

WEEKLY NEWS

What a fantastic service we had at Warfield School on Sunday, as our proper welcome to Guy and Ruth as we definitively end our period of vacancy.

A thank you from Guy and Ruth – **tap, click** or **Ctrl-click** on the image for a video:



CHRISTMAS

All of our services (Carols, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day) are on our website: [Warfield Christmas services](#). There are also leaflets available on Sunday – here's [a printable Christmas leaflet](#) if you want more to give to your friends. You **do not** need to book for any of our Christmas services this year.

Prayer

Prayer continues to be an important part of our Christian lives throughout Advent and Christmas. Both of these are highlighted in the videos below (**tap, click** or **Ctrl-click** the images):



- [Advent Calendar](#) – it's not too late to start using it!



- [Prayer Cabin Calendar](#)

Carol Singing

Our candlelit carol services this year are on Sunday 21st December at St Michael's – but this year we are having **two** services:

- The **4pm** service is family-friendly, with carols led by a worship band, and is a little shorter than usual (five lessons instead of nine).
- The **7pm** service is a more traditional nine lessons and carols, led by the organ and our choir, followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

The Warfield choir will also be singing out in the community, and taking donations for Share Bracknell (a pop up food share). Anyone is welcome to join in with them on:

- Tuesday 16th December from 6pm – at Waitrose (in the town centre)
- Friday 19th December from 6pm – at the Admiral Cunningham pub (next to St Andrew's)

Please dress Christmassy!

Social Outreach Donations

And finally, there are two ways in which you can donate gifts, to those who will not receive much this Christmas.

- **Lawrence Court (a retirement complex in Woodhurst)** – this Sunday is the last chance to bring donations for a Christmas hamper. Mince pies, biscuits, soups, crackers etc, just make sure they are **long-lasting** so that they are edible over Christmas!

- **Bracknell Toy Donations** - would you like to help children have a happy first Christmas in the UK? The Migration Support Officer at Bracknell Council is appealing for **new toys** as Christmas presents for children in families they support. Many of them have had a traumatic start to life, and a small gift will help them feel welcome in their new home country. You can drop donations at the Church Office until **19th December**. Thank you!

THIS SUNDAY

St Michael's

This Sunday is an all-age service, as we light the 3rd Advent candle and think about how John the Baptist pointed the way to Jesus. We are also excited to have Ruth with us as she baptises twins George and Evie.

After the service we will be decorating St Michael's with some Christmas greenery – we would love if there were a few extra pairs of hands to help!

Whitegrove

At Whitegrove we have Guy preaching to us about the link between John the Baptist and Jesus, and we have our kids & youth Christmas parties!

And tomorrow (Saturday), from 7:30pm a group from Whitegrove will be meeting at The Boot for a church pub night. This happens monthly and is organised by Ben Durbin –if you want to be added to the WhatsApp group, please email benpdurbin@gmail.com with your mobile number.

MISSION PARTNERS: THE ADHIKARIS



Our prayers this week are for the Adhikari family in Nepal. We have supported Milan and Shusma and the Aanandit Church and Charity since 2002. Aanandit have planted many congregations in the Kathmandu area and have established several community projects.

Click to [watch a short introduction](#) or read [their December prayer diary](#).

Please pray for them:

- **Leadership Training** – Aanandit have a vision to plant 40 churches by the year 2033; they already have 21! But church planting requires leadership, so Aanandit

have and continue to run leadership courses. The “Ezra” course in October had 13 participants, and the annual 3-day Aanandit Conference in November had 52 pastors and leaders attending.

- **Christmas Season** – Aanandit have several services and projects to engage the community; including carol singing, special events for the children, and the women and girls, and fellowship on Christmas Day including free food!
- **Current Projects** – and please pray for the continued blessings seen within Aanandit’s main projects. The girls hostel, micro business program and more are all seeing success and are growing people’s faith in Jesus. A team from the church are currently travelling in Western Nepal for outreach work. Another team are in Lalitpur teaching on spiritual gifts. Please give thanks for God’s provision of the resources for all of this to continue happening.

NOTICES

Click to see the [full slideshow of rolling notices](#).

Coming up soon:

- **17 December** – Prayer Meeting – 8pm at St Michael’s
- **21 December** – Carol Services – 4pm & 7pm at St Michael’s
- **24 December** – Christmas Eve
- **25 December** – Christmas Day
- **28 December** – 10:30am TOGETHER Service at St Michael’s
- **4 January** – 10:30am TOGETHER Service at St Michael’s

CHRISTMAS: [Warfield Christmas Services](#)

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