

Weekly News 17 January 2021 The Second Sunday of Epiphany

**Welcome! We welcome you to
our Oxshott Praise style service**

**Today's Service: Kingdom Building - studies in
the book of Nehemiah: Vision into Action**

10am Listen & Pray live streamed at 10am

Listen & Pray is a short (approximately 30 minute) opportunity for us to stop and listen to God's word, the Bible, read and preached upon by one of our clergy or lay leaders. This is followed by the opportunity to pray for one another and the needs of the world, led by one of our prayer team. The service is live streamed with a mixture of live and recorded elements. We would love you to join us at 10am on Sundays. The recording will be available throughout the following week on our website. Jill Mengham leads this service and leads prayers. Revd Jolyon Trickey is the Preacher.

Today's Readings

Nehemiah 1.11-2.10; John 1.43-51

Prayer Resources

We have helpful resources on prayer available on our website for individuals and families. Click on *Prayer Suggestions* in our *Services* tab on our homepage for more or join in with [Daily Prayer](#).

The Collect

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



**For sermon recordings, more news, information and
calendar of events go to
www.standrewsoxshott.org.uk**

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 19	9am	Pray Together, via zoom
	4pm	Pastoral Assistants' Meeting
	7.45pm	PCC & BYC Meeting
Wednesday 20	7.30pm	Ministry Team Meeting
Thursday 21	9am	Pray Together, via zoom
Saturday 23	9am	Saturday Prayers, via zoom

SUNDAY 24 JANUARY - The Third Sunday of Epiphany

Traditional style service

Kingdom Building - studies in the Book of Nehemiah:

Weighty Task, Wise Words

Reading: Nehemiah 2.11-20; John 2.1-11

10am Listen & Pray live streamed at 10am

Rev'd Frances Trickey leads this service

Phillip Herbert is Preacher and Jenny Mathieson leads prayers

visit www.standrewsoxshott.org.uk to watch the service.



St ANDREW'S DAILY PRAYERS

There are daily prayers that we can pray together on our website to help renew and strengthen us everyday as we pray. To access the prayers [click here](#). To receive a printed copy, please contact the Church Office, call 01372 842071 or email us at office@standrewsoxshott.org.uk.



NEWS FROM JOSEY

On 4 January the PCC was sent a lovely letter by Josey, who wanted to thank us and pass on two pieces of great news. First, her thanks:

Happy New Year to you all. A very belated but still very sincere and heartfelt thank you for the wonderful leaving cheque that you presented to me at the APCM last year. It was lovely to put some of it towards new furniture for the cottage and other things to make it more homely. ...And then her news:

In early December I received the news that I had passed my MA from St Mellitus, which again is with great thanks to the PCC for the financial and other support throughout the course. A particular thanks to those who journeyed closely with me through all the reading and essay writing!...And secondly:

My first Christmas in Farnham was extra special as Chris and I got engaged on Christmas Eve. It was a lovely surprise and offers a ray of light and excitement for the year ahead.



Finally, she gave us her current email address for anyone who wishes to remain in contact with her. Please contact the Church Office if you would like to receive it. Let's pray for Josey as she continues the work she so enjoys in Farnham and for both Josey and Chris as they make plans for their life together.

Frances

THY KINGDOM COME



Throughout this year, at the instigation of those planning our response to Thy Kingdom Come 2021, we will be offering prayer pointers each week which we hope you will join us in making part of your daily prayer routine. These will seek to combine our twin concerns of St Andrew's Vision and the global call of TKC to pray for God's Kingdom to come among our friends, families, community and worldwide.



Please pray this week for the PCC as they meet on Tuesday 19 January to reflect on the response to BYC presentations and consider the next steps God wishes us to take.

"Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain." Psalm 127.1

THIS WEEK



St Andrew's Christingle Service Online Sunday 31 January

StAks at home will be hosting an online Christingle service on Sunday 31 January. You can log in to watch this 30 minute video and participate in making a Christingle at a time that suits you and your children or grandchildren. To access the service, [click here](#) or visit www.standrewsoxshott.org.uk/staks-at-home.

Please Pray

Pray for all those who are currently unwell, especially Janet Ellinger at Sunrise and the families of those who have died including Don Morgan from Gunters Mead, a faithful member of our monthly communion group.



Bible Course - A Second Chance to Study

The Bible Course is an 8-week pit-stop tour of the whole Bible to help us get the big picture of the message of God's Word. Those attending Life Groups have already been through this course recently but this is another opportunity for any who missed it, or perhaps, missed one or two of the sessions. The course will start on 26 January and run via zoom meetings on Tuesday evenings for about an hour and a half starting at 7.30pm. It comprises a booklet and some well-presented video material as well as time during the meeting for group discussion. If you would like to find out more or join this course, please contact Andy Hum, email andy.hum@standrewsoxshott.org.uk or call 07919 144863. We'd love to have you on-board!



CARE FOR CREATION



New Year Thoughts

You can take used bios, felt tip pens, highlighters etc, but not pencils, to any Ryman's store for recycling – maybe clear your drawers and set up a place to store them until you are going that way?

This weekly element in our notices offers facts, ideas, links and prompts to encourage us in practical action that enhances our care for creation.

MISSION PARTNER UPDATE AND PRAYER

Tanka Subedi

Encouraging news on the growth of God's kingdom continues from our mission partner Tanka Subedi of Nepal. He's written inviting us to celebrate with them 25 years of the Lord's provision for ITEEN (Theological Education by Extension Nepal, or Tools to Equip and Empower disciples) which he started with his wife in 1996. Translating existing courses for use in many villages, led to the planting of many churches, despite persecution and has then multiplied amongst diaspora communities in India, South Korea, UAE, Qatar, UK, USA, Malaysia, Israel and Portugal. ITEEN are now writing their own courses for Christian teens and families. In all this Tanka sees the gracious hand of God at work, despite setbacks and opposition.

- Pray indeed for the work of the Increase Association as they give to and receive from Tanka such encouragement.
- Give thanks for the way God has used the network of churches throughout Nepal and beyond through Nepali Christians scattered around the world, to disseminate TEE material. This work has been used by God for the birthing of new fellowships in new villages, and many who started as students are now pastors and church planters today. Pray that this may continue.
- COVID-19 and anti-conversion law in Nepal have both been hindrances to the work, yet God is working in the midst of this as the ever increasing availability of IT equipment facilitates online courses. Praise the Lord.
- Pray for those on TEE courses that they may be doers of the word and not hearers only, especially for families to whom one course is especially directed.

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