

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.)

I February 2026 – Candlemass (White)

Services around the Benefice

08:00 St Mary's Holy Communion
10:00 St Mary's Holy Communion + Sunday Club
09:30 Christ Church Spoken Holy Communion
10:30 Christ Church All Age Service
18:00 St Martin's Evensong

Sunday 8 February 2nd before Lent (Green)

08:00 St Mary's Holy Communion
09:30 St John the Baptist Holy Communion
10:00 St Mary's Holy Communion
11:00 Christ Church Holy Communion
18:00 St Martin's Songs of Praise

Today's Collect: Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God.

Post Communion Collect: Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Regular events:

Mondays

Church House 10:00 - 12:00 Mary Makers Craft Group

Tuesdays

Church House 10:00 - 11:30 SMUFs (St. Mary's Under Fives) – Term time only

Derry Hill church 14:30 – 16:30 Handbells

Wednesdays

St Mary's church: 10:00 Holy Communion

Derry Hill church: Christian Meditation 18:00 – 18:30

Thursdays

Derry Hill church 10:30 coffee & chat

Fridays

Bremhill Village Hall 10:00 coffee & cake **Derry Hill church** 14:00 Crafternoon

St Mary's church: 17:15 – 18:15 Young Voices (Y5 & above) 18:30 – 19:30 Choir Practice 19:30 Bellringing

Other Notices:

Monday 2 February Church House (upstairs) 10:00 – 12:00 Mary Makers Craft Group

Tuesday 3 February St Mary's church 13:00 Funeral Service of the late Elaine King followed by burial in Curzon Street Cemetery

Christ Church, Derry Hill 14:00 Mothers' Union Prayer & Fellowship Group meeting, all are welcome

Wednesday 4 February St Mary's church 14:00-15:30 Bereavement Café

Thursday 5 February St Mary's church 14:00 Funeral Service of the late Deirdre Aldhous

Carrie and family would like to thank all those who sent cards and messages of condolence following John's death. For his funeral please wear a splash of colour

Funeral Service in St Mary's church on Friday 20 February @ 11:00

Our next Bereavement Café is on Wednesday 4th February from 2pm to 3:30pm in St Mary's Church. Our informal café offers a safe space to share. All who are bereaved are warmly welcome. Free refreshments will be provided.

St Martin, Bremhill give Notice of Intention to revise the Electoral Roll. To start on 15th February and end on 1st March.

“Do your family a favour” - thinking about your own funeral

On Thursday 26 February we are holding another one of these sessions at St Mary's church from 2:00 – 4:00pm which we previously called Grave Talk.

This is an informal time to talk about death and think about our own funerals whilst enjoying good company and a slice of cake. To book a place email admin@mardenval.org.uk

Zoom morning prayer for the whole benefice is at **8.30am every Friday morning**. Click here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86707029064?pwd=MTInaGM2bnNBRStYN3Q0Vi9STWxudz09>

Meeting ID: 867 0702 9064 Passcode: 12345

Please pray for: Jill Mason, Noah Taylor, Amanda Wilford, 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: John Keller, Deirdre Aldhous, Francis Smart and Elaine King
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, Iran, 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 people of Venezuela and Greenland
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:

Malachi 3.1-5
Hebrews 2.14-end
Luke 2.22-40
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 – Mon-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,
(Open – 09:00 – 13:00 on Mon., Weds., & Fri. only) Tel. 01249 816 522. (excluding bank holidays)

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