

Gospel Reading (Continued)

²¹ Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. ²² But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. ²³ There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, 'He will be called a Nazarean.'

CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other)

Cameo meets for Bible Study on Wednesdays at The Church of The Holy Spirit, at 10.30am. There is no meeting this week but will start again on 7th January 2026.

St. Mary's Saturday Club

The Saturday Roboteers Club will start again on Saturday 10th January, at 1.30pm in St. Mary's Church Hall.

Term dates are:

Saturday 10th January 2026 1.30pm – 4.30pm, running all the way through to Saturday 28th March 2026 (and will run over the half term).

Dates after March 2026 will be confirmed in the new year.

The link for newcomers to book a place on the Club website is. <http://bit.ly/3APjcM1>

If you have any ideas that could help improve the club, or if you have any questions, please contact Stephen Cain via codeandpi@gmail.com Looking forward to seeing you.

Contactless Giving

A card reader is at the back of St. Mary's Church, for contactless card payments to Church funds. You can select one of the pre-set amounts, or you can select the exact amount you wish to donate. **Please select the Gift Aid option if you are a UK Taxpayer.** You can then select 'all future donations' so you only have to do this once. Please see Phil, Andy or Susanne if you have any questions or issues with using it.

Used Stamp Collection

Please let Angela Chandler have your used stamps for 'The Society for Distributing Hebrew Scriptures'. Please leave them, with a border of the envelope around them to prevent any damage to the stamp. There is a container at the back of St. Mary's Church. Thank you.

Organ Tuning

The organ at St. Mary's will need tuning in time for Christmas, and will cost £150 + VAT. We have received some very generous donations which have exceeded the expected cost. The excess money will be placed in the Choir Fund for future organ and Piano tuning costs.

Christmas Draw

Thanks to Jill Parry for organising the Christmas draw, in aid of St. Mary's Church funds. It made over **£500!** Thank you to everyone who bought or sold tickets, or donated prizes.

Planned Giving Envelopes

The new planned giving envelopes are at the back of St. Mary's Church, ready for you to collect. If you can't remember your number, please speak to Val Howell, or email mickhow@yahoo.co.uk

Services in the New Year

Services return to normal next week with Holy Communion at 9.15am at St. Mary's and All Age Worship at 11am at The Church of The Holy Spirit. Celtic Prayer is at 6.30pm at St. Mary's.

Christmas Wordsearch

Can you find the following 15 words from this morning's Gospel Reading?

Angel Appeared Archelaus Bethlehem Children Egypt Galilee Herod Israel Joseph Lamentation Lord Prophet Rachel Tricked

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