Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 24th January 2016
Third Sunday of Epiphany Year C

We welcome any newcomers to the church. It would help us to get to know you if you complete one of the welcome cards from the library at the back of the church and hand it to a sidesperson or a Warden.

Readings
1st : Nehemiah 8. 1 – 3, 5 – 6, 8 – 10
2nd : 1Corinthians 12. 12 – 31a
Gospel : Luke 4. 14 – 21

Collect
God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

We pray for
Our Church PCC

The Parish Moors Close, Colvedene Close and Lower Moors Road

The sick Helen Haig, Jean Farmery, Dawn Rogers, Bev Ralph

The Departed Nicholas Williams

Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time
Roy Small

Events
Today	2.30 pm	Rehearsal of Stainer's Crucifixion at the Methodist Church
	6.00 pm	Evensong
Monday	7.00 pm	PCC
Sun 31st	9.30 am	Parish Eucharist : **Candlemas** The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany Readings for Candlemas 1st : Malachi 3. 1 – 5 2nd : Hebrews 2. 14 – 18 Gospel : Luke 2. 22 – 40
	2.30 pm	Rehearsal of Stainer's Crucifixion at the Methodist Church

Prayer Requests – in addition to passing on concerns directly to the Vicar, there are prayer request cards on the book shelf at the back of the church. They can be left at any time in the box and they will be included in the Vicar's daily prayers for the parish and, when appropriate, include them on the weekly sheet

There are copies of the **readings for the month** at the back of the church. Please feel free to take one home with you, if you would like to.

Please take this notice sheet home with you if you wish, as an aid for your personal prayers during the week or to look up the readings before next Sunday's Service.

Special Charity
During January and February, we shall collect for the Winchester Nightshelter. Please see the Parish magazine for details of the scope of work the charity carries out.
Also, thank you for your continuing donations of non-perishable items to the Nightshelter.

Notices
This morning Peter Lippiett will preach and celebrate the Eucharist; the Vicar will take Evensong
Next Sunday morning the Vicar will celebrate the Parish Eucharist.

The Vicar is collecting last year's palm crosses to make the ash for this year's Benefice Ash Wednesday Service which will take place at 7.30 pm on 10th February at Owslebury.

Visiting Curate.
This coming week, Nick Hutchinson, a curate in his final year from Southampton, will be joining the Benefice to broaden his experience of ministry. He will be finding out about rural and semi-rural ministry, and concluding his time with us by preaching at both Holy Trinity and St Mary's on Sunday. If you see him about, please make yourself known to him. Rev'd Jonah

Lent Course 2016 The Beatitudes
In our Lent course for this year we will be looking at a short passage in the bible from the Gospel of St Matthew, The Beatitudes.
The Beatitudes are a short, but profoundly beautiful and influential collection of sayings by Jesus. They sum up his teaching about what it means to live as a child of God. The course will run over five weeks on the Monday's of Lent, February 15th, 22nd and 29th, March 7th and 14th, with the option of a morning session at Holy Trinity Church Colden Common at 11am or St Mary's Twyford at 7.30pm.

Winchester Cathedral - until 3rd February, the chairs will be removed from the Nave for visitors to get the opportunity to see how this vast Cathedral would have looked in earlier times. Don't forget we have Visitors' passes available. See the poster at the back about the Open Evening on 26th January (5.30 – 8.30 pm). **The Space for Peace Concert** in the Cathedral at 7.15 pm on 27th January will mark Holocaust Day. It is a free event, well worth going to, but there will be a retiring collection.

Richard and Angie are our Village Agents; call them today on 01962 714178 or 01962 712777 or 07788 558739 or email villageagent@ageconcernhampshire.org.uk.

Our next family service will take place on Sunday 7th February, when we shall think about Candlemas and the presentation of Christ in the temple.

If you know of **anyone who is sick or in hospital**, or would like a visit from the Vicar, please pass the information on to the Vicar. It is better to receive the information more than once than not at all.