

# TEAM & COMMUNITY NEWS

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**St Peter's Church** will be open **daily from 10.00 - 4.00.**

**Each Sunday - BCP Holy Communion 9am and Holy Communion at 10.30am**

**From Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January the 10am Eucharist will be resumed**

## **St Mary's Church**

Our usual Sunday services are at **8am & 9.45am** ,  
**Please continue to book all services with Trudy Tabone**  
[trtabone@gmail.com](mailto:trtabone@gmail.com)

Our mid week Eucharist is at 9.30am Wednesday (no need to be booked).  
**Meditation group on Wednesdays at 5pm.**

Many thanks to all who helped to make St Mary's look so lovely for the Christmas services.

***Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful New Year***

## **St George's Church**

Our private worship for St Georges: **Wednesdays 8.30am-4pm.**

**BCP 8am on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.**

**Communion service: 9.45am every Sunday**

**Next Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> January** the licensing of Rev'd Cora Yarren takes place at 3pm. We welcome Cora to St George's.

## **St Andrew's Church**

**Sunday 3rd January Holy Communion 11.15am**

**Sunday 10th January Morning Prayer 11.15am**

The Church will continue to be open on Wednesdays from 10am until 4pm

***Wishing everyone a peaceful and healthy New Year.***

## **St Simon and St Jude, Winterbourne Monkton**

The church is open 10-4pm Saturday & Sunday only.

Holy Communion service on the first Sunday of the month at 11.15am

**This Sunday we celebrate Plough Sunday.**

**A Virtual service from the Winterbournes at 10am using ZOOM**

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# Pews News

## 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2021

### Epiphany



*The Adoration of the Magi (oil on panel) by Jordaens, Jacob (1593-1678);  
Musee d'Art Thomas Henry, Cherbourg, France;*

### Collect

O God,  
who by the leading of a star  
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:  
mercifully grant that we,  
who know you now by faith,  
may at last behold your glory face to face;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Readings

**Epiphany** Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

**Baptism of Christ:** Acts 19.1-7; Mark 1; 4-11

## A Reflection for Epiphany

*Rev. Mike Stear*

Thrilling! A cause of wonder! A challenge! Shepherds and wisemen alike, drawn to the Lord Jesus Christ. Total opposites, Jew and Gentile, poor and rich, lowest of the low and those held in high esteem. Both groups come in faith and worship him as a result of God's revelation; shepherds startled by angels and wisemen alerted by a star, and both because of some knowledge of our Old Testament scriptures.

God has made himself known through his self-revelation, through creation, through his Word and actions and supremely through Jesus. "No-one has ever seen God, but God the Only Begotten Son who is at the Father's side, has made him known." John 1:18.

It's wonderful to see God reveal himself through the work of the Holy Spirit today. I think of Sue and Alex who turned up at a church where I was vicar, searching. Week after week they would tell me with excitement what they had learned of Jesus through reading the Bible for the first time. The impact in their lives was clearly visible. I think of Claude, a mechanic with his one man garage, and Barrie, a professor of statistics. Chalk and cheese! Both lay readers (LLMs today). Both great preachers. All four people drawn into their relationship with God through our Lord Jesus Christ as he revealed himself to them by his Word and Spirit.

God revealing himself to shepherds and wisemen is his very nature as the God of mission to all people and peoples. God calls us afresh at the start of a particularly uncertain year, with new strains of Covid and a new relationship with the EU, to share in his work of making himself known to people of all backgrounds, "from every tribe and language and people and nation." Revelation 5:9.

Lord, may we delight to be partners with you. Amen

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Among those in special need: Anne Hill with Sarah Jane & Pollyanna, Roy Chapman, Phoebe, Rev'd Andrew Mackenzie, Julian Cherrysen, Abigail Craddock, Jean Baker, Johanna Benjafield, Christine Peake, Emma Foxwell, David Dunford, Linda Blundell, Brenda Knight, Tom Goss, Marion Tait, Hugo Lord, Brianna & Braxton. (*To add or remove names in this list, please contact: Canon John Wood 01305 268749*)

*Remember also all who are cared for by Dorset County Hospital, in our community hospitals and hospice and all who are caring for them and working to address their needs; especially pray for all who are suffering from or are affected by COVID-19, and those working to develop identification, treatment and cure.*

**Among those who have recently died:**, Ann Silver, Pam Wheatley  
June Bryning, Betty Twitchen, Tony Palmer

### **Remember those whose Year's Mind falls this week:**

Mike Frampton, Sheila Smith, Ros Swaffield, Terry Whitfield, Gladys Jacknell, Margaret Bindon, John Sleven, Roy Killham, David Beeks, Mary White.

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The licencing of Rev'd Cora Yarrien will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 3pm with the Bishop of Sherborne at St George's Church. The service will be on 'zoom', the link will be issued in next week's Pews News.

**The challenge – to do 12 walks in 12 months** - Ruth Magee has organised a series of walks for 2021 in aid of the **Alzheimer's Society**, each church has a poster and leaflets. If you enjoy walking please contact Ruth Mobile: 07984 621132

**The Monday Club** will not be meeting during January. Further information will be given at a later date.

Wishing you all a happy and peaceful 2021

Take Care

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