

Please Pray for

...those who have died, including: **Jenny Knowles, Hazel** (Lucilla's cousin's daughter aged 13) and **Reginald Cloudsdale** (funeral at Wellow 2pm Mon 16th Feb)
...those who are unwell, including: **Brian Ambler, Debbie Arthur, Debbie Matthias, Glen Hunt** (operation), **Gwyneth Page, Hilary and Martyn Lacey, Jeanine Stewart, Lawrence Nash** (in hospital in Winchester), **Maisy** (aged 15), **Mavis Eastwood, Michelle Harden** (surgery on 21st Jan and 6 weeks in plaster!), **Pam Farquharson, Rae Tugwell, Richard & Sue, Simon Bell**

During the four weeks of the 'Epiphany season' the Sunday Gospel readings describe the first encounters Jesus had with various people, in which he revealed who he was and the purpose of his coming. Sometimes these encounters were accompanied by 'signs and miracles' (as today's Collect says). But always they led to the 'renewing' and 'sustaining' of lives that were aimless

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.

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| Sunday | Matthew 4:12-23 | <i>Christ revealed as a prophet</i> |
| Monday | Isaiah 60:1-2,15-22 | <i>The Lord will be your light</i> |
| Tuesday | Luke 1:67-79 | <i>Christ, the light dawning</i> |
| Wednesday | Matthew 9:9-13 | <i>Jesus calls Matthew</i> |
| Thursday | Ephesians 5:6-14 | <i>Live as children of the light</i> |
| Friday | Philippians 2:12-18 | <i>The call to shine as stars</i> |
| Saturday | Psalms 112:1-9 | <i>Light dawns for the upright</i> |
| Sunday | Matthew 17:1-9 | <i>Christ revealed as God's beloved Son</i> |

For the Week: "Lord Jesus, you have called me as your disciple. Give me a heart that seeks you and feet ready to follow you. Amen." (Matthew 4:18-20; Psalm 27:8)



For Throughout the Day: "Lord Jesus, teach me how to fish for people. Amen." (Matthew 4:19)

Readings for 1st February - Candlemas

Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 84; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

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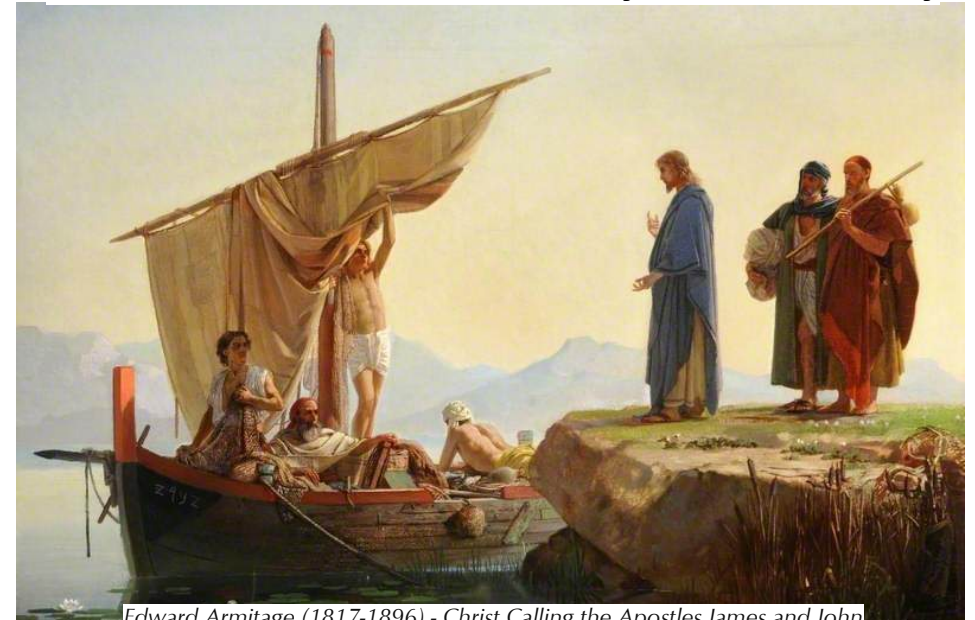
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Thorngate & Blackwater
BENEFICE

News & Notices - 25th January to 1st February



Edward Armitage (1817-1896) - Christ Calling the Apostles James and John

Sunday 25th January – 2nd of Epiphany

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| 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 |
| 6pm | Evensong (BCP) in East Dean |
| 9pm | Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches |

Sunday 25th January – 3rd of Epiphany

| Isaiah 9:1-4 Psalm 27:1,4-9 | 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 | Matthew 4:12-23 |
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| Isaiah declares that in a time to come light will shine in the darkest corners of the land of God's people. | Paul reminds the church in Corinth that the Christian faith is not about being better than others, and appeals to them to unite around the cross of Christ. | The prophecy of Isaiah is lived out by Jesus, who makes his home in Galilee, where God had promised his light would shine. |

Monday to Saturday

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

Wednesday 28th January

8.30am Eucharist at Lockerley (not at 9am!)
9am Visit by Church Commissioners to Benefice

Thursday 29th January

7pm Joint Council Meeting at East Dean

Sunday 1st February - Candlemas

8am Communion (BCP) in Lockerley
From 9am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches
9.15am Eucharist in Wellow
9.45am/10am Breakfast Church in West Tytherley
~~1030am Celebration Service in Lockerley Cancelled~~
11am Matins (BCP) in East Dean
11am Candlemas Communion in Sherfield English
4pm Messy Church in Wellow Village Hall
9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches



| | 8 th Feb | 15 th Feb | 22 nd Feb | 1 st Mar |
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| East Dean | 9am (BCP) Communion | 8am (BCP) Communion | 6pm (BCP) Evensong | 11am (BCP) Matins |
| East Tytherley | <i>Services will resume in warmer weather</i> | | | |
| 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 |

Book Club at West Tytherley Church Tuesday 3rd February 2026, 6.45pm to 8pm

Topic: Rekindling the Wonder of Childlike Wisdom. Book is 'Seeing Anew' Awakening to Life's Lessons by Martina Lehané Sheehan.

All are very welcome. Wrap up warmly.

Charity of the Month January 2026



Hope Now is a Christian charity that aims to “bring hope, by sharing the love of Jesus and making Him known by ministering to those in spiritual, physical and emotional need.” They want the message of the Gospel to touch the hearts of young and old, rich and poor, healthy and infirm, free and imprisoned. Hope Now works mainly in Ukraine, but since 2014 the work has extended to Moldova and Sri Lanka.

More details from: www.hopenow.org.uk

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THE LITURGICAL YEAR

THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS ATTEMPT TO DEVISE AN ALTERNATIVE

