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If you would like make a donation to the parish our BACS details

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Cheques payable to 'Parish of Okewood and Forest Green'

To donate regularly please join the Parish Giving Scheme, ask the Parish Office for details.

Okewood Church is open every day.

Holy Trinity Forest Green is open every day.

Discipleship Training Available

Sarum College www.sarum.ac.uk **Guildford Diocese** www.cofeguildford.org.uk/for-leaders/formation-and-training/

www.okfg.org

Parish office opening hours Weds, Thurs, Friday 9.30 to 1.00pm

Welcome to The Parish of Okewood and Forest Green

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5: 17

12 October 2025

Trinity 17

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings

Old Testament 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15

New Testament 2 Timothy 2: 8-15

The Gospel Luke 17: 11-19



New Service Schedule

	Ist Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday	5th Sunda
OKEWOOD	I 0.30am All Age service	10.30am Morning Worship	I 0.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Morning Worship	
FOREST GREEN		9.00am Morning Service		6pm Evening Worship	10.30an Joint Holy Comm.

Prayer for Ourselves

Lord, plant me beside streams of living water so my roots draw steady nourishment that produces fruit in season; cultivate patient endurance in my life so routines of prayer, study, and service become the fertile soil of lasting growth rather than quick fixes that fade.

Guard my roots so I grow healthy, strong, and useful for your purposes. Amen.

Prayers

Please include these people in your prayers;

For all those at a turning point or crossroads in their lives.

Okewood Church Prayer Meeting – all welcome, Sundays 9.45-10.15am in the Ark. If you can't make it until 10am that's fine!

We have a 'Listeners' What's App group which we use for sharing prayer points and church information. If you would like to be added to this group, please tell Liz Coleman.

On Monday mornings at 9.30am we gather, remotely, to pray for the people and needs of our Parish. If you would like to be a part of this prayer group, please speak to Liz Coleman. Everyone is welcome to pray with us.

Diary Dates!

Arts Alive Open Day at Amber, Farm Place: Tues 14 Oct, 11-1pm Licensing Service for Peter Nevins: Tues 21 Oct, 7.30pm, Okewood Remembrance Sunday: Sunday 9 November Time to Remember service: Sunday 16 November, 3pm, Okewood 9 Lessons & Carols: Sunday 21 December, 6pm, Forest Green Pavilion Café Wednesday 9.00-12 Ockley Cricket Pavilion

The Parish Office for Okewood and Forest Green is now located in the Vestry at St John the Baptist, Okewood. Office hours will be Wed, Thurs, Friday, 9.30-1pm. The parish office phone number is 07763 772179 and the new email is admin@okfg.org
To contact Ru Harding, please email treasurer@okfg.org

Things didn't go quite to plan for 'The Church Mice' Quiz Team last Thursday, but onwards and upwards to next month, when the quiz will be on Thursday 6 November. All welcome!

Notices

Our services on Sunday 12 October will be 9am Morning Service at Forest Green and 10.30am Morning Worship at Okewood, both led by Revd Sarah Murphy.

Sidesmen – (9am) Libby Daghorn, (10.30am) Shirley Dighton **Reader** – (9am) Matthew Sparkes, (10.30am) Shirley Dighton **Intercessor** – (9am) Sarah Murphy, (10.30am) Eileen Bennett

Our service on Sunday 19 October will be a 10.30am service of Holy Communion at Okewood, led by Revd John Marsh.

The licensing of Revd Dr Peter Nevins to be Priest in Charge of the Parish of Okewood and Forest Green will take place on Tuesday 21 October at 7.30pm in Okewood Church. Everyone is welcome to come. Please let the Parish Office know if you intend to attend.

Would anyone like an Audio Bible on a set of CD's? Please email the parish office if you know of someone who might enjoy these or if you would like to borrow them for a long car journey!

Prayer Triplets. Would anyone like to join a prayer triplet? Prayer triplets involve three people meeting once a fortnight for 45 minutes to share issues and concerns and to pray for each other whatever is going on in your life. If you are interested, please let Sarah or Tom know and we will arrange single sex groups of three. We will let you know who your prayer partners are, and you can arrange between yourselves when to meet. Meeting online to pray works well.

Introduction to Christianity Course. Revd. Sarah Murphy would like to run an Introduction to Christianity course. It lasts for 7 weeks, weekly or fortnightly, and it is designed to introduce the key points of the Christian faith and life. It covers practical issues as well as teaching on Christian belief. It is primarily for people who are new to Christianity, but it can also serve as a useful refresher for those who have been Christians for a while.

If you are interested or want to know more, please contact Sarah

Are you interested in joining a home group? Home Groups are designed for smallish numbers (6-10) to meet for fellowship, sharing, mutual support and prayer. We already have two bible study groups, and a home group would complement these. If you are interested or want to know more, please contact Sarah or Tom Murphy. thomasjp.murphy@gmail.com