#### The Week Ahead

**Collective Worship School** Tues 15 9.15 am **AS Worship committee Wisteria Cottage** 6.30 pm Home Group David and Peggy 8028 3154 7.15pm 7.30 pm Rock Choir St M Wed 16 10.30 am **Holy Communion and coffee Nondescripts Bellringing AS** 11.00 am 7.30 pm **AS Standing Committee Cauldrons** Thurs 17 7.30 pm Bell Ringing AS and St M Standing Committee St M 7.30 pm **Kneeler Group AS** Fri 18 3.00 pm

## Next Sunday 20th January Epiphany 2

9.30 am Holy Communion AS

10.30 am Holy Communion and coffee St M

6.00 pm Sunday at Six CC

 Isaiah 62. 1-5
 GNB OT 712

 1 Corinthians 12. 1-11
 GNB NT 207

 Luke 4. 14-21
 GNB NT 76

Please note St M is St Michael's Lyndhurst

AS is All Saints Minstead CC is Christ Church Emery Down

## January / February

#### 27th January

9.30 am Holy Communion CC
10.30 am Coffee then Altogether Worship St M
10.30 am Service of the Word AS
6.00 pm Benefice Taizé Service St M

### $3^{\text{rd}}$ February

9.30 am Holy Communion AS10.30 am YouChurch CC

11.00 am Holy Communion and coffee St M

#### 10<sup>th</sup> February

9.30 am
10.30 am
4.15 pm
6.00 pm
Holy Communion CC
Coffee then Morning Worship St M
Discussion Group and Tea AS
Evensong AS

# THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND in LYNDHURST & EMERY DOWN & MINSTEAD

# Baptism of Christ 13<sup>th</sup> January

Welcome to our service today!

If you wish to know more about the activities of our churches, please talk to one of the welcomers, call the Benefice Office (8028 3175), email us benefice@newforestparishes.com

or look us up on Facebook, or the website www.newforestparishes.com

## Today's Services

9.30 am Holy Communion CC (Felicity)
10.30 am Coffee then Morning Worship St M (Maureen)
4.15 pm Discussion Group and Tea AS
6.00 pm Evensong AS

#### Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:

transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,

and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## Today's Readings

Isaiah 43. 1-7 GNB OT 692

The prophet assures the people that they belong to God, who will accompany them through fire and water. The people are precious, honoured and loved in the sight of God, and God will gather them from all corners of the earth.

Acts 8. 14-17 GNB NT 153

The people of Samaria have accepted the word of God and been baptised in the name of Jesus. Peter and John are sent from Jerusalem to lay hands on them, so that they also receive the Holy Spirit.

#### Luke 3. 15-17 21-22

GNB NT 75

When people mistake him for the Messiah, John confronts them, telling them that the more powerful one is coming to baptise them with the Holy Spirit and fire. After Jesus' baptism the heaven opens, the Holy Spirit descends in the form of a dove and the voice from heaven proclaims Jesus as "my Son, the Beloved".

#### Readings

Beginning on the first Sunday in February we will commence a journey together in search of JOY! So, in preparation for this adventure, David asks that you read through the New Testament Letter of St Paul to the Philippians. Reading the whole letter should take no more than 10 mins! Happy Reading!

#### Benefice Taizé Services

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January 6.00 pm St Michael's Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 6.00 pm All Saints Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 6.00 pm Christ Church

## Churches Together Unity Service

will be on Friday, 25th January 2019 at 7.00 pm at the Roman Catholic Church. Although this is short notice please do all you can to attend

## Open Door Café

31<sup>st</sup> January 2.00 pm at All Saints Look out for posters!!

#### Communion boxes

will be available for all Home and Hospital Communion Assistants from the office from the 18<sup>th</sup> January. **Those who haven't completed their training please speak to David to arrange for January.** 

#### **Baptisms**

If you are thinking about Baptisms this year please contact David.

## Bishop Jonathan's Farewell service

is on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 5.30 pm at Winchester Cathedral. David is going if anyone would like a lift.

#### David's contact details:

<u>david.potterton@newforestparishes.com</u> 07468527820. Please remember that David's day off is Monday.

2019 Annual Parochíal Church Meetings Christ Church 24<sup>th</sup> March at noon. All Saints 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00 pm St Michael's 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 pm.

#### Intercessions

In the name of Jesus we pray for healing for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and for those who care for them.

We remember those who have died recently, and pray for their families and friends.

We pray for the schools as they start a new term.

#### This week's Bible Text

After all the people had been baptized, Jesus also was baptized. While he was praying, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit came down upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my own dear Son. I am pleased with you." Luke 3 21.

### The Prayer

Glorious God, You have taken hold of us and made us Your own. In the power of Your Spirit give us grace to press on in Your purposes, loving one another, learning together and living the mission of Him who calls us onwards, Jesus Christ our Lord.