



## Sunday 11th January, Baptism of Christ

**8am, Traditional Communion at Westerham**

**10am, Holy Communion at Crockham Hill**

**10.30am, 2nd Sunday Service at Westerham:** our informal service of *word, prayer and praise*. This month our theme is the Epiphany. Come and join us – everybody's welcome. **Readings:** Isaiah 42:1-9; Matthew 3:13-end

***Whoever you are, wherever you live, whatever life is like for you and however you experience yourself; regardless of money, status, (dis)ability or anything else, you are welcome to every service in both our churches.***

Day	Time	What's on at St Mary's this week?
Tues to Sat	9.00 - 9.30am	<b>Morning Prayer</b> in the Resurrection Chapel; a short service of prayer and readings
Tuesday	10am - 12pm	<b>Coffee Time</b> at Westerham Community Hub in the JFR. Join us for tea, coffee, snacks and friendship
	7.45pm	<b>Bell ringing practice</b>
Wednesday	10am	<b>Midweek Communion:</b> a said service
	10am to 12pm	<b>Jigsaw Group</b> at Westerham Community Hub in the JFR. Come along for refreshments and a chat
	12pm	<b>Funeral of the late Mrs Shirley Martin</b>
Thursday	10am	<b>Flower Guild AGM</b> in the John Fryth Room: open to anyone interested in arranging flowers in church
	7pm	<b>Choir practice</b> in the John Fryth Room
Friday	11.30am	<b>Memorial service for the late Mrs Gill Igglesden</b>

## Sunday 18th January, 2nd of Epiphany

**10.00am, Holy Communion at Crockham Hill**

**10.30am, Holy Communion at Westerham:** in modern language with hymns. Please join us for refreshments and a chat afterwards. Everybody's welcome.

**Readings:** 1 Corinthians 1.1-9, John 1.29-42

**All welcome - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday planning meeting.** It has been wonderful to see our congregation growing on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays. If you would like to be part of the planning team for this please join us on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January after the 10.30 service as we think about themes to explore for 2026 and plan for February's service.

**Saturday 7th February at 7pm** in church —Schubert's *Winterreise*: a concert by Oliver Davis and Emilie Turner-Großer. Tickets available (£5—£8) [via Eventbrite](#).

**It's Your Calling:** The next day for exploring how God might be calling you is on **Saturday 28th February** at the St Benedict's Centre. God's people are a pilgrim people, and we are all called to on the move, spiritually and in vocation. The new year is the perfect moment to spend some time with others, asking God to show us what new thing he is calling us to. **Speak to Revd Dave if you think this might be for you.**



**Peter Cambridge's Christmas lights in London Road** have so far raised £650 excluding Gift Aid, for the Kent homeless charity Porchlight. A huge thank you to everyone who has donated, however large or small your donation. The JustGiving page will be closing on Monday 12th January, so please donate without delay if you would like to contribute, I hope everyone enjoyed the lights which will return for Christmas 2026. Thank you.

**Organ Update.** An application will be made soon to obtain final permission for the organ restoration to proceed and a faculty notice giving details will be displayed soon. This period will possibly start from this coming weekend or early next week.

**A Prayer for Peace:** God of peace and justice, we lift up to you the peoples of Ukraine, Gaza, the DR of Congo and Sudan today. We pray for all the world's war zones, for the laying down of weapons and end to calls of violence; for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them; for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, asking you to hold, protect and provide for them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

**Deadline for newsletter items: 12 noon on Wednesday**

**Contact Us**

**Benefice Office:** 01959 561 330 / [office@chwbenefice.org](mailto:office@chwbenefice.org)

Open Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, 9am to 1pm. **Closed Thursday**

**Website:** [www.chwbenefice.org](http://www.chwbenefice.org)