### Friends of Hascombe

We are as ever, rising up to the challenges that the New Year has presented. Have a look and see what you think of some of our ideas - all can be adjusted according to current and changing guidelines over the coming months.

Our first virtual Book Club session on the 13th January went really well. We had a great turnout and some really interesting discussions! Do think about coming along - it's a great way to focus the mind and to enjoy good company and reading. We hope to one day run the club in person but for now the sessions are on Zoom. Our next Book Club event is on Wednesday 10th March at 7.30 pm and we are reading "Away with the Penguins" by Hazel Prior which promises to be a joyful read. Please email friendsofhascomb@hotmail.com to find out more.

Virtual Coffee Mornings continue every Wednesday through the winter months from 11 - 12 on Zoom. Join us with coffee and cake for chat and friendship. All are welcome - if you're working from home join us for a quick break or stay the whole hour for laughter and chat. Zoom ID 880 7288 6820

Fun February Challenge to ease any lockdown blues! During February we invite you to take part in one (or all!) of three challenges. Photographic evidence (or videos) of challenges must be sent

to <a href="mailto:friendsofhascombe@hotmail.com">friendsofhascombe@hotmail.com</a> by Sunday 28th February and we will feature these on the Friends of Hascombe website in a gallery. And as soon as we can organise a face-to-face event (we know this might be some way away but hopefully in the Summer!) we will exhibit ALL challenges for everyone to see. We hope lots of villagers will want to take part in these challenges - children and adults alike.

Welcome to St. Peter's. We hope you will come again.

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### Giving to the Work of the Church

By using (and completing) one of our gift envelopes, the value of your contribution is increased by 25p for every £1 given (if you are a standard rate tax payer). The parish is dependent, solely on the offerings of the congregation for its day-to-day running. If you would like to know details of how to give regularly, please speak to the Treasurer, June Price (208277)

Pew Slip - we like to keep the Pew Slip as up to date and informative as possible. Please let Colin Swait (01483 425380) know by the middle of the week (or in his absence, Anne Eve) if there are any items you would like to be included.

#### News? Views? Problems?

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at Wheel Cottage, (trish@wheelcottage.com)
by the 15th of the month.

Subscriptions to Sandy Crowther — 208329.

# ST. PETER'S, HASCOMBE Please take this home with you



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Sunday 31st January 2021
The Third Sunday of Epiphany
Presentation of Christ in the Temple
Reverend Ian Maslin officiating with
Venerable Paul Davies preaching

DUE TO THE LOCK-DOWN ALL LIVE SERVICES ARE NOW SADLY CANCELLED



# Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

# Readings for Epiphany

Old Testament: Malachi 3. 1-5 Epistle: Hebrews 2. 14-18 Gospel: Luke 2.22-40

We pray for those who are ill, and those who care for them. May all those who still miss them be comforted and strengthened by the Peace of God

Judy Bolt, Sue and Dennis Evans, Sami Bennewith, Amanda and Hugh, Tim Bailey, Michael Burt, Sarah Godwin and John Davies, William & James Mason, Sally Rivett, Sue Simper, Jacky Williams, Alli, Lizzy and Paddy Laverty, Jan & Mark Knott

### We pray for the recently departed Rev Norman Edsall

We remember those who have died and for those whose anniversaries of their death occur during this coming week. May all those who still miss them be comforted & Strengthened by the Peace of God.

Caroline Herman, Reginald Porter, Vera Causey, Anthony Leaning, Gabriel Macin, Norman Botting, Mabel Green, Philip Stevens, Frederick Lee, Kate Stevens, William Reed, Louisa Elliott & Paula Butcher.



# Services for January/February 2021

ALL LIVE SERVICES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE ARE NOW CANCELLED.

There will be a live streamed shortened service at 9.45 for 10.00 a.m. start. You can join the Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2746581498?pwd">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2746581498?pwd</a> = WillcHBydidOOEEzZ2tBVDNyMFBaZz09

31st January

Epiphany 4 Presentation of
Christ in the Temple

10.00 a.m.

Holy Communion from The
Rectory via live streaming

7<sup>th</sup> February Second before Lent 10.00 a.m. Service of the word

14<sup>th</sup> February **Transfiguration** No 8.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m. Joint Parish Communion at Dunsfold with Rev Martin

Booth

17<sup>th</sup> February
7.30 p.m.
Ash Wednesday
Holy Communion & Imposition

of Ashes

21st February
8.00 a.m.
Holy Communion in Dunsfold
10.00 a.m.
Joint Parish Communion

28<sup>th</sup> February Second Sunday of Lent 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.00 a.m. Joint Parish Communion at

Dunsfold

4.00 p.m. Funday@4 at Dunsfold

### **Pew Sermon for today**

Do you ever feel like that? You get excited and you wait for something, and maybe it feels like you wait for a long time, and then you get disappointed with what happens? Perhaps your Christmas was like that. Or maybe your whole 2020 was like that! I guess if we are eagerly waiting for something like parties or presents, it can be easy to feel let down or disappointed.

In our Gospel lesson, there were some people who had waited a very long time for something to happen. Anna and Simeon were two people who worked in the temple. Both of them were pretty old, and they had waited their entire lives for the Messiah. They knew God had promised to send a saviour who would lead and rescue the people. Simeon was a priest, and God had told Simeon that he would get to see the chosen Messiah before he died. Well, as part of Jewish customs, Mary and Joseph took baby Jesus to the temple after he was born. They had special ceremonies to do for Him. God told Simeon that the time had come for him to see Jesus, and he knew just what baby it was. Simeon was so excited to meet Jesus! He gave thanks to God for letting him witness the Messiah. He even said that he was satisfied and could die in peace, because he had laid eyes on the promised one. Another old temple worker was there, Anna. She also blessed God and gave thanks for this new born saviour. Both Simeon and Anna had waited for years and years. Do you think they felt disappointed? No! They were so joyful and thankful that they had seen Jesus. He was worth waiting for.

And that's what we need to remember. As we finish one year and enter another, and as we say goodbye to Christmas (which, by the way, is still the season according to church calendar...), we want to recall what it is we celebrate. We are not only happy that the holidays have come, but that CHRIST has come. Jesus reminds us that God never forgets His promises. Sometimes it seems He is slow to answer our prayers or act on His word, but He always will. Jesus is the best gift of Christmas, and He will never disappoint. We don't just celebrate His coming one day a year. We should give thanks for it every day! He was born, lived, died, and rose again for us, to give us blessings and salvation. Let's thank God for that now, and always. Amen