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Shaped, trusting, growing in Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit

Sundays 21st & 28th January 2024 Third & Fourth Sundays of Epiphany

St Mary's Twyford;		St Nicholas' Hurst	
21st Jan	Holy Communion (John Boylan)	21st Jan	Holy Communion (Revd Marina Brain)
10.30am	Revelation 19:6-10 Mark 1:14-20	11.00am	Revelation 19:6-10 John 2:1-11
25th Jan	Midweek Communion		
10.30am	St Mary's Church Centre		
28th Jan	LEP Service (Hans Gutmann)	28th Jan	Messy Church
10.30am	Deuteronomy 18:15-20 and Mark 1:21-28	11.00am	- Church
St James' Ruscombe		Twyford U.R.C.	
21st Jan	Morning Prayer (John Boylan)	21st Jan	Holy Communion (Gordon Connell)
9.00am	Revelation 19:6-10 Mark 1:14-20	10.30am	Luke 3:12-14 Ephesians 6:5-9 James 2:14-26
28th Jan	Holy Communion (Revd Graham Theobald)	28th Jan	No Service (LEP Service at St Mary's)
9.00am	Revelation 12:1-5a Mark 1:21-28	10.30am	



Church Family News

AT THE TIME OF COMPILING THIS NEWSLETTER, WE HAVE NO VOLUNTEER TO OPERATE EASYWORSHIP THIS SUNDAY! Please consider helping us out just one Sunday per month so that we won't need to return to paper service booklets at St Mary's.



OVER 60s CLUB: On Wednesday 24th January from 2-4pm, Alan Dodds will be entertaining everyone by performing a selection of songs. There will also be refreshments and a raffle. Come to St Mary's Church Centre at 1.45pm. All over 60s are welcome!

4 x 4 ADVENTURES: Don't forget to reserve a space on our next adventure sessions: Mondays 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th February from 7.45 to 9.15pm in the upstairs Stephenson Room at St Mary's Church Centre. Please contact Helen if you are interested <u>helen@thru-christ.org.uk</u>.

COME AND SEE: More adventures in faith are available from the Diocese of Oxford's excellent Lent series which is free of charge and open to everyone, whether you are exploring faith for the first time or have an established faith. This year's theme is **The Way of Love** (Luke 10:27). Everyone who registers will receive a daily reflection by email and a weekly video from Bishop Steven. More information and registration (including resources for families) is available at <u>oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see</u>.



This is the fourth year these have taken place and 'super fan' Emma Walton has joined in each year. She says "I like the podcasts and listen to stories and I like the videos as well and it is very enjoyed it so much. I learn about Jesus every day".



We pray for all who are ill and in need of God's healing, in particular:

Steven, Chris, Lizzy, Hope, Eldred, Ted, Peter, Paul, Joan, Clara, Sharon, John, Tony and Anne.

Please email or ring the church office to be included.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friendship Club: Tuesday 16th January 1.45pm at the URC - History of Henley (Graham Horn).

Over 60s Club: Wednesday 24th January 1.45pm at St Mary's Church Centre - Alan Dodds Sings.

Midweek Communion: Thursday 25th January 10.30am at St Mary's Church Centre.

LEP Church Members Meeting: Sunday 28th January 12.00 at St Mary's Church Centre (after the LEP service).

Post Christmas Meal: Sunday 4th February 12.30pm at Twyford URC. Let Linda know by 1st February please.

4x4 Adventures: Monday February 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th from 7.45-9.15pm at St Mary's Church Centre.

ZOOM: We have 2 regular weekly zoom events: Tuesday 9.30am Morning Prayer and Sunday 6pm Village Prayers. Please use the link in the weekly email or contact the church office for more information.

ADDITIONAL EVENTS AND NEWS: Please email <u>office@thru-christ.org.uk</u> if you have any church events, clubs or notices that you would like to be included in this news sheet or would like to promote your group etc.

Next Week: Sunday 4th February - Candlemas			
St Mary's Twyford	St Nicholas' Hurst		
10.30am Family Service	11.00am Holy Communion		
St James' Ruscombe	Twyford U.R.C.		
9.00am No Service	10.30am Morning Service		

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Lord God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, understood people's fear and pain before they spoke of them, we pray for those in hospital; surround the frightened with your tenderness; give strength to those in pain; hold the weak in your arms of love, and give hope and patience to those who are recovering; we ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen