

Open to God. Open to one another. Open to the community.

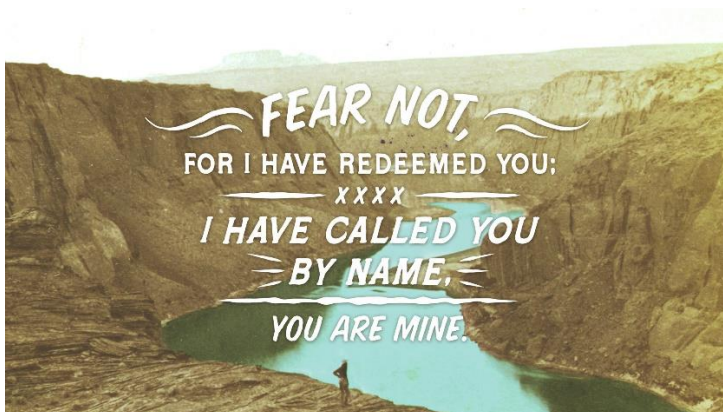
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	<p>Sunday 9 January 2022 Baptism of Christ</p>
<p>First Reading Second Reading Gospel Reading</p>	<p>Isaiah 43:1-7 Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22</p>
<p>Hymn Numbers:</p>	<p>583 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness 654 She sits like a bird 589 On Jordan's bank 789 We are marching</p>

This Week	Bible Readings	Activities
Mon 10 Jan	Mark 1:14-20	2.30-3.30pm Tea & Tinies
Tues 11 Jan	Mark 1:21-28	10am-12pm Board Games Café 2.15pm Mothers' Union mtg
Weds 12 Jan	Mark 1:29-39	11am Wednesday Service
Thurs 13 Jan	Mark 1:40-end	2.15-4.15pm Over 50's
Fri 14 Jan	Mark 2:1-12	10am-12pm Community Coffee 2pm- 4pm SNAC
Sat 15 Jan	Mark 2: 13-17	



PRAYER

Prayer Chain Requests can be sent
to Janice Williams at
office@stnicolas.org.uk or
07453 859159

Collect: Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

A Prayer for 2022

*Remember us, O God;
from age to age be our comforter.
You have given us the wonder of time,
blessings in days and nights,
seasons and years.
Bless your children at the turning of the year
and fill the months ahead with
the bright hope
that is ours in the coming of Christ.
You are our God, living and reigning,
forever and ever.
Amen*

Norwich Diocese

Notices:

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

Mothers' Union will be starting the New Year with the ringing of bells! Do come along to hear Carol of the Bells at 2.15 on Tuesday 11th

January. All are Welcome.

If you would like a chat on the phone or to pray with someone or you need a prescription collecting or essential shopping our **Pastoral Care Team** will be pleased to hear from you. Please contact Jenny on 0118 926 8561 or email care@stnicolas.org.uk or phone Parish Office 0118 966 9080 and leave a message. Earley Hub earleyhub@gmail.com 07493 784091 is also there to offer help to the community- collection of prescriptions and shopping, prayer, a listening ear and recommending other help.



**Oakwood
Forest
Church**

Location:
Community Garden
at St Nicolas Church
Sutcliffe Avenue
Earley. RG6 7JN

Coming of the Light

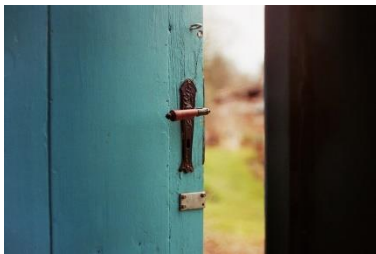
**Saturday 8th January 2022 at 7am
Followed by Breakfast**



The community garden at St Nicolas Church on Sutcliffe Avenue in Earley is fully accessible to everyone whether you use feet or wheels, whether you need to stay seated or like to jump and run.

For more information visit: oakwoodforestchurch.wordpress.com

Notices:



An Open Door Retreat – starting January 26th

Would you like to join us?

What is it?

“Behold, I am standing at the door knocking.

If one of you hears me calling and opens the door, I will come in to share his meal side by side with him”.

The Open Door Retreat is an opportunity to make a retreat that is both on one’s own and with others; it is done in an everyday context without going away anywhere! Over 9 weeks, we reflect on God’s love especially as we see it in Jesus; we set aside time to be with God, to meet with Jesus in a deeper way and to open more of ourselves to the Spirit’s influence.

What is expected of me?

Each of us would have to be able to commit to giving half an hour a day to prayer on the materials given each week. We would also commit to coming to the weekly meetings and sharing something of our own experience in prayer.

Dates and Times

We will be meeting on Wednesday evenings 7.30 – 9.30 in church, January 26th – March 30th with the following exceptions:

On Feb 26th there will be a break for half term

In the week starting February 28th, because of Ash Wednesday, we will meet on a different night, agreed in the first session.

How to book:

If you are interested, please let Steve or Margaret Brown know (emails below). The group size is limited to 12, so booking is essential. You are very welcome to do it for a second (or third) time if you wish. Our experience is that each time you do it, it is very different.

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