

#### Ridley Bear Challenge Everest Appeal In support of the "Fare Share" Charity

"Climb The Stairs With Your Ridley Bears"

Will you help Ridley Bear conquer a virtual climb of Mount Everest?

Ridley Bear alongside the Falconwood uniformed groups and Sunday Club are inviting you to take part in a special lockdown challenge to do a virtual climb of Mount Everest. Starting on Saturday 2nd January 2021

Any money raised will help disadvantaged children supported by the "Fare Share" Charity.

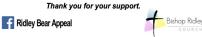
### Our initial target is to raise £250 which will supply 1000 lunchtime meals for children during school holidays.

To join in just climb your stairs at home then let us know how many stair climbs you've completed. We'll add it to the running total and hopefully by working together we'll reach the top of our virtual Mount Everest in a week or so. If you want to make a small donation to the appeal please visit:

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/RidleyBearAppeal

You can also see our photos and follow our progress on the Ridley Bear Facebook page

Ridley Bear Challenge Everest Appeal, c/o Bishop Ridley Church, The Green, Welling DA16 2PG



#### PRACTICAL HELP

If anyone in the congregation at BR should feel the need to isolate themselves while the coronavirus is active but worries about how they could get any shopping, please ring Margaret Robinson on 020 8859 2534 (landline) or



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Read the latest from our Archbishops and Bishops at www.churchofengland.org

Email info@brchurch.org.uk to join our mailing list.

Bexley Coronavirus Helpline 0203 045 5398 - Bexley Voluntary Service Council 0300 302 0056



# Bishop Ridley Church, Falconwood

Sharing the love of Jesus in our community

## Sunday 27th December 2020

1st Sunday of Christmas *A warm welcome to Bishop Ridley Church*!

## The Church is open for Worship

9 am Holy Communion BCP

Rev. Mark will be leading and preaching

### 10:30 am Morning Worship

Jeanne MCcormick will be leading Rev. Mark will be preaching

#### Offertory Envelopes-2021

Please let Neil know if you would like Offertory envelopes for next year. Thanks

### Sunday 27th 10:30 am Bible Readings: Epistle:

Psalm 117 (Rebecca and Grace) Gospel Matthew 2: 1-12 (Emmanuel Tariq)





The family & friends of Joan Rowlan, Gloria Martin, Christine New and Leonard Barnes.
Beverley Smalley & family. Chris Bartlett & family. Shirley Greenow. Brian Beard & family.
Sarah Rogers. Bob Pearce. Geoff Garner.
Norma West. Maureen Kenna. Skye Kavanagh. Pam White. Ruth Wood. John Hockey.

Kim, Jeff, Phoebe and Jesse. Pray for Jeff's final year at Cambridge University.

Bishop Ridley School - please continue to pray for the children, staff and their families. The school really appreciate being remembered in our prayers.

Our Key Workers - those providing essential services whose work is critical to the COVID-19 response - and our Government.

Rev Mark's wife Helene, Cate, Brian, Sian W, Sarah Foot (St John's) and all those working on the frontline during this pandemic.

#### Collect (1st Sunday of Christmas)

Almighty God, Who wonderfully created us in your own image And yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.

#### A prayer for all those affected by coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all If you have any prayers or thoughts that you would like to share on the Facebook group or website, please email them to Karen Freeman at Karenfreeman64 @btinternet.com



#### Supporting the work of the Church during the Pandemic

In line with other organisations, it is preferable that we run on a cashless basis for the present. Therefore, instead of our usual 'offering', we encourage donations by standing order, direct transfer, by card online or via the reader, or by cheque. *Thank you!* 

\* For those who do not or cannot use Gift Aid, we would encourage the use of the card reader to make donations – as we can claim a top up equivalent to tax under the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme on donations up to £30 made this way, even if you don't pay tax.

\* For those who do or can use Gift Aid, we would encourage the use of standing orders or direct transfer to our Cafbank Account - Sort Code 40-52-40, Account 00017060 "Bishop Ridley Church".

The church continues to be alive and active. As well as services, our website and Facebook page contain details of how to join others online for prayer, worship, study, and community life.

Spiritual and pastoral support continues to be available to all parishioners and anyone seeking support or prayers can reach the church by phone or email. You can also send your prayer requests to <u>prayer-requests@brchurch.org.uk</u>

If you would like prayer after the service, please speak to Rev Mark.

Our Vicar Rev Mark and Church Wardens Derek and Pat can be contacted in an emergency by telephoning 020 8303 9998 or emailing info@brchurch.org.uk



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**Daily Hope** offers music, prayers & reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line.

Foodbank website for how you can help www.bexley.foodbank.org.uk

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#### CONTACT DETAILS ⊠

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