## movies@Mary's Sat 27 January at St Mary's Church 5.30pm-8.00pm

'Forty-fy' yourself for 2024. Raid the dressing up box Enjoy 40s music and old fashioned pop-corn to watch the period film

Carrie's War

set in World War II Wales

Free tickets bookable on Eventbrite <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/moviesmarys-carries-war-tickets-775658865547">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/moviesmarys-carries-war-tickets-775658865547</a>

Donations to St Mary's and The Harbour Project



Royal Wootton Bassett

Dementia

Choir & Cafe

Termtime Thursdays 1.45-3.15pm St Barts Church Hall, RWB.

Can YOU help?

We urgently need a local sponsor to ensure we can continue running this group- all offers of help very welcome.

We also would love a few more volunteers to join our amazing teamfree training given.

Thank you...

For all inquiries, donations and volunteers please contact Music Therapist Lisa:-Lisawilliamsmusic@gmail.com



## Purton Churches Together



"In partnership with other Christians in Purton"

Purton Methodist Church

# 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Welcome to our two Churches.

For more information about the service please see the welcome page inside the order of service. If you would like a visit from a Church member, or would value prayer or an opportunity to find out more about the Christian faith please contact

- The Vicar, Rev Ian Tweedie-Smith on 01793 770077 vicarage@stmaryspurton.org.uk
- The Curate, Rev Judith Wells on 01793 770627 <a href="mailto:judithwells36@googlemail.com">judithwells36@googlemail.com</a>
- The Methodist Minister, Rev Shirlyn Toppin on 01793 853197 shirlys8\_@hotmail.com
- If you have any Church Safeguarding concern: Marie Dempsey: 07455046815

Email: safeguarding@stmaryspurton.org.uk

## 'Dig Deeper' 14th January 6.30pm

An opportunity to reflect together on God's teaching through His Word and how we can be more effective together as a Church in proclaiming God's message and in living out His call to be one of His followers. Rev Ian Tweedie-Smith

#### **Church Events**

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Sunday	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Rev Ian		
14 <sup>th</sup>		Tweedie-Smith		
January	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by		
		Jenny Corkett		
	6.30pm	Dig Deeper into Philippians with Rev Ian		
		Tweedie-Smith at the vicarage		
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group		
		Zoom ID:907644918 Passcode:918865		
	1.30pm	(tbc) Bible group: the Gospel of Luke		
	7.30pm	PCC Meeting at the vicarage		
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Zoom Advent Course led by Richard Harris:		
		https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83879543705		
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	5.00pm	Prayer Group		
	7.30pm	Advent Course led by Paul Demsey		
	7.30pm	Music group rehearsal		
Thurs 18th	11.15am	Funeral of Cynthia Huband at Kingsdown		
		Crematorium with Rev Judith Wells		
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bellringing practice		
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>				
Sunday	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Rev Ian		
21 <sup>st</sup>		Tweedie-Smith		
January	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's Church with Rev		
		Ian Tweedie-Smith		
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by		
		Rev Shirlyn Toppin		
	1.00pm	Baptisms at St Mary's Church with Rev Ian		
		Tweedie-Smith		
	6.30pm	Dig Deeper (for PCC on LLF) with Rev Ian		
		Tweedie-Smith		

<u>Prayer:</u> In January we pray for Pavenhill, Upper & Lower Pavenhill, Paven Close, Bunce Court, Gleed Close, Cob Hill, Saxon Mill & Cowleaze. We will also be praying for local care homes this year, beginning this month with Cotswold Rise Care Home in Ridgeway Farm.

Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Highworth Methodist Church.

We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died, and we pray for the families of Frank Strange and Duncan Joslyn (N/A Jos), Ray Thomas, Cynthia Huband and Clare Tweedie-Smith.

### **Eco-Prayer Calendar for January**

Pray for people, communities and wildlife affected by the loss of ice and snow due to climate warming. Pray for those affected by recent flooding events.

## **Collect:** Epiphany 2

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through 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.

#### United Churches Nativity Play and Carol Service on Christmas Eve

We had the most joyous United Nativity Play Carol Service in St Mary's on Christmas Eve. The Church was full to the brim and there were 75 children, most of whom took part in the play. We had 7 kings and a camel, about 12 shepherds including one from Thailand in a Nasa space outfit (why not!) a few sheep and the rest were angels and stars. Mary and Joseph were beautifully calm throughout and the baby Jesus acted by 3-month-old Hugo was absolutely wonderful! Thank you to all who helped with the service, including Rev Judith, Mary Smith (from UJC and Messy Church); the Readers and the Cricklade Band. We were also grateful to the tekkie desk operators and Richard M who set up a superb powerpoint presentation for us. Most of all we were delighted to see the children and their parents who came and took part. A magnificent £311 was raised for Julia House, the children's hospice. Thank you so much: Libbie and Mary H.

## Coffee morning at Cotswold Rise Care Home

Please see the separate sheet attached with information about coffee mornings at the new care home in Ridgeway Farm.

Readers: 14<sup>th</sup> January Liz Martin 21<sup>st</sup> Howard Smith Intercessions: 14<sup>th</sup> January Sandra Horsnall 21<sup>st</sup> David Nettleton St Mary's Church website is: www.stmaryspurton.org.uk
If you have anything to include in the Church Notices, contact administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk by first thing Thursday mornings.