

We invite you to offer prayers for

The World Church:

The Diocese of Kolhapur in India with Bishop Bathuel Tiwade.

Churches Together:

The Quaker Society of Friends

Bishop John has asked us to pray for.....

all involved in Bellfest at Holy Innocents, for all those who will visit and all our churches planning community events in the New Year.

The work of St Mary's.....

For our bellringers and the message they communicate each Sunday.

Those living in:

The Heathlands and Cranbourne Road

Local Community:

All those who work in our local shops and services who continue to provide a service to others during the Christmas and New Year period.

Among those who are ill:

Angela Viner, Elizabeth Gale, Betty Taylor, Emma Brown, Margaret Moulton, Jack Richards, Michael McCullagh and Enid Clarke.

We continue to pray for:

Rory Macintosh, Joe and Ros Yeates Elan Irvine-Boden, Anne May, Grace Jones, Angela Dixon, Niamh McCormack, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Noah Cantius, Michael Woodall, Finley Rogerson and Denis Noakes.

Those in nursing home care:

Sheila Westwood, June O'Brian, Richard Aldred, Hazel White and Anne Davies.

The departed:

Gerald Hale, Barbara Sutherland, Jean Shillingford, Geoff Smith, Annie Harris, Harry Molineux and Sally Taylor.

Please inform the clergy or a member of the pastoral care team as soon as possible if you know of any illness or particular need within the congregation.



The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford
Sunday 1st January 2017
The naming of Jesus



A warm welcome to any visitors who are worshipping with us today.

Please join us for coffee in the Narthex after our 10.00am service.

We have a loop system installed in church. If you wear a hearing aid please turn it to the T position. If you would like to find out about any of the activities associated with church please speak to a warden or sides person or visit our website at www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

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Sides: Ian Nex

10.00am - Parish Communion

The choir are on holiday today.

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

Preacher: Kanthi Ariaraj

Warden: Malcolm Frost

Sides: Jeremy Morgan and Sally Frost

Reader: Jeremy Morgan **Intercessions:** Dawn Nex

Children Together: Peter and Kathryn Hancox

6.30pm - Service for the new year.

The service this evening will be a special service for the new year.

Officiants: Revd Alex French and Roger King

Warden: Marjorie Ferguson

Sides: Alec Beevers



Collect for this week:

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was circumcised in obedience to the law for our sake and given the Name that is above every name: give us grace faithfully to bear his Name, to worship him in the freedom of the Spirit, and to proclaim him as Saviour of the world: who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Readings for our 10.00am service.**The Old Testament Reading**

Galatians 4: 4—7

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

This is the Word of the Lord
THANKS BE TO GOD.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 2: 15—21

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them.

But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

Post Communion Prayer:

All praise to you, almighty God and heavenly king, who sent your Son into the world to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin: grant that, as we are born again in him, so he may continually dwell in us and reign on earth as he reigns in heaven, now and for ever.

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