



St Mary's
Church Purton

Purton
Churches
Together

"In partnership with
other Christians in Purton"



Purton
Methodist Church

Sunday 15th December 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
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🧊 A Christmas Movie 🧊

about a stick trying to
find his way home in time
for Christmas...

can you guess what it is?!?!?

at St Mary's Church

🌲 21st December 2024 🌲

16:30

Expect popcorn and festive
activities as we remember
the real meaning of Christmas
being with the ones you love 🌲

*Today in the town of
DAVID a SAVIOUR has
been BORN to you;
HE is CHRIST THE LORD.*



LUKE 2:11

Church Events

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| Sunday 15th December | 8.00am | Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith |
| | 10.30am | Church for All at St Mary's Church with Liz & David Martin and a Christmas Story by Purton Ballet |
| | 10.30am | Holy Communion Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Rev Shirlyn Toppin |
| Mon 16 th | 10.00am | Zoom Prayer Group Zoom ID:907644918 Passcode:918865 |
| | 7.30pm | Advent course with Richard Harris |
| Tues 17 th | 11.30am | Funeral of Michael Mucklow at St Mary's Church with Rev Tudor Roberts |
| | 7.30pm | Choir practice |
| Wed 18 th | 5.00pm | Prayer Group – Lady Chapel |
| Thurs 19 th | 9.15-3.15pm | Preparation for school concert at St Mary's church |
| | 6.00pm | Bradon Forest School Christmas Concert at St Mary's Church |
| | 7.30pm | Advent course with Paul & Marie Dempsey |
| Fri 20 th | 5.30pm | BASH Youth group at St Mary's Church |
| | 7.30pm | Bellringing practice |
| Sat 21 st | 4.30pm for 5.00pm | Movies@mary's: Christmas Children's Film. Doors open 4.30pm. Film starts at 5.00pm |
| Sunday 22nd December | 10.30am | Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith |
| | 10.30am | Carols at Purton Methodist Church led by Adrian German |
| | 6.00pm | Nine Lessons & Carols by candlelight at St Mary's Church with Rev Judith Wells, followed by mulled wine and mince pies |

Prayer: In our street prayer cycle for December, we pray for The Fox, The Pry, Collins Lane, (*and from Moulden View*) Arabian Avenue, Palamino Place and Eriskay Place. White Lodge Care Home on Braydon Road. Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Toothill Church. We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Margaret Beaumont, Vicki Venter, Jill Mucklow and Michael Mucklow.

Collect: Advent 3

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Reading for today: Luke 2: 4-14

Flowers for Christmas

If you would like to help us decorate the church with flowers for Christmas, Jane and Libbie would be delighted. If you want to bring a vase of flowers, or offer us flowers or a donation to use it would be so much appreciated. We have so many wonderful concerts, services and special events happening this Advent-time so we want St Mary's to look at its best... warm and welcoming for all! Contact Jane 772422 or Libbie 771018 if you want to be in church with others, rather than on your own.

St Mary's Church - Christmas Market - Sat 30 Nov 2024

Thank you so much to all those who helped with setting up, clearing up and running stalls. To those who attended the market, especially St Mary's School Choir, who sang so beautifully for us. To those who came for their well-deserved lunch and to chat with friends etc. It was a great turnout. Somehow we managed to raise £2200 which was fantastic. May we use this money wisely, to help with the running of St Mary's Church and to extending our Mission more widely. Sandra Horsnall

Readers: 15th David Martin 22nd Liz Martin

Intercessions: 15th Judith Wells 22nd Madeleine Harvey

St Mary's Church website is: www.stmaryspurton.org.uk

If you want to add an article into the church notices, please email Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris, by first thing Thursday mornings. administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk

