

WEEKLY NEWS

This will be the last full “Weekly News” email until 9th January. For the next two weeks, there will be a short email on Saturdays to remind you of our services for the following day.

This week is the 4th and final Sunday of Advent – we focus on Mary, and her advent as she prepared for the birth of her son Jesus. As Christmas Day approaches, don’t forget to enjoy the thoughtful daily entries on our website Advent calendar!



All of our services are on our website: [Warfield Christmas services](#). Make sure you know our services for:

- Carols by Candlelight (Sunday, 4pm and 7pm)
- Christmas Eve (Wednesday, 4pm and 11pm)
- Christmas Day (Thursday, 08:30am / 10am)

On the two Sundays after Christmas (28th Dec and 4th Jan), our services are:

- 08:30 Communion at St Andrew’s
- 10:30 TOGETHER Service at St Michael’s (no service at Whitegrove)

Christmas Offerings

On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, any financial offerings given during our services will be donated to the following charities:

- Christmas Eve 4pm – to ***The Children’s Society***
- Christmas Eve 11pm – to ***Pilgrim Hearts***
- Christmas Day – to ***Pilgrim Hearts***

Social Outreach Donations

THANK YOU for all the donations received for Lawrence Court. We were beyond shocked to receive **9 large carrier bags** all full of food and gifts. The workers and residents of Lawrence Court were very emotional and thankful for our gift.

We are still looking for some **toy donations (of new toys)** to assist migrant families being looked after by Bracknell Council. They had been due to move to new

accommodation in the new year, but these plans have fallen through – so the council support teams are trying to give these families a joyful time as they celebrate their first Christmas in the UK. Please bring all donations on **Sunday morning**, either to Morgan or Ruth.

THIS SUNDAY

St Michael's

At St Michael's we will be joined by Guy, to speak on his view of the virgin birth and celebrate Communion. There will be a children's craft group in the Parish Rooms.

There will also be a handout with more information on Guy's talk – if you'd like a preview, you can see it now! [The Virgin Birth \(Guy's sermon\)](#).

Whitegrove

This Sunday is our all-age service, and we will be joined by Ruth to speak on Mary as we light our 4 advent candles. We will also celebrate Communion.

MISSION PARTNERS: COMPASSION



Our prayers this week are for Compassion. They are a charity who believe that every child should have hope for their future. Warfield Church supports two children; Lloyd in Kenya, and Karielle in Brazil.

We recently received this message from Compassion:

[Dear Warfield Church,](#)

[I have just been informed by our local colleagues that Karielle is no longer part of the Compassion programme.](#)

[As I'm sure you'll understand, life can be unpredictable and sometimes children leave the Compassion programme earlier than expected. In Karielle's case, she and her family have moved to a new area where there is no Compassion project, so sadly they will no longer be able to participate in the programme.](#)

While we're sad to say goodbye, we pray this move brings new opportunities and fresh hope for Karielle and her family. Any time spent in a Compassion programme will have been incredibly beneficial and we trust that God will continue to guide Karielle in their next season. Your generosity has given Karielle the opportunity to grow, learn and thrive with access to formal education, regular health care, nourishing meals and vital life skills.

I've heard that Karielle hopes to continue studying, with dreams of one day attending university. Most importantly, she has been part of a loving local church where they've learnt about the lasting hope of Jesus.

Your support has helped Karielle and her family grow stronger, more confident and full of hope. It's a beautiful reminder of how God brings together his people to work through his church. We're truly grateful for you and your faithful compassion.

When you have a moment, please visit Karielle's [thank you page](#). You'll find photos of Karielle here too.

Please pray for Karielle and her family in this time of change.

NOTICES

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

Coming up soon:

- **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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