

## 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 Church-  
wardens. Alternatively, you can scan  
the QR code in this notice. Thank you.



## 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. Ian

## Contact details:

**Vicar (Rev'd Ian Smith)** 07841 615945  
vicar@stjamesblendon.org.uk  
37 Bladindon Drive, Bexley, DA5 3BS.  
Rest day: Friday  
**Church website:** [www.stjamesblendon.org.uk](http://www.stjamesblendon.org.uk)  
**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/stjamesblendon>

## My notes

## Collect

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.

**St James the Great**  
Blendon *seeking God and sharing his love*



**30th November 2025**

**10.30am Café Church**

Welcome and notices

Opening words

Advent ring

Song: Hark the glad sound

Confession

Collect

Readings: Isaiah 12:1-5 & Romans 13:11-end

Song: Lo he comes with clouds descending

Readings: Psalm 122 & Mark 24:36-44

Song: King of kings, majesty

We think about God/Activity

Song: Midnight

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Song: We worship a wonderful saviour

Blessing

*If you have a word, a vision or a story to share, please  
speak to Ian or one of the welcomers before the  
service. An auditory loop is available.*

**Large print service books are available.**



# NOTICES

## Dates for your diary

### Sunday 30th November:

8:00am - Communion Service

10:30am - Café Church

12:00pm - Christmas Choir Practice

### Monday 1st December:

10:30am - Prayer meeting

2:00pm - Decorate Christmas tree

### Tuesday 2nd December:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

### Wednesday 3rd December:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

### Saturday 6th December:

7:00pm - Coffee with a Cop

### Sunday 7th December:

10:30am - Communion Service

12:00pm - Christmas Choir Practice



## Christmas Services



These are the details of the Christmas Services we have coming up in the coming weeks:

20th December: 6pm - Longest Night Service

21st December: 6.30pm - Carols by Candlelight

24th December: 3pm - Crib Service  
7pm - 'Midnight Communion @ 7

25th December: 10.30am - Family Service

We will need volunteers to do the Bible readings at the Carols by Candlelight service. Please speak to Rev. Ian if you wish to help. Thank you.

# 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.



## 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 Brenda P, David P and Stephen R.

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Penhill Road, Penhurst Avenue and Portland Avenue.