

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell
St Etheldreda's Reach



Loving God, Loving People

28th January 2024 – 4th Sunday of Epiphany

THIS WEEK

Collect: *God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen*

Readings: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Mark 1:21-28

Hymns: MP 327 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

MP 251 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

MP 67 Breathe on my breath of God

MP 397 King of glory, King of peace

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

4.00pm Messy Church at St. Mary's

Family event for all ages

We may be able to live stream the 10am service on Facebook.

If so, a recording will be available to watch after end of service.

RADIO

8.30am Cross Talk on Burwell Community Radio

(repeated at 4.30pm & 7.00pm on Monday)

<http://burwell.radio/>

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 10.30am Funeral of Ted Carter at St. Mary's

7.30pm Bellringing practice this week

Wed 10.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

Thurs 9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

Fri 10.00am Refresh Café and lunch

Sat 9.00am Village Green Pray-ers

SUNDAY WORSHIP 4th February 2024

8.30am Holy Communion at Reach

10.00am Candlemas Café Church at St. Mary's

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- As Epiphany draws to a close, we remember the humility of the Magi, who recognised in the infant Jesus the king of the Universe and knelt before him. As we start this new year, we come before you, hoping that we will also find you in unexpected places and people. Help us to walk with you through the coming year and help us to be the loving people you call us to be.

- We pray for the innocent victims of war. May there be an end to hostilities between Israel and the Palestinians, we pray for all those who have lost loved ones, for those abducted and still missing and their families, for those injured, for those affected by the bombings and loss of homes. We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, for peace and the laying down of weapons.

- We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for just and peaceful solutions to be reached.

- For the work of organisations, including Christian Aid, helping families around the world to overcome poverty and injustice, wherever the need is greatest, and there is high risk of famine including: Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Yemen, Syria, DRC, South Sudan.

- We pray that governments and organisations be guided by wisdom, vision & courage to work together to take action to combat the effects of climate change, that justice and peace might flow like a mighty river.

- As wintry conditions continue, we pray for those that are vulnerable and isolated. May they receive the help and support they need.

- We pray for all those who are struggling in today's difficult economic situation. May adequate immediate provision be made available, and support to find longer term solutions, so that everyone has their basic needs met for food, shelter, employment and security. For the Pop-up Pantry, at Burwell Day Centre Fridays at 2pm.

- We pray for all those affected by the Post Office scandal. We pray that victims will be exonerated, compensated, and move forward to rebuild their lives.

- As NHS waiting lists continue to cause alarm and distress, we pray for the thousands of patients waiting for treatment, operations, and care plans.

- We pray for our leaders as the Diocese continues the process of choosing a new Bishop of Ely, we pray that the right person will emerge to carry forward the work of Ely 2025 and beyond. Bless Bishop Dagmar as she supervises the diocese until a new Bishop is installed, and all those who serve the church under her leadership; priests, deacons, lay ministers and churchwardens.

- We pray for this church, for Eleanor, Paula, Virginia, Jo and all in leadership positions, the churchwardens and the PCC. We give thanks for all that so many contribute, and pray for others to come forward, when some need to step back.

- For those living in:- Buntings Crescent, Buntings Path, Carter Road, Garden Court, Hawthorn Way, Martin Road, Orchard Way, Westhorpe (Burwell), The Hythe (Reach).

- For those in special need: Danny, Sarah, Jackie, Neil, Don, Sonya (Anna Hopper's sister), Carol, Janice, John, Sonny (Jackie & Tony's Great Grandson), Sharon, Kate, Jenny, John, Andrew (Sue Reynolds' nephew), Joan, Joanne, Ian, Janet (Ken's cousin), Jim.

- For the bereaved including the families and friends of Catherine Fuller, Ted Carter, Don Kyte, Jennifer Harrison, and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

FOR YOUR ATTENTION:

* **Alpha Course Online** – a new course has started on Thursdays at 8pm. Please contact Jo

llm@stmarysburwell.org.uk if you would like to join in with this opportunity to explore the Christian faith.

* Monday 7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer Group (weekly). We are starting to study "Exodus" and would love others to join us. Please contact Myrna 610162 or Pauline 741202.

PASTORAL CARE

Please contact Eleanor or Paula with messages about pastoral news, needs & concerns, requests for prayer.

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