

January Diary 2009

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Vicar's January jottings

It's odd that while the events of Christmas are rooted in real events, tough decisions, and faith laid on the line, so much of the public face of the season is to do with glitter and fantasy. You may be thinking that it's a bit late to be talking Christmas as New Year is upon us, but while Epiphany connects us with the Magi it also reveals the cruelty of Herod and the flight of Mary, Joseph & Jesus to Egypt as refugees. Nobody said Jesus' mission would be easy and Jesus warned those who chose to follow him that it would be rough at times. I was struck by this comment from Simon Guillebaud in his most recent e-mail from Burundi where he works among "The Lost and the Least" [www.greatlakesoutreach.org]...

*Christians have bumper stickers & catch phrases
Believers have creeds & promises.
Disciples have scars & stories.*

2009 looks as if it will be challenging in many ways and for many people. A picture I had was of the water level getting lower in a reservoir and things becoming revealed that are normally hidden below the water line. I think that points to the way the recession will cause feelings and fears to be revealed as it affects all our lives. I believe that how we respond as Christians - as citizens of a coming Kingdom - will be significant in making Jesus visible this year. The threefold call to Love God, Love our Neighbour and Love One Another will have to be worked out through the Spirit in the light of a world in crisis.

One of my favourite prayers combines three verses from the end of 2Thessalonians, and I offer it for us all in this season.

*May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. ...
May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance. [2Thessalonians 2:16, 17 & 3:5]*

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Date & Day	Time	Details	Venue
3 rd Saturday	8.00am	Prayer Meeting	Holy Trinity Upper Room
4th SUNDAY	9.30am	Family Service	Holy Trinity Church

Church office re-opens after Christmas Break

5 th Monday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
6 th Tuesday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
	8.00pm	Monthly Prayer Meeting	Holy Trinity Church
7 th Wednesday	2.15-3.15pm	Intercessors for Healing	HT Church, via Vestry
	7.30-9.00pm	Lighthouse	Holy Trinity Church Hall
	8.00pm	Wardens Meeting	Trinity House
8 th Thursday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	St Saviour's Church
	1.15-2.45pm	Parent & Toddler Group	Holy Trinity Church & Hall
	12 Noon	'Not so Young'	King's House Coffee Shop
10 th Saturday	8.00am	Prayer Meeting	Holy Trinity Upper Room
	3.30-5.30pm	Messy Church	St Saviour's Church/Hall
11th SUNDAY	9.30am	Hands Free & Baptism of Luke Farrar	Holy Trinity Church
Baptism of Christ	10.30am	Holy Communion	St Saviour's Church
	11.15am	Morning Prayer & Baptism of James Szarvas	Holy Trinity Church
	6.30pm	Evening Worship	Holy Trinity Church

12 th Monday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
	8.00pm	Standing Committee	61 Percheron Drive
13 th Tuesday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
	8.00pm	Men's Curry Club	Khyber Pass, Knaphill
14 th Wednesday	2.15-3.15pm	Intercessors for Healing	HT Church, via Vestry
	7.30-9.00pm	Lighthouse	Holy Trinity Church Hall
15 th Thursday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	St Saviour's Church
	9.45-11.15am	Daytime Alpha, with crèche (1 of 8)	Holy Trinity Coffee Room
	1.15-2.45pm	Parent & Toddler Group	Holy Trinity Church Hall
	12.30-2.30pm	'Lunch with Others'	Brookwood Memorial Halls
	8.00pm	Messy Church meeting	TBC
17 th Saturday	8.00am	Prayer Meeting	Holy Trinity Upper Room

18th SUNDAY	9.30am	Hands Free Holy Communion	Holy Trinity Church
<u>Epiphany 2</u>	10.30am	Inter-gen	St Saviour's Church
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Holy Trinity Church
	6.30pm	Evening Hour	Holy Trinity Church

19 th Monday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
20 th Tuesday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
21 st Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion – <i>Mark 3:13-34</i>	St Saviour's Church
	2.15-3.15pm	Intercessors for Healing	HT Church, via Vestry
	5.30-7.15pm	Youth Alpha (1 of 7)	Holy Trinity Coffee Room
	7.30-9.00pm	Lighthouse	Holy Trinity Church Hall
22 nd Thursday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	St Saviour's Church
	9.45-11.15am	Daytime Alpha, with crèche (2 of 8)	Holy Trinity Coffee Room
	1.15-2.45pm	Parent & Toddler Group	Holy Trinity Church Hall
24 th Saturday	8.00am	Prayer Meeting	Holy Trinity Upper Room

25th SUNDAY	9.30am	Hands Free	Holy Trinity Church
<u>Epiphany 3</u>	10.30am	Morning Service	St Saviour's Church
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	
		& Baptism of Lucy & Emma Bailey	Holy Trinity Church
	6.30pm	Healing Holy Communion	Holy Trinity Church

26 th Monday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
	8.00pm	PCC Meeting	Holy Trinity Coffee Room
27 th Tuesday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity Church
28 th Wednesday	2.15-3.15pm	Intercessors for Healing	HT Church, via Vestry
	5.30-7.15pm	Youth Alpha (2 of 7)	Holy Trinity Coffee Room
	7.30-9.00pm	Lighthouse	Holy Trinity Church Hall
29 th Thursday	8.45am	Morning Prayer	St Saviour's Church
	9.45-11.15am	Daytime Alpha, with crèche (3 of 8)	Holy Trinity Coffee Room
	1.15-2.45pm	Parent & Toddler Group	Holy Trinity Church Hall
31 st Saturday	8.00am	Prayer Meeting	Holy Trinity Upper Room