Prayer Focus for December

Pray for Wymondham at Christmas

- Please pray for the events at WBC over the Christmas season our all-age worship on 18th December; our Carol Service on the evening of the same day; our Christmas Day service, and our New Year's Day Reflection. Pray that these are more simply a time of enjoying the familiar traditions that they are times in which folk discover the reality of a Jesus who came to earth to bring forgiveness and an eternal hope to those who do not know Him.
- Pray for Roots, Home From Home, and the various aspects of Youth and Children's work, and all those who lead and help these activities – that the love of Jesus may be shown in very practical ways, as the Church serves the community.
- Pray for all those in Wymondham who are struggling this
 Christmas due to the cost of living crisis, and for whom
 Christmas brings additional worries and stress; for those who do not know how they will provide for their family at
 Christmas; for those who may not be able to see family and friends; for those who will be on their own at Christmas.
- Pray for those for whom Christmas is a painful time, due to the loss of loved ones. Pray that they may know God's comfort, peace and strength, and that they may experience something of the joy that God gives in the midst of their sadness.

Ask God whether there is someone you need to reach out to this Christmas – whether someone who is lonely, or someone with whom you need to repair a broken relationship

All group leaders and church officers please start to think about your annual report of how God has been at work in 2022. These should be given to Cathy/Church Office by 12th February. Thank you.



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Vision Verse: 'Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes' – Isaiah 54:2 Verse of the Year - "If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord." Romans 14:8

Notice Sheet - 18 and 25.12.2022 and 1.1.2023

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Member of the Leadership Team responsible for today is Jason O'Dell. Please refer all queries to Jason.

We welcome you to our service this morning, This morning's service will be an all age service and will be slightly different to what was planned due to sickness. It will be an all age service and there will be a time of sharing. The service will include Christingle.

As well as joining together in the church building we also live stream our service (including the carol service) through Zoom and the log in details are: - Meeting ID 81280104638 Passcode - worship.

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Dec. 18th - Carol Service - 6.00p.m.

Dec. 19th - Roots Community Café at WBC

10.00a.m. - 12 noon

Dec. 21st - Home from Home - 1.30p.m. - 4.30p.m.

Dec. 22nd - Home from Home - 1.30p.m. - 4.30p.m.

Dec. 25th - CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE - 10.00a.m.

Dev. 28th - Home from Home - 1.30p.m. - 4.30p.m.

Dec. 29th - Home from Home - 1.30p.m. - 4.30p.m.

Jan 1st - Worship at 10.30a.m. led by Neil Starling

Jan 4th - Rosedales Monthly meeting - 10.00a.m.

Jan 4th - Home from Home - 1.30p.m. - 4.30p.m.

Jan 5th - Home from Home - 1.30p.m. - 4.30p.m.

Jan 7th - ORDINATION SERVICE - 2.00p.m.

Jan 8th - Worship at 10.30a.m. including Communion

Jan 9th - Roots Community Café at WBC 10.00a.m. - 1.00p.m.

OUR VISION - To be 'An authentic church with a place for everyone'



Remember in your prayers, thoughts and actions:Adele following her surgery, Jenni and family, Vernon
and Daphne, Christine, Katherine, David, and others who
are facing difficult health issues at this current time.
Remember those in our fellowship who have lost loved
ones over the last year as they face a first Christmas
without them.

Home from Home meeting - Invites everyone to come along and share in our Warm Space on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon 1.30 - 4.30.m. (Note new time) Tea, coffee, hot chocolate, soup and biscuits and warm snacks are available and a warm welcome, puzzles to do, games to play, newspapers to read and people to chat to.



<u>WWF Footprint Calculator</u> - The planet is in crisis - from climate change to the pollution in our oceans and devastation of our forests. It's up to all of us to fix it. Take your first step with our environmental footprint calculator. We encourage you to check your carbon footprint, by using this easy calculator and then consider how you might improve it. <u>footprint.wwf.org.uk</u>

If you are planning to do any **Christmas shopping** through Amazon and would like to support the church finances at no extra cost to yourself - follow this link (before you start shopping) https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1199302-0 and then carry on to do your shopping and WBC will receive a 0.5% of your shop value at no cost to yourself.

Christmas cards to the whole fellowship are displayed on the ECO boards at the rear of the church.

WBC Prayer Questionnaire - we want to hear your views, feedback, hopes and vision for 'prayer' at church and in our lives. Only about 15 mins to complete (unless you'd like to wax lyrical!) and every person's input will be greatly valued. Paper copies in church or a pdf version is available on the website (click on Church Life/Courses and Events/Prayer at WBC), you can print this at home. Please return all completed questionnaires to the box on the table at church.

PAUL'S ORDINATION - Please remember to sign up if you can come along to the Ordination Service on 7th January. Please also let Cathy (Church Office) know if you are able to help in any way on the day. Thank you.

In January I will start to prepare a new Fellowship Handbook (Address Book). If you would like to be included in the address book, please make sure that you have completed a 'Keeping in Touch' form available from Cathy/Church Office.