A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen.



Giving at St James

If you wish to make a donation towards the ministry of St. James, or indeed

need to pay for a specific service, please speak to Rev Ian or the Churchwardens. Alternatively, you can scan the QR code in this notice. Thank you.



Toilet rolls

Could people save the cardboard tubes from toilet and kitchen rolls and given them to Beth G (or leave them at the back of church). They are needed by her Guide unit. Thank you.

Contact details:

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Rest day: Friday

Church website: www.stjamesblendon.org.uk

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stjamesblendon

My notes

Concert Notice

The St Cecilia Singers will be performing in St John's church Eltham (SE9 1DH) on Saturday 22nd November, at 7.30pm. The concert will include Vivaldi's *Gloria* and other works by Handel and Bach. Entrance free, with a retiring collection for Demelza Hospice for Children.

Please see Timothy or Mary N for further details.





9th November 2025

10.30am Remembrance Service

Welcome and notices

Opening words

We sing: O God our help in ages past

We pack shoeboxes

The Liturgy of Remembrance

We sing: Make me a channel of your peace & A new

commandment

We pack shoeboxes

The Lord's Prayer

We sing: Cornerstone

Blessing

Large print service books are available.

Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Visiting

If you would like the opportunity for a longer chat than time affords after a church service please feel free to contact me. Thank you. Rev. lan



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 9th November:

8:00am - Communion Service (BCP) 10:30am - Family Service

Monday 10th November:

10:30am - Prayer meeting cancelled

Tuesday 11th November:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 12th November:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome 7:30pm - PCC meeting in the Garden Rooms

Sunday 16th November:

10:30am - Family Communion Service

Christmas Fair







Our Christmas Fair is being held on Saturday 29th November from 11.00am-2.00pm.

We are now taking donations for the fair and the following items are especially needed: Books, Children's books, Toys, Bric-a-Brac, Christmas crafts, Jewellery, baskets or gift items for the hamper raffle, Fairtrade items for raffle and cakes, preferably home made and if possible some large cakes. There is also a list for donations for the Fairtrade Hamper a the back of the church - please sign up!!

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on 7th December and we will be thinking about Christmas. Please pray for those who plan and deliver this ministry as we look ahead for ideas for upcoming gatherings. Any offers to help with crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up would be really helpful. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. This is an opportunity for parents/carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this ministry, please see Rev Ian.

A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth.

Pets are welcome! Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.

ACEO

Mission Partners

We pray for the work of **SLADE GREEN FOOD-BANK.** We pray for Mell and the support staff, with a particular focus that a long term solution to the problems associated with collecting food from the supermarkets who support the project will be found. We give thanks for those volunteers who have stepped in to help in the meantime.

News from the Food Bank

Slade Green food bank has an urgent need for::

- Tinned fruit and veg
- ♦ Chocolate/snacks



- ♦ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs
- Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- Long life/evaporated milk
- Ready made custard
- ♦ Dried noodles, pasta & rice
- ♦ Pasta/curry sauces
- ♦ Stuffing/gravy
- ♦ Jam, honey, spreads
- ◆ Tins of baked beans, beans and sausages, macaroni cheese & chilli con carne
- ♦ Baby products wet wipes, nappies size 4-6
- Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- ♦ Shampoo & Razors
- Housecleaning products
- Toilet and kitchen roll

Prayer Focus



Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:

Ann C, Maureen B, Brenda M, Brenda P, Janet C, Mike S, Barry G, Thelma H, and Stephen R.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray specifically for Christine, Andy and Craig L and Francesca, Hamilton and Lucas L.

We pray for the families of Vera A and Ray J in their grief. .

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Howard Avenue. Hurst Road and Maple Crescent.