

Welcome to St Stephen's



We are delighted that you are joining with us.

Enjoy sharing time with us today and we hope that you are able to meet with God through one of our services. Please do get in touch if you would like any further information at

office@shottermillparish.org.uk

Sunday 28 February

Lent 2

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| 9am | Morning Prayer with short reflection via Facebook Live (You don't need a Facebook account to view)

Readings Psalm 22:23-end
Mark 8:31-end |
| 10.45am | Online Morning Worship Service via Facebook Live with music, readings, sermon and prayers in an all in one live stream. |
| 12.30pm | Storytime suitable for the young and young at heart. |

Prayer Points for this week

Mission Partners. This Sunday we join in praying for the **Crossways Counselling**. Please pray for Crossways as they look for new premises and the increased funding that they will need to find for that. Prayers for their service as they consider what working post COVID-1 will look like. Pray for discernment for the Trustees. Please pray for their voluntary workers, that God will bless their generosity and that more will come forward – They need more stewards and people to serve on their fundraising committee. Continued prayers for their clients and counsellors at this difficult time.

Parish Roads Deepdene

General We pray for those who are ill or in pain, knowing that whenever danger threatens your everlasting arms are there to hold them safe. Comfort and heal them, and restore them to health and strength.

Coming up

[Facebook Live](#) Broadcasts Monday to Friday and 9am on Sunday

7.30am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Night Prayer

11am (ish) Children's Story

9am Communion Services in church are suspended until further notice.

St Stephen's is CLOSED for Private Prayer

The PCC has made the decision to keep the church closed until further notice.

Zoom Chat after the 10.45am Sunday Services

You can join us for video fellowship via Zoom around 11.30am. Grab a coffee, pull up a chair and enjoy seeing some of those familiar faces and some new ones with a chat via the Zoom link here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87631015636>

Lent Course on Tuesday 23 February at 7.45pm via Zoom

Meeting on Zoom from 7:45pm-9:00pm (right after Evening Prayer) for study, video, discussion, sharing and prayer, as we journey through Lent together, learning more about his story - the greatest story of all time. You can sign up for the course via ChurchSuite [HERE](#), or email the office. The Zoom link for the course will be sent in your email confirmation when you sign up.

Quiz Night with Simon

Quiz night is happening this Saturday 27 February at 8pm via Zoom here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89454328355?pwd=ZEM3R1FHh3prRngyUjZBN2tXTmNTdz09>

World Day of Prayer – Friday 5 March - Praying with Vanuatu

The service will be live streamed from St Peter's church in Wrecclesham at 10.30am. You can watch the live service, along with the recording via this link

<https://cofewrecclesham.org.uk/world-day-of-prayer/>

Guildford Diocese 'Introducing Lent 2021'

Bishop Jo introduces this year's Lent theme based on Isaiah 43:19: "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." Find out more [HERE](#) and sign up to receive the weekly Lent email at <http://ow.ly/92sY50DAmdA>

Guildford Diocese Sunday Sermon

Bishop Jo preaches on 'Deny yourself and take up your cross' (Mark 8: 34), exploring levels of self-denial and their purpose. [HERE](#)

Radio 4 Sunday Worship -you can listen on Sunday at 8.10am. (or catch up later) The Archbishop of Wales, the Most Reverend John Davies, marks St David's Day in a service for the second Sunday of Lent, recorded under lockdown conditions at Brecon Cathedral. You can listen [HERE](#)

Notices

How to book a coronavirus vaccination for the 60+ age group

We have been reliably informed that if you are 60+ years and have received a letter inviting you for a coronavirus vaccination, you can now book an appointment online. You will only need your 10 digit NHS number and date of birth. This is a legitimate NHS web page. Find out more info [HERE](#)

Financial Giving to St Stephens

The vicar and churchwardens have done all they can to reduce expenses whilst the church has been closed. We do still need a regular income to maintain our premises and staff and are very grateful to those who can maintain their monthly standing order. If you would like to set up a new standing order please contact our treasurer at (noelfairbairn@hotmail.co.uk). Equally, if you find that you need to temporarily suspend or reduce your regular giving; this is ok, please don't be embarrassed – but a short email to Noel would help him budget. With restrictions on how we spend our money at this time you may well find your outgoings have gone down; if this is so, please consider helping us cover our deficit by making extra gifts. This will help St Stephen's get through this situation and would be most helpful and welcome. Thank you, we look forward to meeting together back in the church building very soon.

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