

Welcome to The Marden Vale Team Ministry

(Christ Church, Derry Hill; Holy Trinity, Quemerford;
St. John the Baptist, Foxham; St. Martin, Bremhill;
St. Mary the Virgin, Calne; and St. Peter, Blacklands.)

21 December 2025 – Advent 4 (Purple)

Services around the Benefice 08:00 St Mary's Holy Communion 10:00 St Mary's Holy Communion 10:00 Holy Trinity Family Carol Service 11:00 Christ Church - NO SERVICE 15:00 St Peter's Carol Service 16:00 Christ Church Carol Service 18:00 St John the Baptist Carol Service 18:00 St Martin's Carol Service 18:00 St Mary's Carol Service	Sunday 28 December 2025 Christmas I (White) 08:00 St Mary's Holy Communion 10:00 Holy Trinity Holy Communion Readings: Jeremiah 31.15-17 1 Corinthians 1.26-29 Matthew 2.13-18
Today's Collect: Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.	
Post Communion Collect: Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.	

<u>Wednesday 24 December - Christmas Eve - Gold or White</u> No 10:00 mid-week service at St Mary's today Christ Church Derry Hill 15:00 Carols and Crib St Mary's 16:00 Crib Service Bowood Chapel 18:00 Carol Service St Martin's Bremhill 21:00 Midnight Mass St Mary's 23:00 Midnight Mass Readings: Isaiah 52.7-10 Hebrews 1.1-4 John 1.1-14 ----- <u>Wednesday 25 December - Christmas Day – Gold or White</u> St John the Baptist Foxham 09:30 Family Communion St Peter's Blackland 09:30 Holy Communion (BCP) St Mary's 10:00 Family Communion St Martin's Bremhill 11:00 Family Communion Christ Church Derry Hill 11:00 Family Communion Readings: Isaiah 9.2-7 Titus 2.11-14 Luke 2.1-14
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Collect for 28 December God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ.
Post Communion collect Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please note that the Office in Church House will be closed from 12:00 on Wednesday 24 December until 09:00 Friday 2 January

Sarah has been signed off work at this present time. Please remember her in your prayers.

There is **no** 11:00 Service at Christ Church, Derry Hill this Sunday Morning

Sunday 28 December – The First Sunday of Christmas – Our Benefice Services will be:
08:00 Holy Communion at St Mary's and 10:00 Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Quemerford

There will be no Zoom morning prayer on Friday 26 December, but will restart on 8.30am on Friday 2 January.

Zoom morning prayer for the whole benefice is at **8.30am every Friday morning**. Click here:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86707029064?pwd=MTlnaGM2bnNBRStYN3Q0Vi9STWxudz09>
Meeting ID: 867 0702 9064 Passcode: 12345

Please pray for: Revd Sarah Errington, Jill Mason, John Keller, Noreen Adams, Goff & Ann Morris, Brian & Rosemary Hick, Nicola Rigby and Pamela Cooper

All those in need of God's healing.

Please pray for the family and friends of: Maggie Bowen and Tony Edwards

All who have recently died; all who mourn the loss of a loved one; all whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Pray too for:

The people of Afghanistan, Myanmar, Pakistan, Sudan, South Sudan, Ukraine, Yemen and especially those who have become refugees because of conflict or as a result of natural disasters

Israel & the people of Palestine in Gaza and of Lebanon.

The victims of violence. For those helping people and families in poverty.

We pray for all the children, young people and staff of our local schools.

Today's readings are:

Isaiah 7.10-16

Romans 1.1-7

Matthew 1.18-25

If you would like to receive a Gluten Free wafer at Communion please let the Churchwardens or priest know before the service.

Our Churches are open for private prayer:

Bremhill - daily from 09:00-16:00

Derry Hill – Tues-Sat 09:00 -16:00 and Sundays 12:00-16:00

Foxham – Sundays 11:00 – 16:00

St Mary's – daily from 09:00 – 16:00

Contact us: Church House - 30, Church Street, Calne, SN11 0HU,

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