



Who are you sharing Christmas with?

The Diocese of Guildford have compiled this directory of support available over the Christmas period in Surrey and North East Hampshire. Thank you to all those groups who have shared information about how they are helping to support people at this time of year. Christmas is a busy time of year, celebrating and spending time with family and friends. However, we know that this time of year can be difficult for some people. They may be lonely – separated from family and friends, or vulnerable for other reasons. This resource can be found on our website and will be constantly updated throughout the weeks leading to Christmas

[www.cofeguildford.org.uk/CET/ resources](http://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/CET/resources)

Note for Organisers: We have been advised by one lunch organiser that your local Waitrose may be able to provide support generally for groups who are providing lunch for those who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day.

Other sources of information is <http://communitychristmas.org.uk/> tel 0800 0639285 and www.premier.org.uk/christmasalone which both have a good listing of community events across the UK

Please share the information provided with those who may be on their own at Christmas and with those who may be looking for volunteering opportunities. If you know of another event, or are needing volunteers please do get in touch with us: tel: 01483 790 324 email: cet@cofeguildford.org.uk

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Waverley

Churches Together in Farnham's, Christmas Day Lunch starts at 1.00pm at a new location for this year – The Memorial Hall, West Street, Farnham GU9 7EE. The lunch is for people who live locally and who would otherwise spend Christmas Day on their own. Booking essential.

To book a place please ring before 11th December 2018

Michael McDonnell 01252 712600 or Mariola Boyd 01252 716785

Transport provided if required.

There is no charge for lunch or transport.

Volunteer helpers welcome (especially drivers). To volunteer please ring: Jo Rendall 01252 737162 or email Joanna.rendall@btclick.com

This year, on top of their two Carol services, and regular Sunday services **Alfold & Loxwood Parish** have two very exciting Christmas events:

On the Wednesday 12th December at 7 pm they'll be enjoying an evening singing carols and tasting beer at Firebird Brewery. The evening costs £10 pp, and includes beer tasting and cheese on toast, including a short talk on the real meaning of Christmas. When else do you get to sing carols in a brewery!

On Saturday 15th December at 3.30 pm in Alfold Village Hall, they'll be enjoying 'Messy Christmas'. This is free, and for all the family, involving lots of games and activities, retellings of the Christmas story, and mulled wine & mince pies...

For further details please contact: Church Office tel: 01403 753821
email: alflox.parish.off@btinternet.com

The Baptist Church in Ewhurst following their morning service at 10:30am will be hosting their free Christmas day Celebration meal, 12.15pm for 12.30pm. For more details please contact: Marian Copus by text on 07523768810, leave a message on the Church answerphone 01483 267878 or contact via mcopus@ewhurstbaptistchurch.org.uk
The Street, Ewhurst, Surrey, GU6 7QA

Churches Together in Godalming for many years has organised a Christmas Day Lunch at the **Baptist Church** from 12:30 – 3:30pm for people who would otherwise spend the day on their own and it has proved very popular.

Transport assistance may be possible for Godalming residents.

Volunteers are needed for a variety of roles, preparing food and setting tables on Christmas Eve, providing transport on Christmas Day, helping in the kitchen with serving and washing up, hosting on the day, providing entertainment and to clear away afterwards.

To book for this free event please call: 01483 497842

Godalming Baptist Church, Queen Street, Godalming, GU7 1BA

The Lighthouse Project. 8-10 High Street, Woking, GU21 6BG are hosting a free Christmas Lunch with Entertainment from 9:30am – 3pm All are welcome, to book a place please contact: george@luminaministries.com

As well as their normal Christmas period services **St Mary of Bethany**, on Mount Hermon Road, Woking GU22 7UH, are holding two services which may be of particular interest

9 Dec, 3pm Mencap Carol Service - Particularly for those with learning disabilities, with tea afterwards.

16 Dec, 6.30pm Main Carol Service, followed by mulled wine and mince pies
No need to book, everyone is welcome and it's all free.

For further info please contact: office@stmaryofbethany.org.uk

For full list of Christmas Services : www.stmaryofbethany.org.uk

A Bereavement Group is held at The Spire Café, South Street, Farnham GU9 7QU regularly, the next dates :

Monday December 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th : 3pm – 4.30pm

2nd and 4th Monday of the month: 7pm - 8.30pm,

The Group is free to attend but a donation would be acceptable to help carry on our work. They offer the chance to talk to someone and share your thoughts over a cup of tea. There is no need to book but for enquiries please call: 07999368128

The group is open to any local residents 'anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one or anyone who wants to bring a friend along who is bereaved'

St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh are hosting a number of events over the Christmas period to which you are warmly welcome:

Saturday 15th December 2.30pm – 4.30pm Community Christmas Tree in Cranleigh Band Room. A Traditional English tea, festive food and musical entertainment. For more information and to book please tel: 01483 274376

Monday 17th December 2.30pm – 4.30pm Memory Lane Café – Christmas Special for People with dementia and their carers. Refreshment, friendship, chat and activities.

Tuesday 25th December 1pm – 4.30pm Community Christmas Day Lunch at St Nicolas Parish Church.

Traditional Christmas lunch, carols, presents and entertainment. To book please tel: Church Office 01483 273620



Mole Valley

St Nicolas Church, Great Bookham, run a friendship lunch to be held at 12 noon on Sunday 9th December in St Nicolas Church Pastoral Centre (KT23 3PW). This lunch is a chance for those who would normally eat lunch alone to gather together, and these are held at various points in the year. There is a £5 per head fee which is payable on the door.

Also they hold a coffee morning every Tuesday 10am-12noon (Tuesday coffee will run until December 18th this side of Christmas and then pick up again in the new year) in the Pastoral Centre which is open to all.

All are welcome, more info from our parish office.

tel: 01372 450709 email: office@stnicolasbookham.org.uk

Christmas family fun Saturday 15th December 2pm-4pm Christmas crafts, activities & fun for all ages including a baby play area. There'll be a story time with carol singing and a Café serving seasonal treats. EVERYTHING IS FREE but all children must be accompanied by an adult responsible for their care.

Are you looking forward to Christmas? Or do you dread the thought of Christmas, accompanied by jolly songs, ringing tills, and the expectation that you will have a good time. Does this sound familiar? Maybe your year has been hard – for whatever reason (bereavement, illness, estrangement, worry) – and Christmas seems to highlight the difficulties. Or maybe in an over busy life, you just want space to reflect, recall, regroup. Whatever the reason, whatever the need, you are welcome to join us. We hope that you will find the space and hope which the Christmas story offers. All Saints Church, Little Bookham, KT23 4EL, are holding an alternative 'Blue Christmas' service this year on Thursday 20th December, starting at 7pm. It will be a service of Calm, Time and Space.

Christian Centre – Church Street Dorking RH4 1DW are hosting a Christmas Day lunch once again this year. on Tuesday 25th December from 11.00 onwards Donation of £5.00 per head. Book at the Christian Centre 01306 886830 or email at centremanger@dorkingmethodist.co.uk
Open to anyone who want to book in advance

St Mary's, Fetcham have Coffee mornings throughout the year on the 3rd Thursday of the month, including a Hearing Aid Clinic. In addition they have two community meals planned in the parish during the Christmas period. St Mary's Fetcham Church Hall on Thursday 20th December from 12.00 - 3pm. The Christmas meal is for any local elderly residents, transport may be possible. Please book your place by contacting the Parish Office: 01372 375000

They also welcome around 100 people to their Christmas Lunch, anyone who may be alone on Christmas Day is welcome. The meal is held in Fetcham Village Hall, The Street, Fetcham on Tuesday 25th December from 12.00 - 3.30pm. Transport may be possible. Please book your place by contacting: themeetingroom123@gmail.com or phone : 07413 978422
And finally : Carols @ The Bell, The Street, Fetcham on Sunday 23rd December at 6.30pm. Come and join in, singing carols in the pub in Fetcham. It will be very relaxed and informal, everyone is welcome.



Elmbridge

St Paul's East Molesey have 3 events to which they invite anyone, please contact them to book:

On Tuesday 4th December there is a two course Christmas Community Lunch at 12.30 at St Paul's, in the Parish Room. (Communion Service at 12 midday) costing £5. For more information please contact Judy Lanaway: 020 8979 0014

Christmas Day a Group Christmas Lunch will be held in St Peter's Church. Please contact Ruth and Tony Harris on 020 8398 2247

Tuesday 1st January they are having a Community Ploughman's Lunch at 12.30 in the Parish Room. This will be a FREE meal. For more information please contact Judy Lanaway: 020 8979 0014

All Saints Weston Green Christmas lunch. Their monthly lunch club for the retired will be on Saturday 29th December 11.40am for 12 noon. All retired people in the parish are welcome.

Contact Valerie on 020 8398 1117 to book a place.

They will also running their usual monthly Bereavement Café on New Year's Day (1st January) in the Church Hall between 10.30am and 11.30am. This is a 'drop in' opportunity to meet with others who understand the experience of loss, a space to talk and find support. Refreshments served. Open to all.

St Andrew's Cobham are hosting a Christmas Day Lunch which will be held in Church Gate House at St Andrew's between 1- 4pm on 25th December. There is no cost to attend and the event is open to anyone lonely or in need at Christmas.– the event is generously supported by Waitrose and Cobham Foodbank. People can book by contacting Elaine in the Parish Office parishoffice@standrewscobham.org.uk tel: 01932 867883
Transport to/from the lunch may be available.

St Christopher's, Hinchley Wood, are holding a special Christmas themed lunch for their community on Sunday 2nd December at 12noon. Please ring the parish office on 020 8398 9095 to book a place and to find out more details

Holy Trinity Church, Claygate are hosting several events over the Christmas period, including Connections which is their weekly event for Seniors, running from 10am -11am every Tuesday in the Church. There is a constantly changing range of activities with everything from mini hand massages to craft activities and games as well as special interest tables put together by local guests. All are welcome for home-made cakes and fresh coffee and there is no charge! Please contact the church office if you know of anyone who will be on their own this Christmas and wherever possible they will arrange for them to be invited to a church members' home for Christmas lunch.

Enquiries to Janet Watkins: churchoffice@holytrinityclaygate.org.uk

Holy Trinity Church, Church Road, Claygate KT10 0JP tel: 01372 463603



Woking

Alone on Christmas Day? Come and join others for lunch

Christmas Day Community Lunch at Our Lady Help of Christians, Madeira Road, KT14 6DH , **West Byfleet** starting at 12.30 – 16.00pm. There is no charge. People are welcome to make a small donation. The lunch is for anyone who will be on their own. All get involved in a small way and everyone sits down and eats together.

The lunch starts with welcome drinks, and then continues with a 3 course traditional Christmas Day lunch (vegetarian option available) and tea/ coffee and mince pies . As in previous years there will be some puzzles for those who wish, carols , the Queens speech to listen to and lots of chatting.

Please contact via email christmaslunch@stjohnswestbyfleet.org.uk

Or talk to Jo Pritchard on 07944224707 Transport may be possible

The event is for anyone in the West Byfleet area who will be on their own on Christmas Day.

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In addition to their Christmas services which can be found on their website www.stmaryschurchbyfleet.org.uk **St Mary's Byfleet** are hosting a number of other community events to which everyone is welcome

Thurs 6 th	1.30 pm	Carols at Tesco's
Wed 12 th	10.00 am	Tots Praise in Church
Sun 16 th	4.00 pm	Parish Tea in the Hall
	5.30 pm	Carol Service
Christmas Eve	3.00 pm	Children's Carol Service & lighting of lanterns
	and 4.30 pm	Children's Carol Service & lighting of lanterns

For further details please contact

Revd. John McCabe email: john.h.mccabe@btinternet.com tel: 01932 342374

Open every day of the year, the **Woking Safe Haven** is a cafe-style drop-in centre.

Offering out of hours mental health support to people who may be experiencing or approaching crisis. The informal and friendly venue offers a safe and comfortable space to find help and is open to carers as well. Visitors to the Safe Haven Woking will receive a warm welcome and can talk to professional wellbeing staff, including a Community Psychiatric Nurse who can provide mental health assessments. There is also the support of others with lived experience of mental health crisis. The Safe Haven team will ensure your privacy and dignity at all times. They can support you through your mental health crisis and link you with other services to provide further help.

Seven days a week. 365 days a year.

The Prop, 30 Goldsworth Road, Woking, GU21 6JT

Opening times: Monday - Friday, 6 pm - 11pm

On Christmas Day **Woking Lions** are hosting a traditional lunch for older people who are on their own at the **Moorcroft Centre, Westfield**, GU22 9LY. Guest bookings are essential and transport is generally available. This is a free event but donations are appreciated.

For bookings and enquiries regarding volunteering please contact :
anneroberts3@ntlworld.com tel: 01932 403292



Guildford

FOOTSTEPS drop-in centre is open on Christmas Day in Guildford town centre at Beverley Hall in Haydon Place. Their aim is to help homeless and needy people in and around Guildford. Doors open for soft drinks and mince pies from 10.30 am and serve a meal at 12.30pm, closing at 3pm. There is no need to pre-book. Please note this is for their normal client base who have alcohol, drug and mental issues and some are rough sleepers. Transport is not available; lunch is free and no booking required. Please contact Footsteps for more information

FOOTSTEPS is run solely with the help of volunteers who all give their time free of charge and do not claim any expenses. New volunteers and gifts of food and funding are always welcome. Beverley Hall Community Centre, 71 Haydon Place, Guildford, GU1 4ND email: info@footsteps.org.uk

St John's Church, Stoke Road, Guildford, GU1 1HB have their monthly Outlook Lunch which will be a Christmas Lunch celebration on Weds 5th Dec, for people over 55 years. There is a hearty lunch & a short service in the church. It starts at 12.30pm & costs £3.50 per person and lifts may be possible.

To book or for further information please contact
email: office@stjohnstoke.com or tel: 01483 574562

Jacobs Well Village Hall are hosting a free Christmas Day lunch for the elderly or people on their own from 1pm. Booking is essential so please contact Marta Gaskin email: mgaskin@unigold2000.co.uk tel: 07855 846957
Jacobs Well Road, Jacobs Well, guildford GU4 7PD
Volunteers needed

Dray Court, Guildford: All Saints church, Guildford will be hosting a 'Christmas Carol Service' on Wednesday 19th December, 2.30 pm, at Dray Court (Sheltered Housing for the Elderly), Guildford GU2 7UW. Anyone from the local community is welcome to come along, the service will be led by Revd Beverly Watson, Vicar of All Saints Church, Guildford

Emmanuel Church, Stoughton

Have two regular events which will continue over the Christmas period. A club for retired people every Wednesday from 11am-12.30pm. £1 to cover refreshments etc. You can choose from a variety of activities, like table tennis, crafts, bowls, scrabble pool and triominoes (triangular dominoes) – and even have some armchair exercise! If you'd rather just sit and chat you are welcome to do that too.

Also a Pensioners' Lunch - On the second Monday each month (except August) from 12.30-2.30pm they invite those who are retired to come along for a two course lunch for £4.50. You'll find plenty of people to chat with, good food and a nice relaxing atmosphere to enjoy. Please contact the Parish Office for more details tel: 01483 561603 email: parish.office@emmanuelchurch.co.uk
Emmanuel Church, Emmanuel Church, 1 Shepherds Lane, Guildford, GU2 9SJ

St Lawrence Church, Effingham regularly conduct activities and these will continue over the festive period please check their website as information will be added or contact the parish office for more details: 01372 451697. These will include:

Chatterbox: Tuesdays from 10.30am-12pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays in St Lawrence & on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at All Saints. Contact Catherine Hall on 453183 for further info.

Parish Pint 27th Nov: (for the chaps): 4th Tuesday monthly at the Sir Douglas Haig, Effingham, 12pm. Contact Robert Hall: 453183 or Robert@whestons.co.uk if coming (for catering).

Sunday Breakfast: 9th Dec - Monthly on 2nd Sunday in the Bowdler Room, All Saints' after 8am Communion. Catherine Hall 453183.

Tuesday Tea alternate Tuesdays, in the Catholic Church Hall, Lower Rd, Effingham. From 2.30pm-4pm. A donation of £1 is all that is required. Contact either Gill or Keith Walker on 457987.

Thursday 22nd Nov: Christian Meditation Group: Meets fortnightly, 2.15pm in the Methodist Church, Effingham. Info - Mrs Sylvia Lindsay 457383.

Thursday 22nd Nov: “Connect” Group for carers & partners living with dementia meets fortnightly at 10am-12pm, St Lawrence Church Hall. Contact Gill Walker on 457987.

The **Canterbury Care Centre** (mental health drop in centre) are looking forward to welcoming friends old and new over the Christmas period. No booking required - all welcome. Their Christmas opening is as follows:
Christmas Eve: 24th Dec, 27 Dec, 28 Dec, 31 Dec: 9:30 – 1pm
They are closed on Christmas Day
Food will be available on all of these days along with their usual activities.
The Canterbury Care Centre is in Church House, 23 Waterden Road, Guildford GU1 2AZ. tel: 01483 577020 email: openhandsguildford@gmail.com
www.canterburycarecentre.com

St Michael and All Angels Church, Pirbright have a number of events happening over the Christmas period:
5th Dec: 10.15am Holy Communion service followed by Café Club.
8th Dec. 4pm - Remembering Loved Ones at Christmas service, followed by tea.
9th Dec. 3.15pm – Christingle service, followed by village children’s Christmas party provided free of charge by the Church.
12th Dec. 6.30pm Carol singing around the village, raising money for Crisis, everyone welcome, mulled wine & mince pies at The Vicarage afterwards.
15th Dec. - delivering Christmas goodies to local people in need.
If anyone would like transport to any Christmas services or events, or would like more information please contact one of their churchwardens Catherine Cobley 01483 481234 or Pauline Cannon 01252 326534

Salvation Army Will have their normal drop in on Friday 21st December but not at any other time. They will be closed, apart from this Friday, over the Christmas period.
Woodbridge Road, Guildford GU1 4QQ
email: guildford@salvationarmy.org.uk tel: 01483 506763 or 01483 575 128

Vaughan House in Guildford often have a Christmas meal where they could use some volunteers to help with serving lunch and doing games with residents.
Vaughan House, Supported Housing, 5-7 Chertsey Street, Guildford, GU1 4HD
tel: 01483 504704 email: guildford.hostel@riverside.org.uk

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Christmas at the North Guildford Food Bank

North Guildford Food Bank will be open from 2-4pm on Christmas day, at St Clare's Church Park Barn, for tea, mince pies and company (not to deal with food vouchers,) for anyone who will be on their own.

The Food bank will be open as usual Fridays 21st and 28th December but will not be open on Boxing Day.

Marrow Food Bank will open for emergencies only, by prior arrangement, on Thursday 27th December.

St Michael and All Angels Church, Pirbright are hosting a **Childrens' Christmas Party** with Music, Games, Party Food and a visit from Father Christmas will be held in Lord Pirbright's Hall on Sunday 9th December 2018 from 4.00pm-5.45pm. booking is necessary

<https://www.pirbrightchurch.org.uk/childrenschristmasparty.htm>

And on Saturday 1st December at 10am in the Church Room. Get in the mood for Christmas with mince pies and coffee, a chance to win a beautiful iced Christmas cake and lots of other splendid raffle prizes, and take your pick of the Christmas goods stall. Bring your friends and have a great morning.

All Saints will be hosting a 'Men's Christmas Lunch' on Friday 14th December, 12.30pm at All Saints Church Hall, Vicarage Gate, Onslow Village, Guildford, (GU2 7QJ). The cost is about £15, and the contact person is Richard Pointer (richard@thepointers.plus.com). A Christmas meal is provided by an outside caterer; and there is the opportunity for men from both the church and the local community to get together, for conversation, food and friendship. Most of the men who come are retired, but men of any age are welcome. They are not able to provide transport.

On Saturday 22nd December from 4pm – 6pm, **Christ Church Guildford** Waterden Road, Guildford, GU1 2AZ, are hosting their open to all event: Tea, cake & mince pies followed by the Open Hands annual carol service. A lively, interactive service with traditional carols too!
The event is open to everyone, Accessible to all, especially those with learning disabilities.

St Saviour's Church, Woodbridge Rd, GU1 4QD. Every Saturday host a Saturday Breakfast from 9-10am. Bacon butties, hot drinks & a warm welcome. For the homeless community. Contact via: office@st-saviours.org.uk
Soup Café - St Saviour's Church, Woodbridge Rd, GU1 4QD. Starting on Tuesday evenings from December 11th to end of February from 7-8.30pm, except 25th December. Entrance down steps at rear entrance of church in College Rd. Homemade soup & hot drinks. For the homeless community. Contact via: office@st-saviours.org.uk.
Boxing Day - Beverley Hall, 71 Haydon Place, GU1 4ND - Open from 12 - 2.30pm. Food & hot drinks will be served at no charge. For homeless & lonely people who live locally.

St Mary's , Ash Vale Rd, Gu12 5JE are hosting a number of events for the whole community:

Sun 2nd Dec : Messy Church Christmas –Story, Song and Food for all ages with crafts and activities from 4-6pm (free)

3rd Dec: Youth Lantern Making workshop email debiretallick@googlemail.com to book (£5 cost)

6th Dec: St Nicholas Day Lantern Walk from The Chapel on Wharf Rd at 4:30pm for 5pm start to St Mary's on Vale Rd and finish with a bonfire, story and food.

12th Dec: Chapel Kids Christmas Party – shared lunch after the toddler group at the Chapel on Wharf Rd. 9:30 start, 11:30 food

13th Dec: Christmas Café – with mince pies, all are welcome from 10:15am – 12:15pm



Epsom & Ewell

Churches together in Ewell are hosting a Christmas Day lunch at **Stoneleigh Baptist Church**. 'Together at Christmas' will run from 12.30 – 4.15pm for local residents who might otherwise be on their own on Christmas Day. There is no charge for this lunch, but people do need to book. If you are interested or know of anyone who may be, please contact them at Christmas.dinner@dsl.pipex.com or tel: 020 8397 7307 or 0208 393 3011
This event is Kindly supported by Ewell Rotary Club

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Epsom Methodist Church will be hosting Christmas Day Lunch which is via invitation only to those in the borough (and couples) who would otherwise be on their own on Christmas Day). They rely on local business support for donations of food etc but otherwise the Church fund this event. Transport may be possible, depending on needs but only within the borough of Epsom. We have a limited number of drivers so transport cannot always be guaranteed but they'll do their level best.

Lunch is from 12.30 until 4.00 p.m. With a little light entertainment in the afternoon and possibly a visit from Father Christmas!

To book a place please contact enquiries@epsommethodistchurch.org.uk
Epsom Methodist church tel: 01372 728535

St. George's Christian Centre, Barnett Wood Lane, Ashted, KT21 2DA

Members of St George's congregation are again opening a place at their Christmas table over the festivities. They have their café open on 19th, 20th, 21st December for light lunch's tea & coffee's. Christmas lunches will be served from the 5th December.

They are also running "Evergreen" a Social club for the over 75's, on the 12th December 2.30-4.15

To find out more please contact Jacqui Kershaw (Outreach for the elderly)
Email: jacqui.kershaw@ashtedparish.org tel: 01372 813200



Reigate and Banstead

For many years **St Mark's Church** along with **Banstead Methodist Church** have put on a full Christmas lunch with entertainment for those who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day.

If you would rather not spend Christmas Day alone, why not join with other people in a similar position to you and share the day together at Banstead Methodist Church.

On Christmas morning they will pick you up at your home and take you to Banstead Methodist Church for the Christmas Day service. Afterwards there will be entertainment before the excellent Christmas lunch is served. There will be an opportunity for you to chat to many other people. After watching the Queen's speech, we will take you home with a packed tea and present.

There is no charge for the day.

If you would like to join them or just want more details then please

Email: minister@stmarkschurch.me.uk

At **St Martin's Epsom** will be having the following free events planned over the Christmas period:

17th & 18th December 6pm to 8pm - An Evening of Lights - Lighting of candles for loved ones. Come and light a candle/s in memory of loved ones who have died. This could be any loved one, friend, relative, child, pet or on behalf of someone who cannot get to church who would like to remember someone. All are welcome.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served.

The event will take place in Church with no booking required and no cost

All people from the whole Parish are welcome

On 29th December at 1pm, **St Martin's Church House**, will be hosting their - Beacon Lunch - a 3 course lunch followed by tea and coffee
People from the whole Parish are welcome to attend and bring friends.
The event takes place in Church House and booking is required - contact Linda on 01372 274 995 or Helen on 01372 800 020 No Cost but donations are welcomed to St Martin, Church Street, Epsom, Surrey, KT17 4PX



Surrey Heath

St Peters & St Francis Church, Frimley Green Road, Frimley, GU16 7AQ are hosting a post-Christmas Parish Lunch event for the lonely on Sunday 13th January, For more details please contact the parish office: 01276 27855



Hart

Victoria Community Hall in Hartley Witney RG27 8RE is hosting a Traditional Christmas lunch for people of all ages and any village in the Community hall. To find out more or to book a place please call the number below ideally before Monday 17th December: Chris Cornwell tel: 01252 843251 email: over55forum@yahoo.co.uk
Transport may be possible

Churches Together in Fleet, supported by Fleet Town Council, are organising a lunch for anyone in the Fleet & Church Crookham area who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day. The event runs from 12-4pm at The Harlington, 236 Fleet Road, Fleet. Transport may be possible
Cost is free but attendees must register. If you would like to attend/know someone who would benefit from attending, then please contact: Fleet Town Council, 01252 625246, info@fleet-tc.gov.uk

In the Parish of All Saints Crondall (AS) and St Mary's Ewshot (SM) will be holding the following outreach events:

Wednesday 5th December- Christmas lunch for older people at Squires Garden Centre, Bagshot, 12.30pm, £15 pp, transport available.

Sunday 9th December - Living Nativity, AS 4pm, no charge, 1st century AD dress

Friday 21st December - Tinies and Tots Christmas Music and Fun for preschool children. No booking required. £2 suggested donation

- Crondall Village carol singing. Meet at AS church

For more information re the above please contact the Parish Office on 01252 850379 or email parishoffice@assm.org.uk



East Hampshire

Petersfield Area Churches Together are again hosting a Christmas Day Lunch which will take place from 12:30 to 3:30 pm at the Petersfield Community Centre, Love Lane. GU32 3EB. Transport to and from the Community Centre may be possible. Guest booking is required and Volunteers are needed
For further information, please call Katie Wigley tel: 07547314557
email: pactchristmaslunch@gmail.com



Runnymede

Addlestone – The Salvation Army will be hosting a Christmas Day meal at the Addlestone Community Centre. Coffee & biscuits, a Carol Service, Christmas Lunch and Games will be provided. The event will start from 10.35 am and is open to residents of Runnymede who are home alone, elderly or homeless. Donations on the day

Transport may be available if arranged in advance

Places are limited so please book asap. By contacting Penny Potter
tel: 01932 829678. email: penny.potter@salvationarmy.org.uk

Egham St John's Church the Easter Centre, Manor Farm Lane, Egham (located behind the Church) will be open for a traditional Christmas lunch (dietary requirements can be requested on booking) on Christmas Day between from 12 noon. The lunch is free and open to all, booking is required.

Transport may be possible from local addresses

Contact Lesley Pocock email: lesleypocock@aol.com mob 07833307629 /
please email or phone to book



Rushmoor

On Christmas Day, **St Peter's Church, Farnborough** will be holding a traditional Christmas lunch for anyone who would otherwise be on their own at 12.30pm in the Parish Centre. Transport can be provided if needed and there is no charge.

To book a place contact Elizabeth Lowden on 01252 543081.

St John's Church, Cove are having a Christmas lunch at St John's Hall for those who would otherwise be on their own. The lunch will be served at 1.30 on Christmas Day but people are welcome to meet at 12.00pm. For further information or to book a place please contact Sally Brett on 07555 691218 They also hold regular community lunches in St John's Hall throughout the year for older adults living alone and also their carers . booking is essential: sally_brett@hotmail.co.uk

They also hold Ladies Breakfast Meetings once a month on Saturday mornings alternately at St John's Hall in Cove, Farnborough and Heatherside Community Centre, Camberley.

For more details contact Penny or Ann: Tel: 01252 522960
email: info@womenoftheword.org.uk

The Vine Centre, Aldershot are a Charity serving the local community, this year they are running a buffet on Wednesday 19th Dec 11am-2pm and Christmas lunch on Thursday 20th Dec 11am-2pm.

They welcome visits and they would be very happy to hear from anyone who would like more info about what they do. For either Christmas event, people would need to contact them to book their place 01252 400196

St Mary's Church, Thorpe warmly welcome guest to their events:

On Friday 7th December at 7pm, they are hosting a free Bring and Share Buffet event: Please can guests bring buffet items and drink to share. Guests are invited to bring a present wrapped up for Santa's lucky dip (or £3 donation instead)

The event will be held in the Rutherwyke Room at St Mary's, Church Approach, Thorpe, TW20 8TQ. Cost - free

Booking - Only to confirm numbers email: stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com

A Christmas Party (for over 16's) - bring & share buffet followed by pantomime, games and dancing/music until 10pm. The event is open to residents of the local community as well as the church family - all aged over 16 years.

Transport - email stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com to see if this can be arranged. Car Parking in Church Approach and outside the Vicarage on the red gravel area.