

The Marden Vale Team Ministry  
Christ Church, Derry Hill St. John the Baptist, Foxham St. Martin, Bremhill  
6th February - Fourth Sunday before Lent

### Services

#### Sunday 6th February

10am Said Communion at Derry Hill  
10.30am Family Service at Derry Hill - see Pip below  
6pm Zoom Evening Prayer  
(Link available from [lindac@mardenvale.org.uk](mailto:lindac@mardenvale.org.uk))

#### Sunday 13th February

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Foxham  
6pm Evening Prayer at Bremhill

#### Sunday 20th February

10am Parish Eucharist at Derry Hill  
6pm Zoom Evening Prayer (See above for link)

#### Sunday 27th February

10am Parish Eucharist at Bremhill  
6pm Evening Prayer at Foxham

### Diary for February

Wed 9th 6pm Meditation at Christ Church DH  
7.30pm Handbells at Christ Church DH  
7.30pm Foxham PCC via Zoom  
Thu 10th 7.30pm Bremhill PCC at Village Hall  
Wed 16th 12pm Funeral at Bremhill (*The late Mr Keith Blackmore*)  
6pm Meditation at Christ Church DH  
7.30pm Handbells at Christ Church DH  
Fri 18th 10am Funeral at Semington followed by  
11.30am prayers at Foxham Church (*The late Mrs Sarah Green*)  
7.30pm Friends of St Martin's Auction of Promises, Brook Farm, Bremhill

### Dates of Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Christ Church, Derry Hill Sunday 20th March  
St. John the Baptist, Foxham Wednesday 20th April  
St. Martin, Bremhill Sunday 24th April

Electoral Roll revision begins 7th Feb in Derry Hill  
Contact [derryhillpccsec@mardenvale.org.uk](mailto:derryhillpccsec@mardenvale.org.uk)

We ask that face coverings are worn in our church buildings. Please click [here](#) or see below for COVID measures

### Keeping in touch

Contact Linda Tel: 01249 817926 or email: [lindac@mardenvale.org.uk](mailto:lindac@mardenvale.org.uk)

### Website

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Derry Hill's

[Facebook page](#)

Foxham's [Facebook Page](#)



### Prayer

Click [here](#) to leave prayer requests or to join the Church of England Daily Prayer

### In the coming week please keep in your prayers:

**Peace:** fighting to cease and peace to prevail in all the places in the world marked by conflict and violence; for our brothers and sisters in Sudan & South Sudan, Yemen, for the Holy Land, for Ukraine

**Those in need:** in storm, flood, fire and earthquake, for all rescue workers and emergency services, especially in Tonga at this time; shelter for the homeless and rough sleepers, safety for refugees;

those struggling to pay bills and put food on the table; for the anxious, exhausted, isolated. May those whose mental health is fragile be able to access counselling, medication and support;

women and girls who do not feel safe

**Local community:** our schools, for all children & staff; local shops and businesses; Kingston House residents and all who work there;

Lucy Ayles in her work with YWAM

**COVID-19:** all who are affected by coronavirus, who work on the frontline to keep us safe, to help the sick, to keep us fed; praying especially for all NHS workers

the vaccination programme in every nation; new oral antiviral medication for Covid, giving thanks for those involved in its development; wisdom and guidance in our continued responses to the pandemic, especially as restrictions are eased

**Environment:** continued momentum from COP 26 and how we care for God's creation

**Charities:** the work of Christian Aid, The Children's Society, The Leprosy Mission, The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust

**The sick:** Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, Jackson Goodship, Liz Kinch, Doreen Williams, Brenda Beint, Sonia Strange, Margaret Bell, Rev. Jim Scott

**The departed:** We remember Sarah Green and Keith Blackmore and all who mourn their loss; all whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for The Church of Ireland

Churches open for private prayer

Bremhill - daily from 9am to 4pm

Derry Hill - Tue-Sat 9am to 4pm, Sundays 12-4pm

Foxham - Sundays 11am-4pm

### Calne Food Bank

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### Giving

You can find out how to support your local church on our [Giving](#) page.

QR Codes are available for Christ Church, Derry Hill for one-off donations or regular giving.

## Readings for the Fourth Sunday before Lent

### Collect

Lord of the hosts of heaven,  
our salvation and our strength,  
without you are lost:  
guard us from all that harms or hurts  
and raise us when we fall;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise;  
I bow down towards your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love  
and your faithfulness;  
for you have exalted your name and your word  
above everything.  
On the day I called, you answered me,  
you increased my strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,  
for they have heard the words of your mouth.  
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
for great is the glory of the Lord.  
For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;  
but the haughty he perceives from far away.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;  
you stretch out your hand,  
and your right hand delivers me.  
The Lord will fulfil his purpose for me;  
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures for ever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

### Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

### 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an

apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.



### Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.



The Miraculous Draught of Fishes, Sanzio Raffaello, c1515

## **Parochial Church Council (PCC) Guidance**

At the joint PCC meeting on 8th December (and subsequent consultation via email in January 2022) it was agreed that the current COVID measures should remain largely unaltered, with the exception that face coverings must be worn at all times in our church buildings. We are continuing to take a cautious approach while working towards reintroducing elements of worship in church which so many have missed.

In common with many other churches and retail and hospitality settings we are asking people to continue to observe the “Hands, Face, Space, Ventilation” measures which are currently in place.

**Social distancing** remains in place. Please feel free to sit with members of your household or regular social ‘bubble’ in any pew where there are Orders of Service. To indicate your preference for space, place a kneeler on the pew.

**Face coverings** We ask that face coverings are worn at all times unless you are exempt.

**Communion** (intincted wafers/bread) may be received at the high altar (standing). To reduce queuing this will be conducted row-by-row.

**Congregational singing** of two hymns + the Gloria will take place in church during services. We ask that you wear a face covering if you wish to join in.

**Zoom services** will continue

These measures apply to the regular Sunday services. They will be reviewed as the national situation changes as necessary.

An amended set of measures will apply to baptisms, weddings, funerals and other groups meeting in church subject to the requirements of separate risk assessments.

Our Christian calling is to care for all our brothers and sisters, particularly those who are vulnerable; and there are times in our lives when every one of us (and those we have close contact with) is vulnerable. We want everyone to feel welcome, comfortable and cared for. Thank you for your understanding.

Rev. Linda Carter on behalf of Bremhill, Derry Hill and Foxham PCCs 6th January 2022.