

# WEEKLY NEWS

This week is the last theme in our “Good News” series – and the good news is **becoming fully myself**. We can sometimes perceive ourselves as being problematic because we are different to others around us. If only we could see how God sees us! He has made us in His image, for life in all its fullness. In Him we can be all we were made to be.



## Ruth's Licensing & First Sunday

Guy's wife, Ruth Donegan-Cross, is joining us as Associate Vicar in just a few weeks time! There are 3 things to be aware of:

- **Ruth's Licensing** – 30 November, 5:30pm, at St Michael's. [Please book online if you will be attending the service.](#)
- **Also on 30 November**, we're looking for volunteers to make tray bakes (to serve ~20 people each) which will be served after the licensing service. [Please either contact the office or sign up on a paper sheet at a Sunday service.](#)
- **7 December Buffet Lunch** – then, for Ruth's first Sunday we are meeting TOGETHER at Warfield School at 10:30am, and will have a buffet lunch (food is provided) after the service. [Please book online if you will be staying for lunch.](#)



## Alpha

We'd really like to start a new Alpha course in January 2026 – it would be perfect to invite all those who visit us over Christmas! However, since Guy and Ruth want to focus their time on getting to know people, they wouldn't be leading this particular course.

We are hoping that a few individuals, or even a life group, would be willing to step up and run the course – whether that's large-scale with multiple groups, or just as a smaller home group. If you have any interest, please let Guy or the staff team know.

## **Our Pathway for Discipleship – an Invitation to Everyone**

Do you have a passion for discipleship – of adults and/or children? At the upcoming PCC Away Day, we will be focussing on our plan for discipleship – for all ages. But it would be great to have **anyone** who wishes to attend there to take part in the morning session, from 9am-12:45pm. If you are a life group / children / youth / worship / congregation / general leader it would be really helpful to have your input. We'll be meeting on Saturday 22 November in the Parish Rooms. Lunch will be provided! Please email [pccsecretary@warfield.org.uk](mailto:pccsecretary@warfield.org.uk) by Wednesday 19 November to say you can come, whether you would like lunch at the end of the session, and any dietary requirements.

## **Mission Partner Christmas Gift**

Each year, we designate one Sunday's offerings as a personal Christmas gift to our Mission Partners, who are faithfully carrying out God's work across the world, often in incredibly difficult circumstances and at great personal cost. In just the last few weeks some of our Mission Partners have been affected by typhoons, floods, and devastating fires, and are working hard to help people who have lost everything as a result. We would love to show our appreciation for all that they do, and will be taking an offering to be shared between them on **Sunday 23 November**, so please come prepared to give generously.

## **Christmas Choir**

Calling all singers. The choir is swinging action again. We are always keen to welcome new singers, especially Tenors and Basses. Being able to read music is an advantage, but not essential. Please contact John Marshall via the church office if you are interested.

## **Knickers November**

Binfield Church runs a clothes bank with several giveaway days each year. They collect good quality, clean clothes all year, but in November they are asking for donations of NEW underwear - it's known as **Knickers November**! If you'd like to help, please buy some underwear for children, women or men (boxer shorts style for men) and drop it at: Binfield Church office (at St Mark's church during opening hours), Binfield Rectory or the Foxes' Den community cafe.

# THIS SUNDAY

## **St Michael's**

At St Michael's we will be looking at the good news of our identity, and how we are special to the good shepherd. There will be children's work running as well.

## **Whitegrove**

This Sunday at Whitegrove we'll be exploring how we can become fully ourselves – and usual children's groups will be running. Please remember to keep bringing your own mugs for tea & coffee!

## MISSION PARTNERS: ST PETER'S LIFE-LINE



Our prayers this week are for the St Peter's Lifeline charity (SPL), who are helping the people of Kajuki, Kenya.

Please pray for them on the points below. You can find more detail in their [First Friday Prayers](#).

- Pray for the sponsored education scheme – Kenya have almost reached the end of the school year and are coming to the extended Christmas break. Representatives of SPL were able to say farewell to primary school leavers and see some of the school classes in action.
- SPL also sponsor university students and this ties into their micro finance scheme. One supporter has donated a fully upgraded laptop to a student who is studying computer science. Another student studying business management has visited markets impacted by the micro finance scheme, to help make a report for her degree.
- And please pray for the girl with “no name”. A young girl was found aimlessly wandering, abandoned by her parents, and is unable to speak or hear – thus no one knows her name. She is now being taken care of by a church family and will soon begin attending a school for those with impaired communication.

# NOTICES

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Coming up soon:

- **18 November** – Threads Craft Evening – 7:30pm in the Parish Rooms
- **19 November** – Prayer Meeting – 8pm at St Michael's
- **22 November** – PCC Away Day – 9:30am in the Parish Rooms
- **23 November** – Worship Evening – 7pm at St Michael's
- **30 November** – Ruth Donegan-Cross' Licensing – 5:30pm at St Michael's
- **7 December** – TOGETHER Service – 10:30am at Warfield School  
With a buffet lunch – please sign up to let us know catering numbers

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