

Readings & Prayers Worplesdon Parish **Presentation of Christ**

Requests for Prayer

The Church in the World: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai. **Our Parish:** All who live, work or study at Merrist Wood College. *All who worship with us but live outside the parish.*

First Reading: Hebrews 2. 14-end

The Gospel: Luke 2. 22-40

Vacancy Prayer

God our Father, you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His body in this place. Send your Holy Spirit at this time of uncertainty and change, To fill us with vision, energy and faithfulness in prayer, That we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community. Give your heavenly wisdom to those who are to choose a new rector for this parish, that she or he may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people, ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Parish News

Please Note: Next Sunday 9th February at 10.30am is a United Parish Service at St Mary's with Archdeacon Catherine Mabuza, no service at St Alban's on this day.

Parish Lunches/Village Lunches – Next lunch is on Tuesday 18th February. To book please phone the church office by noon on the Friday before.

<u>Wood Street Youth Club</u> – next meet on Friday 7th February at 6.30pm, £1 entry and lots of activities planned for 2025.

Monthly Coffee Morning – we next meet on Saturday 1st March at The Worplesdon Place at 10.30am – everyone welcome to come for a catch-up.

<u>Tickets for the Worplesdon Young Musician of the Year Final</u> on Saturday 15th March will go on Sale on Monday 17th February, more details to follow.

Bogey Beasts Workshop - Sime Gallery Worplesdon are holding their annual February half term children's art activity afternoon on Thursday 20th February 2-4pm in Worplesdon Memorial Hall GU3 3RF. Children up to the age of 11years, children must be accompanied by an adult, it's always great fun. Email: enquiries@sidneysimegallery.org.uk Tel:07951 024220

North Guildford Food Bank would like to ask that we please do continue to donate – every item is appreciated.

Are you, or is someone you know passionate about Church school education and

making a difference to the lives of children and young people across our Diocese? The Diocese is starting the process to appoint new members of the Diocesan Board of Education (DBE) to serve a term from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2028. The DBE is responsible for the oversight of Church of England schools and academies in every diocese in England, including setting the education strategy for the diocese and providing support for Religious Education, Collective Worship and School Buildings for Voluntary Aided (VA) schools. Interested? ,please contact our Deanery Synod reps (Robert Lynch, Clive Watson or Rob Pocock). Contact us: Church Office 01483 233091 Wardens: 07821 255655 Office: churchoffice@worplesdonparish.com Wardens wardens@worplesdonparish.com

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