

**SUN**

**BREAKFAST TOGETHER** - Join us for a buffet style breakfast with cereals, toast, croissants, coffee and tea every third Sunday in the month. Next Breakfast : **18 February.**

**COME TOGETHER** - Informal evening worship. **5.00 p.m.** every 2nd Sunday in the Main Hall. Next Service: **11 February**

**MON**

**MORNING PRAYER** - **9.00 a.m.** in Church every Monday (except Bank Holidays).

**PENSIONERS' PRAISE** - **2.00 p.m.** All welcome! You don't have to be a pensioner. Next service: **5 March**

**TUE**

**TODDLERS** - From **10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.** in the hall every Tuesday in term time. Please contact the office if you would like a place.

**COFFEE DROP-IN** - Tea, coffee, cakes and chat every Tuesday morning from **10.00 a.m. to 12 noon** in the Atrium.

**THU**

**LADIES ON THURSDAY** - A chance for ladies to explore and grow in the Christian faith, from **9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.** in the Small Hall, in term time.

**LADIES BOOK CLUB** - **8.00 p.m.** in the Small Hall. Next Meeting: **15 February. Film 22 February.** All welcome.

**FRI**

**TODDLERS** - From **10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.** in the hall every Friday in term time. Please contact the office to join the waiting list.

**YOUTH CLUB** - Calling 11 - 16 year olds! Come and join the youth team for various fun activities in the Church Hall.

**Every Friday in term time from 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.**

**SAT**

**DAMBUSTERS** - Fun, games, coffee and bacon rolls for dads plus under 5s. Third Saturday of every month from **8.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.** in the hall. Next meeting: **17 February**

**CORNERSTONE COFFEE SHOP** is open from 8.45 a.m.- 12 noon each weekday in term time.

## Prayer Focus

If there is a prayer need that you would like sent around our prayer circle please contact the Church Office or Marigold Benbough 01277 624960.

**Please pray for people on our Church Electoral Roll:**

**Give thanks** for the Baptism Preparation Teams who are going out.

**Please pray for the bereaved families of:**

**For those who are ill, or who have specific needs:**

**For our Mission Partners:**

Street Pastors Billericay; Jeremy & Kate Ellis (WEC); St Francis Church Ciamanda & Ciamanda School, Kenya; Pappy Daniel (Light of Hope Mission, India); Schools Ministry Billericay; David and Amy Roche (CMS); Verity Butt

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Days off: Tuesday and Friday

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**Church Warden:** Susan Goldsmith 01277 650932

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Rest Day: Saturday

**Church Office:**

Open Monday to Thursday 9.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m.

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## Christ Church, Billericay

*"To know Jesus better and to make Jesus better known"*

**11 February 2018**

**The Third Sunday before Lent**

**10.00 a.m. Service of the Word**  
**Lead:** Carol Cockcroft  
**Preach:** Sue Goldsmith

**Bible readings:** Psalm 50:1-6  
**Small print:** 572 **Large print:** 888  
 Mark 9:2-9  
**Small print:** 1012 **Large print:** 1567

**Songs:**

**SOF 1205** Come, now is the time to worship  
**SOF 362** Lord, the light of your love  
**SOF 1** Abba Father  
**Screen** I come in simplicity  
**SOF 480** Rejoice, rejoice

**A prayer for this week:**

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Next Sunday: 18 February 2018**

**8.00a.m. Holy Communion**  
**Lead/Preside** Rev Margaret Fowler  
**Preach:** Carol Cockcroft

**10.00a.m. Celebration**  
**Lead:** Rev Margaret Fowler  
**Preach:** Steve Kersys

**HEARING LOOP PROVIDED**

## CHRIST CHURCH

### COME TOGETHER PLUS

Today, 11 February at 3.30 p.m. the usual "Come Together" will be extended to include games and tea followed by a short time of worship ending at 6.00 p.m. Great for families. All welcome.

### VISIT TO CHRIST CHURCH BY NEIL ROPER, CHRISTIAN AID

We have received a thank you message from Neil Roper who spoke at Christ Church last Sunday. He expressed his thanks that you had donated a total of £347 to Christian Aid through the retiring collection and also sponsoring his marathon run, which he said was "amazing". Thank you everyone!

### LENT COURSE

The Lent Course this year will be the delayed "More than Conquerors" Course and will be led by Pete Fisher and Margaret Fowler. It will be held in Christ Church at 7.45 p.m. (coffee) for 8.00 p.m. start. The dates are 21 & 28 February, 7, 14, 21, 28 March. Please join us if you can for this challenging and exciting course.

### EASTER LILIES

If you would like to donate a lily in memory of a loved one please complete an order form now available on the welcome table.

### BUTTSBURY INFANT SCHOOL & MEMORIES OF LONDON

If you have photographs, magazines, newspapers or memories of London pre-19050's do join us for a visit to Buttsbury Infant School to share your memories on Wednesday, 21 February at 1.30 p.m. Please let Rev Margaret Fowler know if you can come.

### HELP NEEDED BY OUR FLOWER TEAM

Our wonderful flower team led by Linda Gilbey, has been shrinking in numbers recently and they are desperate for more help. If you can arrange flowers in a vase you are qualified to sign up! If you would like to help, please speak to Linda Gilbey or phone her on

01277 656217 or email [ljpgilbey@aol.com](mailto:ljpgilbey@aol.com).

## TEAM

### ASH WEDNESDAY—14 FEBRUARY

We will be joining with the congregation of Great Burstead and other Team Churches at St Mary Magdalene, Great Burstead on Ash Wednesday at 7.30pm.

### FESTIVAL OF FAITH & LITERATURE

#### "Building a New Jerusalem" - 16-18 February 2018

The Church Times are sponsoring a Festival of Faith & Literature "with a theological slant" at Bloxham School, Oxfordshire to celebrate the very best new fiction and non-fiction with a faith perspective. There are performances by *Journey Through Conflict* and *The Shakespeare Revue*. You also have the option to attend a gala dinner and a Sunday afternoon tea. For further information and tickets see [bloxhamfaithandliterature.hymsan.co.uk](http://bloxhamfaithandliterature.hymsan.co.uk) or phone 0845 017 6965.

### BI-MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY FOR ADULTS

A new Bible Study starts at Emmanuel Church on Sunday, 18 February at 12.30 p.m. Session 1 looks at the 'Who and How of Biblical Interpretation'. Please see Stephen Greenfield [s.greenfield4@icloud.com](mailto:s.greenfield4@icloud.com) for more information.

### WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

**Friday 2 March** at St Mary Magdalene Church, Gt Burstead at 10.30 a.m. It has been prepared by the women of Suriname. All welcome.

## COMMUNITY

### BILLERICAY COMMUNITY CHOIR – VALENTINES CONCERT

Concert to be held at Christ Church on Saturday, 17 February. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. start. Admission is free. Refreshments. Donations will go to the British Heart Foundation.

### MIDWEEK WORSHIP -

#### BILLERICAY TEAM MINISTRY & CTB

Mon: Morning Prayer at Christ Church at 9.00 a.m.  
Tue: Morning Prayer at Emmanuel at 9.00 a.m.  
Wed: Holy Communion at St Mary Magdalen "The Church in the High Street" at 10.00 a.m.  
Shared between the Team Clergy  
Thur: Morning Prayer at St Mary the Virgin at 9.00 a.m.  
Fri: United in Prayer with CTB at St Mary Magdalen "The Church in the High Street" at 8.00 a.m.

## KEY DATES IN CHRIST CHURCH DIARY

14 February	Ash Wednesday Service, St MM, Gt Burstead
19 February	PCC, St John's 8.00.p.m.
21 February	Lent Course, Christ Church 7.54 p.m.
3 March	Thanksgiving Service for Lily Knightbridge at 12 noon.
4 March	Civic Service, Billericay Baptist Church 3.00 p.m.

### SPECIAL PRAYERS

**Morning Prayer is held in the Church every Monday at 9.00 a.m. when we pray for the Church and the world.**  
**For Rev Margaret Fowler:** Please pray for Margaret and her family while she is away in Kenya.

**For Liz Skudder Outreach Worker:** Please pray for Liz who is on maternity leave with baby Thomas.