

Please join us in prayer for:

... those in need of our prayers:

Louise Harward (HA)(CH)	Scott Whittleton (ER)
John Edwards (CH)	Lita Edgell (CH)
Jessie Hill (CH)	Kate Touhy (CH)

... those ill, at home or in hospital:

Steve Chicken (CH)	Lynne Hammond (CH)
Sarah Ives (SH)	Rodney Freeman (HA)
Andrew Hooper (HA)	Margaret De Bolz (SH)

... the family and friends of those who have recently died

Roy Bacon (SH, ER)	Jock Ross (CH)
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... those facing the winter without a roof over their head

If you would like to be included in our prayers, if you know of somebody who might be interested, or if you wish to come off the list, then please contact Liesbeth on 781902, or email to l.oosterhof@btinternet.com

Like every other charity, we need your help to be of help in our parishes. To support the work of the churches in our benefice, you can donate scanning the code or by going to:

[St Mary's Harkstead Online Giving - Give A Little](#)

NB St Mary's Harkstead are kindly administering the donations for the benefice!

Thank you for your generosity!



This news sheet is available on our websites and delivered by email every week to all those who wish to receive it. If you know of someone who would like to receive this news sheet, please get in touch!

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THE NEWS SHEET FOR
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NOTICES FOR 22 - 29 December 2024
Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas
until the Epiphany



Collect for the Fourth Sunday of 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.

Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Micah 5.2–5a, Cantic: Magnificat or Psalm 80.1–8,
Hebrews 10.5–10, Luke 3.7–18

From Psalm 80

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel,
you that led Joseph like a flock;
Shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim,
before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh.
Stir up your mighty strength
and come to our salvation.

Services, worship and prayer time for the coming week

Tuesday 24/12: Christmas Eve

10.00am Christingle Service, St Andrew's, Chelmondiston
4.00pm Crib Service, St Mary's, Shotley
6.00pm Carols @ Christmas Eve, St Mary's, Erwarnton
11.00pm Benefice Midnight Communion,
St Mary's, Harkstead

Wednesday 25/12: Christmas Day

9.30am Holy Communion, St Andrew's, Chelmondiston
10.00am Family Service, St Mary's, Shotley
10.00am Holy Communion, St Mary's, Harkstead

Sunday 29/12: Christmas 2

11.00am Benefice Holy Communion, St Mary's, Erwarnton

Worship in the Cathedral:

A schedule of services up to Sunday 22nd December can be found here:

<https://stedscathedral.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/2024-12-08-1.pdf>

The following link takes you straight to the Cathedral's Facebook page to access all live streamed services:

<https://www.facebook.com/stedscathedral/live/> <https://www.facebook.com/stedscathedral/live/>

Events @ the Cathedral

Our Cathedral offers an amazing program of events including 'pop' & classical concerts, holiday activities, tower tours, talks and lectures, and much more!

Friday 20th December 7.00pm London Concertante: Viennese Christmas Spectacular

Please check the Cathedral's website for more details:

<https://stedscathedral.org/whats-on/>

There will be **no news sheet next week** while we take a short break over Christmas and the New Year.

All information about services can be found on the websites:

<http://shorelinebenefice.co.uk> or <https://www.achurchnearyou.com>

St Mary's Erwarnton

The traditional decoration of the church for Christmas!

Monday 23rd December at 10.00am

Bring any greenery you can spare.

Enjoy a coffee, mince pies and good company.

All welcome!



Funerals

Jock Ross

Tuesday 7th January 2025, 11.00am, St Andrew's, Chelmondiston

Roy Bacon

Thursday 9th January 2025, 10.30am, St Mary's, Shotley

Benefice Safeguarding Officer needed

Anne Jowett will be retiring from her role as Safeguarding Officer for the Benefice in the new year, after many years of service.

If you would like to learn more about this important role within the Benefice, please contact Liesbeth, or speak to Anne to find out more.

PCC Meetings

Chelmondiston: Thursday 6th February, 7.30 pm in the Church Room

Harkstead: Thursday 30th January, 7.30pm @ Catkin's

Erwarnton: Thursday 13th February, 2.00pm @ Gloria's

Shotley: Thursday 16th January, 7.30pm @ Maureen's