



Please Pray for

...those who have died, including:

David Lyon (memorial Service 1230pm Mon 19th Jan) and **Jenny Knowles**

...those who are unwell, including: **Debbie Arthur, Debbie Matthias,**

Gwyneth Page, Jeanine Stewart, Mavis Eastwood, Pam Farquharson,

Rae Tugwell, Richard & Sue, and Simon Bell

During the twelve days of the Christmas festival, the Church continues to celebrate the 'Incarnation' (Latin *incarnare* - to become flesh). This means God, in the birth of his Son Jesus Christ, became inextricably involved with human beings. He 'shared in our humanity', as today's Collect puts it, so that we, through Christ's saving work, 'may share the life of his divinity', and enjoy fellowship with God for ever.

Daily Bible Readings:

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	Matthew 2:13-23	The escape to Egypt
Monday	Jeremiah 31:15-20	Hope for the future
Tuesday	Ecclesiastes 3:1-13	For everything a season
Wednesday	Hosea 11:1-11	Out of Egypt I called my son
Thursday	Galatians 3:26 - 4:7	No longer slaves
Friday	Isaiah 43:16-21	Do not dwell on the past
Saturday	Revelation 21:1-6	God will make everything new
Sunday	John 1:10-18	God with us

Prayer for this Week: Lord Jesus, thank you for becoming human to save us.

Help us to live for you. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer: God, we thank you for this time to share a meal with the people we love. Bless this food so that it gives us strength to serve you. Amen.

A Blessing to Give: May God be loving and kind to you. May God lift you up and carry you all your life. Amen.

Readings for 4th January – 2nd of Christmas

Jeremiah 31:7-14; Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:3-14; John 1:[1-9]10-18

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**Thorngate & Blackwater
BENEFICE**

News & Notices - 28th December to 4th January



The Flight into Egypt – Fresco by Giotto (1266-1337)

Sunday 28th December – 1st of Christmas

8.15am	Communion (BCP) in Wellow
From 9am	Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches
9am	Matins (BCP) in West Tytherley
9.15am	Matins (BCP) in Wellow
10.30am	Eucharist in Lockerley
11am	Morning Prayer in Sherfield English
9pm	Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Sunday 28th December – 1st of Christmas

Isaiah 63:7-9 Psalm 148	Hebrews 2:10-18	Matthew 2:13-end
In the midst of great challenge, the prophet calls to mind God's steadfast love and constant presence – these are the foundations of God's covenant.	Because of Jesus, we know God does not stand apart from human beings in any part of our experience. Rather, God is with us, even in the depths of our suffering.	This is a story in three parts, each one fulfilling an Old Testament scripture. At the heart of it we see Mary, Joseph and Jesus fleeing as refugees from one land to another, seeking safety.

Monday to Saturday

9am & 9pm Online Morning & Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Wednesday 31st December

9am Eucharist at Lockerley
2pm Wedding of Jack and Darcy at West Tytherley

Saturday 3rd January

10am Baptism of Olivia at Lockerley

Sunday 4th January – 2nd of Christmas

8am Communion (BCP) in Lockerley
From 9am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

9.15am Sung Eucharist in Wellow

9.45am/10am Breakfast Church in West Tytherley

1030am Celebration Service in Lockerley

11am Matins (BCP) at East Dean

11am Communion in Sherfield English

4pm Messy Church in Wellow Village Hall

9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches



	11 th Jan	18 th Jan	25 th Jan	1 st Feb
East Dean	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion	6pm (BCP) Evensong	11am (BCP) Matins
East Tytherley	Services will resume in warmer weather			
Lockerley	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration	1030am Eucharist	8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration
Sherfield English	11am Morning Prayer	11am Family Service	11am Morning Prayer	11am Communion
West Tytherley	8am (BCP) Communion	9am Eucharist	9am (BCP) Matins	9.45/10am Breakfast Church
Wellow	9.15am Sung Eucharist	9.15am Sung Eucharist	8.15am (BCP) Communion 9.15am (BCP) Matins	9.15am Sung Eucharist 4pm Messy Church

Charity of the Month - December

In 2024 Romsey Young Carers (RYC) celebrated 20 years in existence and its legacy supporting young carers not only in Romsey but across the whole of Southern Test Valley and beyond.

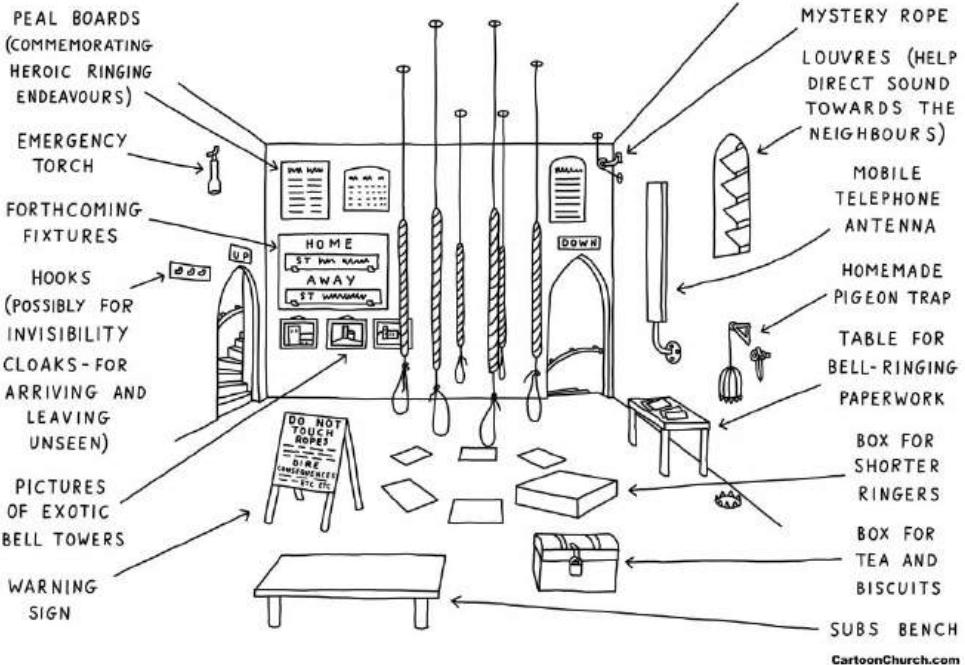
More details from www.romseyyoungcarers.org.uk

(Collection Baskets in Churches or send donations to Lockerley Vicarage)



THE RINGING CHAMBER

HOME OF THE BELL RINGERS



TEN STRATEGIES FOR FINDING THE ITEM THAT ISN'T IN THE PLACE YOU 100% DEFINITELY LEFT IT

