joseph and his family as we bring him to baptism. Cudham's service will be livestreamed on facebook and you can also watch it later <a href="https://www.facebook.com/PCDChurches">www.facebook.com/PCDChurches</a>

#### **Collect for Advent Sunday**

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen** 

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November** 10am Holy Communion Service at St Mary's. *A quiet and reflective service* 



**Choirs for Christmas** – choir practice for the carol services will take place Monday evenings 7.30pm on 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> December in Cudham Church then in the relevant church at

5.30pm on the evening of the services themselves. Please contact John on <a href="mailto:vicar@pcd.org.uk">vicar@pcd.org.uk</a> or tel 01959 540012 for more details.

Advent and Christmas in Cudham and Downe full details of services and events, including carol
services, nativity play and messy church are printed in
our Christmas leaflet, available from the tables at the
back of our churches.

Please take a leaflet for yourself and others.

# Wednesday 1st December

Downe Advent Windows Launch – a real advent calendar with different properties hosting an advent window every day during December, telling the story of Christmas. For a live update each day visit our Facebook page - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/PCDChurches">www.facebook.com/PCDChurches</a> (1st -24th December). A downloadable trail map is available from our website <a href="https://www.pcd.org.uk">www.pcd.org.uk</a>

Chocolate Advent Calendars count down the days to Christmas with Rach and John as they open their advent calendars. Also live at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/PCDChurches">www.facebook.com/PCDChurches</a> each day at 4.45pm.

Advent Compline from 1<sup>st</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> December
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> also sees the first of our 9pm for 9 minutes
Short Reflections and Compline on facebook
with advent themed readings, available on our
church facebook page -

www.facebook.com/PCDChurches led by church members. There is a simple order of service available on the church website-www.pcd.org.uk/services/advent-and-christmas-services



Knitted Angels - as you walk around the villages of Cudham and Downe we invite you to find a knitted angel, a symbol of love and joy kindly knitted by local people. Please take one home with you.

**Memory Trees** - you can tie a ribbon onto the Christmas Trees outside our churches in memory of a loved one.

## Sunday 5th December Second Sunday in Advent

09.30am Holy Communion at Downe

Readings: Malachi 3: 1-4; Luke 3: 1-16

John to lead and preach

11.00am All Age Service at Cudham

Reading: Luke 3: 1-6 Rach to lead and preach

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December - 'Space to Breathe' Looking for time to reflect and get creative in the lead up to Christmas? Then why not join us for quality adult crafts, fellowship, and fun at *Space to Breathe* from 10.30am – 1pm at Cudham Church on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December. All materials provided, including coffee and a mince pie on arrival, and packed lunch, all in the suggested £5 charge. To reserve a place, contact the church office on 01959 571515 or email: admin@pcd.org.uk

**Christian Meditation Group** – is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at St Mary's, beginning at 10am. Covid measures such as wearing a mask and social distancing are being maintained. The group follow the method taught by John Main, an English Benedictine monk https://www.christianmeditation.org.uk/

**Wednesday Evening Homegroup** – Join us on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 8pm via zoom when we start a short series focusing on Advent readings.

Ladies Fellowship at Elizabeth's house in Cudham Lane North on Wednesday 1st December at 10.30am. Please contact Barbara barbiesherb@aol.com for more details.

You are welcome to join us for Morning and Evening Prayer by Zoom this week: details and zoom links are as follows -

Prayer in Cudham Church 9.30am Wednesday

Morning Prayer 9.15am Monday, Thursday & Friday

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

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**Evening Prayer** 5.00pm Monday-Friday

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89851482423?pwd=Y3c5ZmJyUVpEQzN 5bDUvV2FGRU53Zz09 Please pray for Sue King and family following the death of Donald - you are invited to come along to the funeral service on Monday 6th December at 10.30am in St Mary's, Downe, followed by burial in the churchyard.

The interment of ashes of William (Bill) Peter Cooper on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 10.45am.

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 07504827929 or 01959 540012 and these will be passed on to Pat in confidence.



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 Stella Chapman (Cudham) and Caryn Newell (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 – Standard Road (Downe) and Luxted Road (Cudham).

Vicar: Rev John Musson, tel 01959 540012, mobile 07504827929 email vicar@pcd.org.uk Normal Day off Saturday

Curate: Rev Rachel Archer, tel 01959 700097 or 07305724870 Email <u>Rachel.vicarintraining@yahoo.com</u> Day off Monday

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