

## REFLECTIONS ON THE ROAD AHEAD

With all the changes and challenges we have experienced over the past few months, one thing that has encouraged me is that God is with us – both as we recall what has gone before and also as we look ahead with hope. One particular image that I would like to share with you is of a road with cats' eyes on either side. Sitting in a car on a dark night, the road is unseen and it is only when we turn on the lights that the way is illuminated before us. To me, this is a powerful image as we think of Christ as our light, lighting up the way before us. Even when the future is uncertain and unknown, He is there with us. Most poignantly perhaps, is that the cats' eyes only allow us to see as far as the light allows. We have to move forward trusting that the path will be lit up and that we will see and find the way. Trusting God can be hard and we can often feel uncertain about what lies ahead. But we know we do not journey alone, He is with us and we also have one another. I pray this image encourages you as much as it encourages me as we journey forward.

*“Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path” Psalm 119 v 105.*



*Lynne Thorogood*

### REGULAR SERVICES (15<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> November)

**10.30 am – 11.30 am Private prayer**

**Parish Church of**

**St Peter & St Andrew**

**Service by Zoom from the Vicarage commencing 10.30 am**

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## OLD WINDSOR PARISH NEWS

**KNOWING GOD TOGETHER AND MAKING HIM KNOWN**  
*A Christian Community at the Heart of Old Windsor*

### Remembrance and Memorial November 2020

**A WELCOME TO HISTORIC OLD WINDSOR -  
HOME OF SAXON KINGS -  
PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY**

The boats are on the river, the planes are in the sky;  
The Harvester all cosy, as cars go zooming by;  
Deer off the Long Walk, near Virginia Water Lake;  
The Queen up at the Castle, having her tea and cake.

To the Bells of Ouzely, near the Beaumont Estate  
Goes the number eight bus, highly likely running late;  
Local taxi drivers, all caught in heavy traffic;  
That rush hour thing at Windsor, being rather manic.

The Duke of York and Elton, both chilling in their homes;  
Avoiding local restaurants and media drones;  
Dogs and cats at Battersea and horses on Priest Hill;  
Sussex cows at Runnymede, all standing very still.

Motor boats and leisure cruises, kicking up a swell;  
The French Brothers' timetable, all working very well;  
Through locks and under bridges, then round another bend;  
For wealthy foreign tourists, our district is on trend.

Finally from Heathrow, Boeing Seven Four Sevens;  
Majestically departing, high among the heavens;  
We wish them all the very best, until they return;  
And that is that for now my friends, it's time to adjourn.

*Andrew Stuart Tucker, 2020*

*We have journeyed through difficult times this year, taking us from and losing a reassuring and familiar world, into what is or will be a 'new normal'. But we journey together as a community. This different Newsletter is meant to reflect these thoughts.*



## SERVICES

Following the new Government Guidance issued 31<sup>st</sup> October, as from 3<sup>rd</sup> November current plans for our Parish this month are:

### 8<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Sunday

10.45 am Remembrance Service in the Parish Church grounds [outside the church] with people 2 metres apart and wearing face coverings necessary. **[Note start time]**

### 15<sup>th</sup> November - Second Sunday before Advent

### 22<sup>nd</sup> November - Christ the King

### 29<sup>th</sup> November – First Sunday of Advent

10.30 – 11.30 am Individual private prayer in the Parish Church. **Also**

10.30 am a Morning service via Zoom from the Vicarage. This will be recorded for later viewing if more convenient.

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### 8<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Service

Again, due to new constrictions placed on us by the Coronavirus pandemic, this will be held in the Churchyard outside the Belfry Door commencing at 10.45 am. If you attend you are asked to obey the two metre distancing rule and wear a face covering.

### Thursday evenings – 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> November

There will a prayer evening via Zoom at 7.30 pm.

### 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> November -Saturdays

There will be a Pastoral Message to the Parish issued through email..

## Suggested Readings for November 2020

### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Sunday

Psalm 70                      1 Thessalonians 4: 13 -18                      Matthew 25 : 1 - 13

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Second Sunday before Advent

Psalm 90 : 1 - 8                      1 Thessalonians 5: 1 - 11                      Matthew 25 : 14 – 30

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November - Christ the King

Psalm 85 : 1 - 7                      Ephesians 1: 15 - end                      Matthew 25 : 15 – end

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November - First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 64 : 1 – 9                      Psalm 80 : 1 - end                      Mark 13 : 24 - end

### The Manor Care Home Service

has been taken in very recent months by a Zoom Service led by Lynne Thorogood.

## NEWS

### The 5p coin collection

continues to raise money for repairs to our church: and so far over £450. Thank you for ALL coin contributions, and it is good to see the 5p jar filling up again!

### 50 Club

The Draws have continued throughout the year. The winners of the monthly draws were: February – Christine Harris, March – Ken Norris, April – Averil Rodgers, May – Shaun Alexander, June – Wendy King, July – Ruth Mackenzie, August – Valerie Hardman, September – Tony Howe, and October – Iris Clempson. Congratulations to all of those.

### Foodshare

The last church contribution taken to Windsor was on the Thursday prior to the 'lockdown' conditions. Since then contributions have been collected in many roads throughout Old Windsor and outside the Coop. With restricted numbers able to be inside the Church for Sunday Worship, we are contributing to the Old Windsor collections. Of course if you wish to contribute money and/or Gift Aid please contact Sarah by email at [sarah@windsorfoodshare.org.uk](mailto:sarah@windsorfoodshare.org.uk).

### St Luke's Church

is still being advertised as a Hall for Hire. It will be available for Hire any day except Sundays, but is not available for children's parties. Cost is 'negotiable to meet your budget and our needs'. Contact Antony on 01753 855344 or [antony53@sky.com](mailto:antony53@sky.com)

### PCC – the NEXT Meeting

will be held on **Monday December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm** in St Luke's Church. In the August meeting, chaired by Peter Warner, PCC expressed gratitude to Blair Coutts for taking on the role of Treasurer. The Parish Church break-in and new locks was discussed, as was the problem of vehicles in the Car Park opposite the church and the necessity for the 2020 APCM. Lynne was given a vote of heartfelt thanks for all she has done in running Sunday Services – including Zoom Evensongs. In the October meeting, Revd Adel was welcomed back. Blair produced figures relating to our finances so we could discuss how we should pay Parish Share. Seasonal Services were referred to, and an emailing system check was proposed and will be completed by Erica.

### Parish Giving Scheme

Thank you again to those who have 'switched' weekly donations to the 'new' Scheme. It has been especially helpful to our finances this year to receive regular Gift Aid throughout the year. It is not too late to join this scheme, so please see Rae if you wish to join.

**On 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020**  
**Old Windsor Parish Church remembers**

**DAVID SUSTINS**

**MARGARET GILSON**

**RAY ALDER**

**NOEL HARGOOD**

**DAVID BRAZIER**

**TONY GOUGH**

**JOHN HARDMAN**

**ANNETTE BEGBIE**

**CLAUDE WEIGT**

**GEORGE WILSON**

**JULIA MOLYNEAUX**

**KEITH COOK**

**LINDA COZENS**

**GABRIEL STOWE**

**JUDITH ELIZABETH PEARSON**

**JACK TAYLOR-WARNER**

**SYLVIA MORRISSY**

**FREDERICK BUNCE**

**GLADYS BUNCE**

**CLIFFORD PEARSON**

**SALLY PEARSON**

**CLIFF PEARSON**



**PHILIP PLUMRIDGE**  
**BETTY SAVORY**

**PATRICK MCGOWAN**  
**DAVID BACON**  
**MARY MCGOWAN**  
**BILL SIMMONDS**  
**JOYCE SIMMONDS**

**PHILIP TUCKER**  
**LUCILLE TUCKER**

**BRIAN GRAY**  
**DAVID GRAY**  
**TERRY COLE**  
**JENNY COURTNAGE**

**ROLAND KING**  
**GEORGE SHEPPARD**

**LEONARD JAMES STEVENSON**  
**GLADYS LURLINE STEVENSON**

**CLIFFORD ROBB**  
**LESLEY WHITE**

**BRENDA WILSON**  
**MARY KEOGH**  
**JOHN CLIST**

**TED NORTON**  
**SYLVIA NORTON**  
**RAV BAHRA**

**HENRY TAYLOR**  
**ETHEL TAYLOR**  
**ALAN TAYLOR**  
**MORIAN HOBBS**

