



The Marden Vale Team Ministry

Derry Hill: Christ Church - Foxham: St. John the Baptist - Bremhill: St. Martin
Calne & Blackland: St. Mary the Virgin, Holy Trinity, St. Peter
27th November - Advent Sunday

Services around the Team

- 8am Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10am Parish Eucharist at St Mary's
- 10am All Age communion at St Martin's
- 10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity
- 6pm Evensong at St John the Baptist

Wednesdays: Holy Communion 10am at St Mary's

Next week - Advent 2

- 8am Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10am Parish Eucharist at St Mary's
- 10am Family Service at Holy Trinity
- 10am Said Communion at Christ Church
- 10.30am Family Service at Christ Church
- 12.30pm Baptism at Holy Trinity
- 6pm Zoom Evening Prayer

(Link available from lindac@mardenvale.org.uk)

Diary for November/December

- Tue 29th 5pm DH Standing Committee Meeting
7pm Bible Study Group, Derry Hill (8 Barry Place)
This is the last meeting until January 2023, date tba
- Wed 30th 6pm Meditation at Christ Church, DH
7.30pm Handbells at Christ Church, DH
- Thu 1st 9am Bremhill Standing Cttee
10.30am Coffee&Chat at Christ Church, DH
- Fri 2nd 10am Coffee & Cake at Bremhill Village Hall
2pm Crafternoon at Christ Church, DH
- Mon 5th 7.30pm M.A.S.K Concert at ChristChurch, DH
- Wed 7th 12pm MU P&F Christmas Lunch
6pm Meditation at Christ Church, DH
7.30pm Handbells at Christ Church, DH
- Thu 8th 10.30am Coffee&Chat at Christ Church, DH
11am Funeral at St John the Baptist, Foxham
(T/I Mr David Wilton)
Christmas Decoration, Wreath Making Bremhill VH
- Fri 9th 10am Coffee & Cake at Bremhill Village Hall
2pm Crafternoon at Christ Church, DH
6-8.30pm St Martin's Christmas Fayre, Brook Farm
- Tue 13th 9.15am Rub-A-Dub Nativity at Christ Church, DH

Prayer: Click [here](#) to leave prayer requests or to join the Church of England Daily Prayer

The sick: Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, Liz Kinch, Doreen Williams, Sonia Strange, Margaret Bell, Judy Scott, John Lansdell.

The departed: Roy Diccox, Chris Witchell, Chris Wilson, David Wilton, all who mourn the loss of loved ones; all whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai
Ukrainian Families: Please pray for the families and individuals who are living among us. May they find peace, comfort, friendship and a warm welcome here.

Climate: We pray for all who are affected by the extreme weather conditions

School: We pray for all the children, young people and staff of our local schools.

Vacancy: Please pray for wisdom, guidance and generosity of spirit as we discern the way forward for the Marden Vale Benefice and the appointment of a new Team Rector.

Churches open for private prayer

Bremhill - daily from 9am to 4pm

Derry Hill - Tue-Sat 9am to 4pm, Sundays 12-4pm

Foxham - Sundays 11am-4pm

M.A.S.K. presents
An Evening of Christmas Music
Monday 5th December
Derry Hill Church
7.30pm
Free Admission
Retiring collection in aid of church funds.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION AND WREATH MAKING
THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER
10am-1pm and 2pm to 5pm
(Evening session sold out)
BREMILL VILLAGE HALL
£15 INCLUDING FRAME, FOLIAGE AND REFRESHMENTS
BREMILL VILLAGE HALL
Contact Philippa 01249 815337 dandpstevens@gmail.com

ST MARTIN'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE
FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER
6 pm - 8.30 pm
BROOK FARM, BREMHILL
GIFTS, BULBS, DECORATIONS, FESTIVE FOOD, FLOWERS, CANDLES, SEWN ITEMS, CARDS, RAFFLE AND MUCH MORE.
MULLED WINE, MINCE PIES AND HOT DOGS!
COME AND ENJOY A RELAXING EVENING FULL OF CHRISTMAS CHEER!

This Advent, Bishop Stephen has asked everyone in the diocese to pray together a simple prayer...Bishop Stephen says: "In this time of so many challenges and so much change, I am committing myself to prayer each day. I hope you will join me, at home, at school or at church in saying these simple prayers. By prayer, we are bringing into this time of darkness the light of Christ."

An Advent Prayer for the Diocese

Faithful God,
your world is full of fear.
Hunger, cold, and loneliness are all around.
Your children are hurting.
Into our darkness comes the child of Bethlehem
Jesus, the light who cannot be overcome.
He is with us always.
He speaks words of hope and words of truth.
May his Spirit fill our hearts this Advent
and awaken us to your purposes:
making us generous in giving,
active in serving,
and alert to your reign of justice,
mercy, and peace,
which he calls us to bring to birth -
here, and now.
Amen.



O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
[Listen here](#)

[This video](#) of the prayer uses British sign Language and is suitable for all ages

Readings for Advent Sunday

Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'
Our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem—built as a city
that is bound firmly together.
To it the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord,
as was decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
For there the thrones for judgement were set up,
the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
'May they prosper who love you.
Peace be within your walls,
and security within your towers.'
For the sake of my relatives and friends
I will say, 'Peace be within you.'
For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek your good.

Isaiah 2:1-5

In days to come
the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

Romans 13:11-end

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Matthew 24:36-44

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'



Giving

Find out how to support your local church on our [Giving](#) page. QR Codes available in church.

Calne Food Bank

Open 12pm-4pm Mon & Fri, 10am-1pm Wed
4A Mill Street, Calne, SN11 8DP
www.calnefoodbank.co.uk
calnefoodbank@gmail.com

Crafternoon every Friday 2-4pm Christ Church, Derry Hill

£3 a session (Tea and coffee included) All abilities welcome

Contact Christine 817780, Liz 812138 or Marcia 820196

DEC (Disaster Emergencies Committee) Appeals

Click [here](#) to donate Afghanistan Crisis Appeal Click [here](#) to donate to Pakistan Floods Appeal

Support Ukraine

More information from the Church of England and Salisbury Diocese about how you can help is available [here](#)

Keeping in touch

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