



The world is hungry for hope. Real hope that doesn't disappoint. The Christian faith claims to offer: a joyful expectation for the future, based on true events in the past, which changes everything about my present. Sound too good to be true? Whatever you do or don't believe, **HOPE EXPLORED** is your opportunity to explore, to discuss, to question, to discover. Running in January on Monday nights at 8pm.

Mon 11th – Welcome and interview with Jeremy Marshall.

Mon 18th – Session 1, HOPE.

Mon 25th – Session 2, PEACE.

Mon 1st (Feb) – Session 3, PURPOSE.

Please register yourself, family and friends via the St Nicholas website so we can send you a Zoom invitation.



Rooted (for all of student age) **catch-up/study pray together 8pm Thursday 17 December on Zoom.** Contact Simon Heather for more information and Zoom link.

A St Nicholas Church recording of O Little Town Of Bethlehem will be included in the BBC Radio Kent Carol Service, for broadcast at 5pm on Christmas Eve and repeated on Christmas Day at 1pm. The service will be available for a further 30 days on BBC Sounds following the broadcast.

Creation Care church family winter challenge. Make a simple bird feeder and send us your photos of birds spotted for the website! p_hwilliams@hotmail.com

The church office will be open 9:30am to 2:30pm 21-23 December and will then be closed until Monday 4 January 2021.

The bookshop is now closed (except for collection of orders) and will reopen on Monday 4 January 2021.

VERSE for 2020: *"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better."*
Ephesians 1:17

St Nicholas Church is determined to ensure a safe church culture for all. Abuse of any kind – child abuse, domestic violence, spiritual abuse, and bullying – will not be tolerated. There are people to help you: NSPCC Hotline 0808 800 5000 or Childline 0800 1111. The Diocese of Rochester Safeguarding Officer 01634 560000. Domestic Abuse Volunteer Support Services 01892 570538. Gavin McGrath is our Parish Safeguarding Officer and Ros Collett is Deputy Safeguarding Officer.

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Sunday 20th December

9/11am In person services at St Nicholas - 9am will be livestreamed on [YouTube](#) - Angus MacLeay, Hebrews 2:14-15

9:30/11am In person St Nicholas at Lady Boswell's services: 9:30 will be livestreamed on [YouTube](#) - John Khnana, Luke 2:21-35

6:30pm Festive service of lessons and carols at St Nicholas and livestreamed on [YouTube](#) - Gavin McGrath

Our [website](#), our private [Facebook page](#) for St Nicholas Congregations and our [YouTube Channel](#) will help you stay up to date. Regular church family updates from Angus are distributed via email and made available on the St Nicholas website.

Christmas Services and events: details are now on the website. We will have limited seating availability at both St Nicholas and Lady Boswell's so please make friends and neighbours aware of our booking system which will go live on Monday 14th December for the "ticketed" services 20th – 27th. **Please do not attend in person unless you have reserved a seat - but do join us online.**

Sunday 20 December @ 6:30pm at St Nicholas* – Festive service of lessons & carols

Christmas Eve @ 2:30pm* & 4pm at St Nicholas (**No seat left at 4pm**)

Christmas Eve Midnight Communion @ 11:15pm at St Nicholas

Christmas Day @ 10am at St Nicholas* (**No seats left**) and at Lady Boswell's*

Sunday 27 December @ 10am at St Nicholas* and at Lady Boswell's *

** all these services will be live streamed on our YouTube channels*

Pray for:

Lisa (Jim & Dora Plant's daughter)

Tony Cantrell

Alan & Lynne Marsh

Esme Quinn

Heather Taylor

Lin Weymouth

Andrea Trevenna

Prayer Highlights

Please pray:

- for gospel opportunities over the Christmas period.
- that God will protect Christians around the world as they celebrate Jesus' birth and that God's word will comfort and sustain all who suffer for the gospel.

Our Vision: To know Jesus and make him known locally and globally...so we prayerfully and lovingly proclaim Him in order to ... Reach, Nurture, Equip and Send ... for His Glory.