

ROMSEY DEANERY Prayer Notes, Feb-Apr 2017

NORTH BADDESLEY (North Baddesley, Ampfield, Chilworth)

- Continued success of children's & schools work
- Thanks for the fellowship of the community and church families
- St Denys, Chilworth as they consider their future in a time of change.

BRAISHFIELD BENEFICE

(Awbridge, Braishfield, Farley Chamberlayne, Michelmersh, Timsbury)

- Renewal and development of our worship life
- Growth of discipleship through development of house groups and more opportunities for corporate prayer
- Development of the churches' ministry to children and families
- Building on the relationships with the 2 County Primary Schools and the growth of 'Sparks' after school club at Braishfield
- Continuing to implement the Benefice Mission Action Plan

BROUGHTON (Broughton with Bossington, Houghton, Mottisfont)

- Prayers for us as we enter a time of reflection and conversations regarding possible links with Stockbridge Longstock & Leckford.
- Mottisfont for their growing Messy Church services.

KING'S SOMBORNE

- The Vision Morning and its outcomes
- David Potterton, Tim Sledge and others covering the interregnum
- The work of Messy Church and 'Alive' and the school developing links with young families
- Churches Together and a stronger partnership
- Sandie and David as Churchwardens

LOCKERLEY (Lockerley with East Dean, East & West Tytherley)

- Lent courses, Saturday Lent Lunches (raising money for UNICEF)
- General Synod (13-16 Feb) in London, on which Jay Greene and Rev James Pitkin serve
- Preparation and planning for the Novena and 'Thy Kingdom Come' (25 May – 4 June)

LONGSTOCK, LECKFORD & STOCKBRIDGE

- All those keeping the churches open as places of welcome
- Revd Michael Norton and his ministry during the interregnum
- The pastoral care of the communities
- Pauline, Geoff, Maddie and Dawn as churchwardens

NURSLING with ROWNHAMS

- The right plans and funding for improvements on both churches
- The handover to a new Warden and Deputy Warden at St John's
- Our plans to trial Messy Church, especially the question of venue
- Our two church schools and our work in them, especially with the unexpected need to replace both Headteachers.

ROMSEY

- Rhiannon Wilmott, new Children and Families worker as she begins to develop her ministry
- Jonathan Watkins in his new role in Romsey
- The Tree of Life Café and our ministry with those with Mental Illness
- Wisdom in the next stage of the Abbey Development Project
- The Ecumenical Lent Course and Lent Lunches

WELLOW (East & West Wellow, Sherfield English)

- We need to plan our Lent course for this year and pray for guidance about which is the best time in the week for this.
- We have had several big village funerals in both churches recently and there are also a number of quite seriously ill people in the benefice, so prayers would be valued for worried or grieving families.