

January 2026

River Idle Churches

BAWTRY, AUSTERFIELD, MISSON,
EVERTON & MATTERSEY

What's Happening in January. . .

- **Nourish**, Bawtry Church Hall, Mondays 11.30am -1pm, soup, cake and chat
- **Little Lambs**, Bawtry Church Hall, Tuesday 6th, 9.30 - 11.30am, then every Tuesday during term time
- **Misson Messy Church**, Misson Parish Hall, Thursday 8th, 3.30 - 5.30pm
- **Little Lambs**, Everton Village Hall, Friday 9th, 9.30 -11.30am, then every Friday during term time
- **Carpenter's Arms Pop Up Pub Quiz**, Mattersey Church Hall, Monday 12th, 7.30pm
- **Craft & Chat**, Mattersey Church Hall, Tuesday 13th, 1.30 - 3.30pm
- **St John's Community Café on Tour**, Misson Parish Hall, Friday 16th from 9am
- **Bawtry with Austerfield PCC**, Bawtry Church Hall, Tuesday 20th, 7.30pm
- **Safe Haven**, Bawtry Church Hall, Friday 23rd, 10.30am – 12.00noon
- **Misson PCC**, Misson Parish Hall, Monday 26th, 7.00pm
- **Everton PCC**, Everton Village Hall, Tuesday 27th, 1.00pm
- **Mattersey PCC**, Mattersey Church Hall, Wednesday 28th, 2.00pm

WELCOME to LUCY McCANN CHILDREN & FAMILIES TEAM LEADER for THE RIVERFOLD



We are delighted to welcome Lucy, who starts on Monday 5th January and will be working across the four Riverfold Benefices.

Lucy will be expanding and developing children, young people's and families ministry, helping to draw them into the regular worshipping life of our churches, with a particular focus on creating missional initiatives through local primary schools.

Lucy will provide oversight, support and leadership for Children and Families ministry for each Benefice within the Cluster.



ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, BAWTRY

Between 13th and 15th January, a brand new, much needed, multi-media system will be installed, with some existing equipment being utilised. It will incredibly enhance the sound quality for Rev Becky, the Music Group and everyone listening and singing. This has been funded by Strategic Development Fund (SDF) monies from the National Church, in support of our growing Children and Families work.





Misson MESSY CHURCH

Misson Parish Hall
THURSDAY
8 JAN, 5 FEB, 5 MARCH
3:30 - 5:30pm

Craft and Fun
Worship and Food




So..... what is The Riverfold again ?



The Riverfold is the family of churches, across four Benefices, which are: **The River Idle**, Rev Becky Hancock. **Oswaldbeck**, Rev Liz Mack. **Blyth, Scrooby & Ranskill**, Rev Louise Bearder. **Idle & Sands**, currently in vacancy.

Laura Korczyk is Operations Team Leader.

Lucy McCann is Children & Families Team Leader.

Samantha Brazier is PA to Rev Becky.



A Prayer for The Riverfold

Loving God, You have called us from many parishes in the River Idle, Oswaldbeck, Idle & Sands, Blyth, Scrooby & Ranskill Benefices to flow together as one Riverfold. Unite us in fellowship and faith, renew us by your Spirit, and guide us to grow as disciples, sharing your love and bringing life to all we meet. Amen

Coming Soon..... **The Riverfold Newsletter**

Methodist Covenant Service

Sunday 11 January, at 10.30am.

Everyone is invited to join Pastor Sean

Worsley, at the Bawtry Churches Together Service at the Methodist Church. This replaces the Living Waters Service.



There will be an opportunity to sign up for
The Bible Course
which will be starting during Lent, in mid February



Explore the BIG story, over eight sessions, journeying from Genesis to Revelation. Along the way, you will pick up tools and skills to help you read the Bible for yourself. The sessions are interactive, with time for teaching, discussion and personal reflection.

Between sessions there are daily readings to prepare for the following week.

Everything is in a handy sized book, to guide you through to gain a greater understanding, whether you are new to the Bible or want to go deeper.

Donation to The Children's Society

We raised money at our Christingle Services and thanks to your generosity we were able to donate £396.10.

Your donations will make a real difference to the lives of children and young people supporting by this charity.

Thank you.

January 2026 - Services across the River Idle Benefice

4 th	9.30am	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Living Waters with Sundayz Cool	Isaiah 60: 1 - 6
	11.15am	All Saints, Mattersey	Holy Communion	Matthew 2: 1 - 12
11 th	10.30am	Methodist Church, Bawtry	Covenant Service by Pastor Sean Worsley	- - - - -
	11.15am	Holy Trinity, Everton	Holy Communion	Isaiah 42: 1 - 9 Matthew 3: 15 - end
	6.00pm	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Evensong	
18 th	8.30am	St Helena's, Austerfield	Holy Communion	Isaiah 49: 1 – 7 John 1: 29 - 42
	9.30am	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Benefice Family Communion at Living Waters with Sundayz Cool	
25 th	9.30am	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Living Waters with Sundayz Cool	Isaiah 9: 1 – 4 Matthew 4: 12 - 23
	11.15am	St John the Baptist Misson	Holy Communion	
	6.00pm	St Nicholas, Bawtry	Evensong	

There is a service of Holy Communion every Thursday morning
at 9.30am in St Nicholas' Church, Bawtry

Every Monday morning at 9.00 am, we meet in one of our churches
across the Benefice, to pray for our communities.

You are most welcome to join us

1st Monday - Mattersey 2nd Monday - Everton

3rd Monday - Bawtry 4th Monday - Misson

5th Monday - Austerfield

Nurturing Prayer

Nurturing prayer is one of the seven areas of focus for mission and ministry identified in the refreshed Diocesan Vision.



During 2026, we will be nurturing and developing our prayer life, both individually and as Church together. In our church services and in this Notice Sheet, we will offer ideas to support you in your own prayer life.

If you have a smartphone, you could download for free, the Lectio 365 app. Which will support and encourage you in your daily prayers.

“ Prayer does not equip up for the greater work. Prayer is the greater work”.

“ When you pray, you don't just ask for strength, you become it”.

“ Let go and let God”.

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Churchwardens

Bawtry Chris Grice | Chris Eyes

Austerfield Kay Beckett | Samantha Brazier

Misson Anne Rowe | Peter Edwards

Everton John Dunn | Vacant

Mattersey Currently Vacant

If you're interested in becoming a Churchwarden at Mattersey or Everton, we would like to hear from you: e-mail: riveridlechurches@gmail.com

Retired Clergy:

Reverend Jean Tomlinson

Reverend Richard Spray

Reader: Paul Kirby



Find us on Facebook:
The River Idle Benefice
Churches
and Individual Pages for:
St Nicholas, Bawtry
Holy Trinity, Everton
St Helena's, Austerfield
St John the Baptist, Misson

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