

Notices

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- All scheduled lives will be pinned at the top of the page and you can join them by clicking on them at the time that they start.
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- Find the event taking place and click on "More about this event" this will automatically take you straight to the live service on Facebook.

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WELCOME TO ST MARY'S WOODKIRK

 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Leeds

*Engaging with God
Engaging with Each Other
Engaging with the Community*

**19th December/26th December inclusive
Church OPEN**

10.30am Holy Communion

(Service streamed via Facebook live)

Services for next two weeks

Sun 19 th 10.30am	Holy Communion Advent 4 in church and streamed as above
Mon 20 th 9.00am	Morning Prayer streamed as above
Tues 21 st 7.00pm	Blue Christmas - in church and streamed as above
Weds 22 nd 10.00am	Holy Communion - CHURCH OPEN - streamed as above
7.00pm	Advent Reflection streamed as above
Fri 24 th 3.00pm	Christingle Service in church and streamed
5.00pm	Christingle Service in church and streamed
11.30pm	Midnight Mass in church and streamed
Sat 25 th 10.30am	Christmas Holy Communion in Church and streamed as above
Sun 26 th 10.30am	Holy Communion Feast of St Stephen in Church and streamed as above
Weds 29 th 10.00am	No Service but coffee/mince pies in church only

SUNDAY in TWO WEEK'S TIME - Services are as follows:

Sun 2 nd Jan 10.30am	Holy Communion for Epiphany in Church and streamed as above
Readings:	Isaiah 60:1-6 Matthew 2:1-12

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Those who have asked for **prayers for healing:**

Wednesday:

Kevin, Richard, Grace, Lionel, Frank, Nicole, Jerry, Louise, Mark, Sandra, Marion, Brian, Susan, Becci, Emily, Archie

Sunday:

Alan, Mona, Barbara, Cyrene, Malcolm, Audrey, Katherine, Bob, Chris, Jack, Faith, Glynn, Ian

The family and friends of those who have recently died:

Audrey Bourne

And those whose **anniversaries** fall at this time:

Week beginning 19th December:

Michael Mortimer, Harry Haigh

Week beginning 26th December

Kit Michael Granger, Dave Wass

Scripture Readings for the coming week:-

Sunday 19th December – Church Open/streamed as above

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-55

Monday 20th December – Morning Prayer streamed as above

Psalms 46

Matthew 19:1-12

Tuesday 21st December – No Evening Prayer

Psalms 84

2 Peter 1:16-2:3

Weds 22nd December – Holy Communion – CHURCH OPEN and streamed as above

1 Samuel 1:24-end

Luke 1:46-56

Thurs 23rd December – No Night Prayer

Mark 13:35-end

Fri 24th December – No Morning Prayer

Psalms 45

Matthew 23:13-28

While Government Guidelines have only addressed public transport and retail shops for mask wearing, it is only responsible that we now wear our masks throughout the service and only remove them once seated to eat and drink. This will apply to all the Services over Christmas and to Baptism and Funeral Families unless the government introduce new changes or remove the need to wear a mask altogether

Please note the Services that have been cancelled over the next two week period.

Wednesday 5th January – Knit & Natter – 1.00-3.00pm

You are welcome to bring any craft activity – there are people to help you if you are stuck OR simply come for a Natter and a cup of tea. In Parish Centre. See Elaine if you would like to know more.

Thursday 13th January – Young at Heart– 2.00-4.00pm

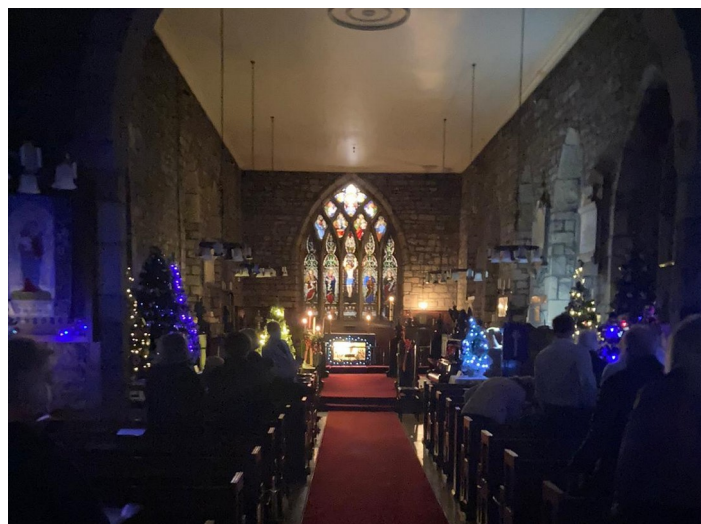
A time to chat and get together – see Sally if you would like to know more.

Advent Reflections

Final Advent Reflection on Wednesday 22nd December at 7.00pm streamed only.

Christmas Tree Festival

This was a good event and well attended. We raised £297.00 on the raffle – so thank you to everyone – the raffle was won by Margaret Wilcox.



Christmas Fair

Thank you to everyone who helped or contributed in any way. Again we had a lot of people passing through and eating lunch. It had a nice atmosphere and we raised a massive £1,045.00.



Carols by Candlelight will take place on Sunday 19th December at 4.00pm. This is a beautiful peaceful and reflective service in candlelight.

Blue Christmas will take place on Tuesday 21st December at 7.00pm. This is a service for those who find Christmas time difficult and have lost loved ones or find themselves in difficulties. It is a service for everyone even if you think it isn't a service for you. Some people came last year and found themselves thinking about memories of long lost grandparents etc and found it surprising that they were touched by this service.

Toy Collection

The toy collection will finish today. Thank you to all who have bought something. All toys will be taken to the Salvation Army on Monday where they will be distributed by them to those children in need.

Advent Gifts to church – Thank you to those who have already donated an advent gift to church. This event will close after the service today.

Baptisms – Thank you to those who have already made a donation to buy a bible for Baptism Services. If you are able to help sponsor a bible then the cost is £12.00 normally but we managed to place an order for 24 bibles at £8.00 each. If you can help sponsor a bible please let me know. Many thanks. Barbara.

Christingle making will take place on Thursday at 10.00am in church – if you would like to help them please just turn up. Fun for children who have washed their hands!!

Christingle Services will take place at 3.00pm and 5.00pm on Christmas Eve – these services are quite relaxed and can be a lot of chaotic fun. Due to Health and Safety this year we will not be lighting individual christingles on the day due to the risk posed by wearing face masks.

Daily Offices – The last morning, evening and night prayer will be on Monday 20th December. They will resume on Monday 3rd January. Thank you to all those who have led them throughout the year and it has been so lovely to integrate new members into our congregation.

On Wednesday 29th December – there will be NO SERVICE, however, church will be open from 10.00am, and we will serve mince pies and drinks etc and I look forward to hearing all about your Christmas'!



Advent Oratorio

Paul Spicer & N.T. Wright

Come, Lord, and cleanse us from our sin;
Your new, glad work in us begin.
Remove our idols from our sight;
Let us in you alone delight.

Prepare us for your coming reign
By washing us from every stain;
Make known to us your holy Name;
Let us no more turn back to shame.

Call us to you from every land,
And guide us with your powerful hand;
Show us the path that we must tread,
Let us by you with joy be led.

Implant your Spirit in our heart,
That, with your Breath, new life may start;
Take from our flesh the heart of stone,
Let us rejoice in you alone.

For your own sake your love display,
That we may worship and obey;
Rebuild the wild and desert place;
Let us acclaim your sovereign grace.

And so it only leaves me to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a blessed and peaceful New Year. May Christ's love shine forth in your lives and his peace live in your hearts

Thank you for all the support you have given, and for all that you have done here at St Mary's. I appreciate each and every one of you.

My prayers are with you - Sharon x