

**UNITED BENEFICE OF LINGFIELD &  
DORMANSLAND  
LINGFIELD PARISH CHURCH**

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**Vicar** - The Revd. Ian Whitley has been appointed. Not yet in residence.

**The Parish Office** will not be staffed, however phone and email contacts are live.

Contact 01342 832021 or [officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com](mailto:officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com).

**Notices for the week commencing Sunday February 7, 2021.**

**Church website** – Our latest information, updated weekly, is also available on our website, see [www.lingfieldparishchurch.org](http://www.lingfieldparishchurch.org). Included is this pewsheet information, and back copies should you wish. Our Churchwardens are sending out frequent links for the many Zoom hosted events, please do join us, there are a range of possibilities for joining on-line services and keeping in contact with each other in these difficult times.



**Sexagesima: Second Sunday Before Lent.**

This old word for the second Sunday before Lent is rarely used now. It denoted 60 days before Easter (approximately). This Sunday is sometimes called Creation Sunday because of the themes of the lectionary readings. In Paul's letter to the Colossians, he tells us that Christ was present at the Creation. *He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creations; for in him all things in heaven and*

*on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. (Coll. 1.15-17).*

That last statement gives us great comfort as we continue to live through this frightening pandemic. Jesus is holding things together and it is good to pause and wonder at the beauty of his creation all around us, like the photo above, taken by Vanessa one recent morning. Richard.

**Appointment of Vicar** - We are pleased to announce that **The Reverend Ian Whitley**, presently Curate at All Saints, Banstead in the Diocese of Guildford, has been appointed **Vicar of Lingfield and Dormansland (United Benefice)**.

The Churchwardens have been advised that the proposed Licensing and Induction service cannot now take place live in church due to the present Government rules. However, tentative arrangements mean the Licensing as Priest-in-Charge by The Rt Revd. Jonathan Clark, Bishop of Croydon will be held on Tuesday February 23 at 7.30pm by Zoom.

Full details will be made available as soon as possible. The Induction process as Vicar cannot be held other than live in our church, so will take place later in the year, when open public services are again permitted.

### **IN-CHURCH SERVICES SUSPENDED**

February 7. Second Sunday before Lent.

10.00am Service on Zoom, Nigel will lead, see links by email.

For private study the scheduled Lectionary readings for today are:-

*Readings:* Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31 (641) Colossians 1: 15-20 (1182)

John 1: 1-14 (1063)

**Collect for the Second Sunday before Lent** – Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. Amen.

**Communal Services held on video link** – Services on Zoom will continue to be held at 10.00am on Sundays, a Compline service on Wednesdays at 8.00pm, and on other occasions such as ‘Chat’ on Tuesday, please follow the emailed links to join, and enjoy. Contact the Churchwardens, see link, if you wish to be included. Again, additional Zoom services may be introduced, so please open your inbox often for details.

## NEXT WEEK AND FUTURE EVENTS

### IN-CHURCH SERVICES SUSPENDED

February 14. Sunday next before Lent.

10.00am

Service on Zoom, see links given by email.

Nigel will lead, see links by email.

For private study the scheduled Lectionary readings for today are:-

*Readings:*      2 Kings 2: 1-12 (369)                      2 Colossians 4: 3-6 (1160)  
Mark 9: 2-9 (1012)

### OTHER INFORMATION.

**Covid-19** – Please use the **NHS Covid-19 app**. A **QR code poster** is on the entrance table just inside the Miller Room. We will continue to use a paper sign-in record, ensuring that we have the information necessary for Track and Trace. Our worship of God and our care for each other continue. The churchwardens of this church can be contacted in an emergency:-

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*“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.”*

**Current Government rules** –The church will be open twice a week for private prayer, as follows: -

- Sunday Feb 7 – 2.00 to 4.00pm - Church representative will be present.
- Wednesday Feb 10 - 2.00 to 4.00pm - Church representative will be present.
- Sunday Feb 14 – 2.00 to 4.00pm - Church representative will be present.

**40 Day Prayer Support for Ian, Kat & Oscar Whitley** – Already distributed but repeated here is part of the 40-day programme of prayer to support Ian and his family as they prepare to join us here in Lingfield and Dormansland, listed suggestions for each day are shown. The 40<sup>th</sup> day will be Ian’s Licensing (Induction at later date).

Day **24**; Feb. 7 – Psalm 24: 1-6 – For right living, clean hands and a pure heart.  
(Second before Lent)

Day **25**; Feb. 8 – Psalm 25: 1-5 – For God’s clear guidance in all decision making.

Day **26**; Feb. 9 – Psalm 26: 1-6 – For humility based on the Grace of God.

Day **27**; Feb. 10 – Psalm 27: 1-4 – For the ability to enhance all worship in God’s house.

Day **28**; Feb. 11 – Psalm 28: 7-9 – For leadership skills and those in leadership roles.

Day **29**; Feb. 12 – Psalm 29: 1-11 – For the ‘words of God’ to encourage and challenge.

Day **30**; Feb. 13 – Psalm 30: 1-3 – For compassion and wisdom when ministering to the sick and bereaved.

Day **31**; Feb. 14 – Psalm 31: 9-14 – For the creation of Godly support and ministry teams. (Sunday next before Lent).

Days **32 – 40** will be printed in subsequent pewsheets.

Saturday February 27 - **Fairtrade Virtual Fabulous Quiz Nite** at 7.30pm on Zoom in aid of the Fairtrade Foundation at £10 per family/group/couple/singleton. Book your place with Gill at [gillwilliams2000@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gillwilliams2000@yahoo.co.uk), 01342 833994 when full details will be provided, a Fairtrade Snack Box/Supper can be delivered to your home. The Virtual Fairtrade Quiz falls in the middle of **Fairtrade Fortnight, 22 February 22 to March 7**, in support of our partners, producers and farmers in the developing world.

New seasonal event – **Fairtrade Easter Cake Bake at Home**. Our Fairtrade Simnel cake will be an ideal Mothering Sunday gift (March 14) or an Easter treat (April 4). Most ingredients will be included in the kit with full instructions (you need a 7” tin, add eggs, flour, butter, lemon zest), cost £12. (*Please note that the kit will not be suitable for those with nut allergies.*) Order by March 1 from Gill ([gillwilliams2000@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gillwilliams2000@yahoo.co.uk)), 01342.833994, for delivery to your doorstep on Friday, March 12. Proceeds to the Fairtrade Foundation.

**Security of our church building** - During this sad period of lockdown when our church is closed and we cannot enter for our services and communicate with each other, we need to be sure everything is safe and secure. If you are out and about for your daily exercise, please walk through the churchyard and around the paths. Observe and report any unusual activity, any open doors/windows, or noises. Report to the police or churchwardens immediately, there should be no work going on at the present time on the building structure.

**The Sick** - Please pray for Brian Bell, Pam Marks, Keith Smith, Sue Page, Jenny Holroyd, Alison Penny, Peter Francis, Victor Alfrey, Josie Davis, Gerald Winter and all whose names have been placed on the prayer board.

**Rest in Peace** - We remember Joan Harvey, Joan Wilson and all those who have died recently. We recall Joyce Bennie and all whose anniversary falls at this time, including others known to us.

**Joan Harvey** – There will be a service (family only) at the crematorium led by Seb, on Thursday March 4. There will be a memorial service in church later, when the family are permitted to travel from Canada, and we are able to enter and meet in our church again.

**Joan Wilson** – Joan was 98 years old. The funeral service will be at the crematorium in early March.

Notices for inclusion in the pewsheet for Sunday February 14 should be phoned to Peter Beynon (834858, or email [plbeynon@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:plbeynon@globalnet.co.uk)) not later than preceding Thursday please.