

The Marden Vale Team Ministry

Christ Church, Derry Hill - St. John the Baptist, Foxham - St. Martin's, Bremhill
Sunday 23rd December – The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome to our Worship, especially if you are visiting or joining us for the first time. We hope you will feel at home – if you need any assistance please speak to a sidesperson who will be glad to help. At Derry Hill and Bremhill there is an induction loop for the hard of hearing - please turn to 'T' on your hearing aid. If you require a gluten-free wafer please let a sidesperson know before the service.

Today's readings:

*Canticle: Magnificat, Psalm 80: 1-8, Micah 5: 2-5a, Hebrew 10: 5-10,
Luke 1: 39-45 (46-55)*

Collect for Advent

Eternal God,

As Mary waited for the birth of your Son,
so we wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age
to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect for Christmas Eve

Eternal God,

in the stillness of this night
you sent your almighty Word
to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation:
give to the earth the peace that we long for
and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Collect for Christmas Day

Lord Jesus Christ,

your birth at Bethlehem
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:
accept our heartfelt praise,
as we worship you,
our Saviour and our eternal God.

In the coming week please pray for:

- those who suffer through injustice and persecution.
- those who are facing difficult times, especially those caught up in recent extreme weather events and those who are homeless.
- parishioners, friends and family who are ill in body, mind or spirit.
- for those with indefinite terms of illness and especially **Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Len Jones, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, David Bates and Cynthia Marson**. Also, for those awaiting a diagnosis or news of their condition and those who prefer not to be listed here but are known to you.
- All those who have recently passed away and all those who recall the anniversary of the death of a loved one.

Sunday 6th January – Feast of Epiphany

8.00am	Bremhill	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Foxham	Holy Communion (CW)
11.00am	Derry Hill	Holy Communion (CW)
6.00pm	Bremhill	Evensong (BCP)

CHILDREN’S CRIB AND CHRISTINGLE SERVICE IN CHRIST CHURCH

On Christmas Eve in Christ Church, Derry Hill there will be a Crib and Christingle service at 3pm. If any children wish to come in Nativity costume that would be brilliant as it is a very interactive service.

EMAIL CONTACTS HAVE CHANGED!

The email for the Church contacts has been changed. Please see the contact list on the pew sheet for the new email addresses.

MASK CONCERT

The MASK Concert which took place in Christ Church on Monday 10th December was a huge success. The choir sang a selection of Xmas songs and the audience of 110 joined them in several carols. The Marden Vale Handbell Ringers also played and sounded wonderful. Thank you to MASK and the bell ringers and everyone who worked to make it such a lovely evening. The raffle and retiring collection raised £310 for church funds.

FOOD BANK

A big thank you to everyone that has donated to the Calne Food Bank. They have had an overwhelming response and they are so grateful for the gifts that have been received. They estimate that this year three hundred and fifty single and family bags have given out. Your donations are being put to good use for the people in the Calne area. Thank you once again.

30th DECEMBER SERVICE

There will be a United Benefice Eucharist on the 30th December in St. Mary's Calne at 10am.

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Advent and Christmas Services in Bremhill, Foxham and Derry Hill

St. Martin's Church, Bremhill

23 rd Dec	Family 'Christingle' Service at 9.30am
Christmas Eve	Midnight Mass at 11.15pm
Christmas Day	Family Christmas Communion Service 9.30am

St. John the Baptist Church, Foxham

23 rd Dec	Carols and Crib Service at 6pm. Followed by refreshments at the Reading Room.
Christmas Day	Family Christmas Communion Service at 9.30am

Christ Church, Derry Hill

Christmas Eve	Christingle and Crib Service at 3pm Midnight Mass at 11.30pm
Christmas Day	Family Christmas Communion Service at 11am

Also:

Christmas Eve	Carols at Bowood
30 th Dec	Holy Communion at St. Mary's, Calne at 8am United Benefice Eucharist at St. Mary's, Calne at 10am

FROM THE MARDENVALE TEAM

Merry christmas and happy new year.

From all the PCC members in the Marden Vale team!

May the harmony and friendship within our parishes grow and our communities continue to strengthen.

**Wishing you all a very happy and blessed
Christmas, and a peaceful 2019.**

Thank you for all your cards and good wishes, and for your support and goodwill this last year. With our love, Linda & Richard