

KELVEDON & FEERING CHURCHES NEWSLETTER WITH COPFORD & EASTHORPE

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2025 - SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2025

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& Feering Website](#)

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Services for Sunday 7th December The Second Sunday of Advent

8.00 a.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Said Holy Communion (1662 Prayer Book)
10.00 a.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Worship for All Service Among the Trees (Non-Communion)
5.00 p.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Christmas Tree Festival Closing Service

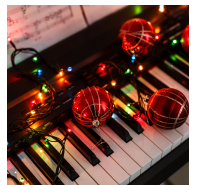
***All of the Sunday Services are being taken by Simon Garwood**

News from our four Churches...

WHAT CAN I DO THIS WEEKEND?

Friday 5th December 7 p.m. The Great Christmas Tree Festival Switch On

Join us for the 'switch' on with mulled wine & mince pies while listening to carols sung by the fabulous St Mary's Choir.



Saturday 6th December - Sunday 7th December 11 a.m - 5 p.m. - St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival - in its 16th year and counting, the Christmas Tree Festival is a wonderful sight to behold. The tasty festive refreshments on offer are not to be missed either! Further information below.

Sunday 7th December 4 p.m. - 6 p.m - St Mary's, Easthorpe Christmas Concert performed by The Seventh Day Adventist Music Group. Festive refreshments served.



ST MARY'S KELVEDON, CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL SATURDAY 6TH - SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER 11 A.M. - 5 P.M.

This is the weekend of our Christmas Tree Festival!

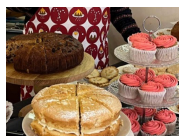
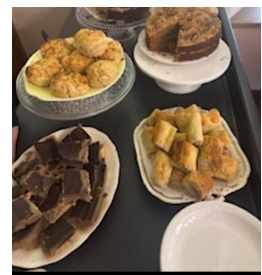
Join us on **Friday night at 7 p.m** for the '**Switch On**' with mulled wine and mince pies, and festive songs by the Church Choir before viewing over 40 beautifully decorated trees from businesses, organisations and individuals.

The Festival runs both Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. We have home-made refreshments to enjoy, Christmas stalls, an Angel Hunt for children and Santa in his grotto. In addition on **Saturday**, we have the **Terling Handbell Ringers playing at 1.30 p.m**, **St Mary's Academy Choir will sing at 2 p.m.** and the **East Anglian Single Reed Choir play at 3 p.m.**

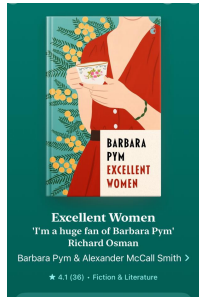
On **Sunday** the **Feering Singers will join us mid-afternoon** before our **closing service at 5 p.m.** Do come along and support this community event raising funds for St Mary's Church and the Alzheimer's Society.

ST MARY'S KELVEDON, WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

A big thank you to George Bell who helped us create beautiful wreaths whilst raising £535 for Church Funds. A good time was had by all and lots of promises to come again next year.



ST MARY'S BOOK CLUB



Last week we gave a strong endorsement to 'Excellent Women' by Barbara Pym (marking it 8's & 9's). After the murders in 'Blackwater' , it was a relief to enter Pym's world of 1950's High Church Anglicanism of which she is a master observer. Minute details of character interaction, food, clothing and humour makes her a worthy successor to Jane Austen. We meet again on 27th January in the Church Rooms at 730 pm. January's book is 'The Mysterious Bakery on Rue de Paris' by Evie Woods.



- Robert Lines

ADVENT PROCESSION AT ALL SAINTS', FULHAM

Janet , Nikki, Steve and I, journeyed to All Saints Fulham on Advent Sunday for this wonderful service in candlelight. The choir were sensational singing traditional carols arranged by David Willcocks and supplemented by Howells , Imogen Holst , Bach and Rutter. Readings from scripture alternated with poems (chosen by Natasha) by Anne Lewin , Gerard Manley Hopkins and R S Thomas. It was a delight to see her and receive such a warm welcome, helped by wine , whisky and shortbread afterwards! - Robert Lines



CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS ACROSS ALL FOUR CHURCHES

We have produced a leaflet listing all of the services and events across our four Churches this Christmas. Paper copies will be available in all of the Churches in our Cluster. If you would like to receive this leaflet by email please contact [Fleur](#). Information regarding all of these events will also be in this weekly Newsletter.



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR DONATIONS FOR THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

This Advent season, in conjunction with the Children's Society, St Mary's Kelvedon are asking if you could pick up an extra item or two when you shop to aid young people. Sealable bags are available at the back of St Mary's or you can use your own. Suggestions for donations are Hand Cream, Period Pants, Bath/Shower Gel, Shampoo, Tooth Brushes, Toothpaste, Fidget Toys, Face Masks, Cotton Wool Pads, Bath Bombs, Hair Brushes and Pens. Please return bags before Christmas Eve. Thank you for your support.

- Geraldine Kennedy



CHRISTMAS FOOD BANK CONTRIBUTIONS

At this time of year, we like to give our clients some festive treats. We would really welcome donations of Christmas Cake, Mince Pies and Tinned Ham. . We already have Advent Calendars and we would be grateful if all items have a shelf-life until at least the end of December, preferably January or later. **Items must not contain any alcohol. Christmas Donations need to be received in church(es) by Sunday 14th December** for distribution before Christmas. Thank you so much for your generosity. It really makes a difference.



From the normal shopping list, the Foodbank would be grateful for donations of Handwash/Bars of Soap, Shampoo and Washing-up Liquid. - Thank you.

Information for the Kelvedon & Feering website should be sent to [Sarah](#), whilst information for the Copford Website, Easthorpe ACNY page or this Newsletter should be sent to [Fleur](#) by Tuesday 5 p.m. If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please tell [Fleur](#).



Church Diary at a glance..

Week of Sunday 7th December & Future Events			
Saturday 6th - Sunday 7th December @ 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Christmas Tree Festival	
Sunday 7th December @ 8 a.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Said Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)	
Sunday 7th December @ 10 a.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Worship for All Service Among the Trees	
Sunday 7th December @ 5 p.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Christmas Tree Festival Closing Service	
Sunday 7th December 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.	St Mary's, Easthorpe	Christmas Concert	
Wednesday 10th December @ 9.30 a.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Teddy Bear Club	
Wednesday 10th December @ 10.00 a.m.	St Michael & All Angels, Copford	Christmas Coffee Morning	
Wednesday 10th December @ 4.30 p.m.	St Mary's Church Rooms, Kelvedon	Junior Christian Club	
Thursday 11th December @ 8.30 a.m.	St Mary's, Kelvedon	Morning Prayer with Simon	
Sunday 14th December @ 10.00 a.m.	All Saints', Feering	Holy Communion Service for Kelvedon & Feering	
Sunday 14th December @ 4.00 p.m.	All Saints', Feering	Christingle Service in aid of the Children Society	
Sunday 14th December @ 6.00 p.m.	St Michael & All Angels, Copford	Carols by Candlelight	