Please send any notices, news or events for the Pew Sheet by noon on Wednesday, thank you.

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The Parish of St Mary, Richmond with Hudswell

Sunday 22nd December 2024 4th Sunday of Advent

All are welcome at St. Mary's Church

You are welcome to attend services in person, online or by dialling in. The church is open daily for private prayer, 9am–dusk.

Sunday 22nd December (4th Sunday of Advent)

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Communion

Readings Micah 5: 2-5a, Hebrews 10: 5-10, Luke 1: 39-45

Hymns CP26, 362, Beauty for brokenness,

The Lord's my Shepherd (Townend), Longing for Light

6.30pm The Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Tuesday 24th December, Christmas Eve

4.00pm The Crib Service 11.30pm Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December, Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Christmas Communion



No 10.30am service at Holy Trinity on Thursday 26th December

Sunday 29th December (1st Sunday of Christmas)

8.00am Holy Communion10.00am Parish Communion

Readings: 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26, Colossians 3:12-17, Luke 2:41-52

Hymns: HON229, CP44, 67, 55, 53

No 9.15 service at St Mary's on Wednesday 1st January

Thursday 2nd January

10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Chapel

Sunday 5th January (Epiphany)

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Communion

Our financial viability depends on us! To support the work of our church please make a donation as you enter or leave the church (cash or card), or click here: Richmond with Hudswell PCC | Stewardship Thank you.

To join our Planned Giving scheme please see the website 'Giving' page.

To find out more about the **Parish Giving Scheme** see:



PRAYER REQUESTS

Within your daily prayers please remember:

those in **special need** of prayer:

Claire, Mavis Dozey, Mark Whyman

those in need of ongoing prayer:

Christine, Edna, Frank, Graham, Hilary, Sara, Steve Anwell, Elizabeth Bassindale, Cliff Bilbrough, Eddie Burrell, Jackie Dyer, John Earnshaw, Margaret Emmerson, George Metcalfe, Jean Simmons, Philip Welch, Pamela Wheatley, Anne Whyman

those who mourn as we give thanks for the life of: Olive Harrison, Bob Woodings, Rod Isaac

and those we know whose **anniversary** falls during this period. 20th John Blenkiron (snr), 29th Lewis Harrisson, 6th Jan Doreen Rucroft

Book of Remembrance If you would like the name of a loved one to be entered in this book, please contact Colin Hicks.

St Mary's Prayer Circle

The Prayer Circle is an email-based anonymous group of church members who commit to pray when specific requests are made, usually for named people. These can be relatives, friends, acquaintances who don't have to live in the area, but would appreciate confidential prayer. To make a prayer request please contact *Anna:* boyceadl11@gmail.com

Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, Tonight! Sun 22nd Dec 6.30pm Do join us for our celebration of the season in our service of Nine Lessons and Carols. If you would like to sing, there will be a rehearsal from 4.45pm to 6pm. You are welcome to join with the choir, just let Colin know.

Most of the music will be well known even to the occasional singer so please join us either as a singer or a member of the congregation.

The December Charity of the Month is Church Mission Society

CMS is an Anglican mission agency connecting with people at the edges: the edges of church, of society, of our comfort zones.



CMS is always looking for others to

join them at edges near and far, to help share God's love in creative ways, person-by-person, community-by-community.

CMS connects people with a heart for the edges so they can work together. Often this takes the form of cross-cultural hubs, or pockets of people from Western and non-Western backgrounds teaming up to bring change in a specific edge-based context.

CMS also trains people for ground-breaking, transformational and sustainable mission in the UK and overseas.

CMS also helps to equip churches to look around, see what God is doing among people at the edges within their communities and join in. For more information, please visit: www.churchmissionsociety.org

Christian Aid Christmas Card Appeal

As in previous years, please would you consider placing one card at the back of church for all your friends at St Mary's and donating to **Christian Aid** the money you would have spent on sending individual cards.

Donations given to Judith Barber, David Frankton, Peter Trewby, Wendy Pritchard, Lorna or Martin will be forwarded to Christian Aid after Christmas.

Junior Church at the Methodist Church

The 3rd Sunday of the month (starting on the 19th January) we will be joining forces with the Methodist Church for Junior Church! All youngsters are welcome, and any grown up helpers will be very welcomed too!

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: Christians Together 'Agape Meal' Please put Wednesday 22nd January at 7pm in your diary! This year, it will be our turn to host, and the Catholic Church have kindly offered us the use of their Hall. All are welcome as the churches of Richmond gather for fellowship and to 'break bread' together.

Thank you A heartfelt thank you to Martin, Lorna and all of our 'retired' clergy team for all their hard work this year It is much appreciated by all of the congregation and those in the wider community who they serve. We all look forward to working with them in the coming year to further the work and ministry of this church in our town and beyond.