

All Saints, Great Braxted
All Saints, Inworth
All Saints, Messing

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye
St Luke, Tolleshunt Knights with Tiptree
St Mary, Easthorpe

St Mary, Layer Breton with Birch
St Mary, Layer Marney
St Michael and All Angels, Copford



To be a transforming presence in our community, open and welcoming to all and serving all

Sunday 17th December 2023, The Third Sunday of Advent



Today's Services & Readings Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11*;
Psalm 126; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

St Mary, Easthorpe

9 am Holy Communion *Revd Jackson Crompton-Battersby*
Hymns 30, 32, 34

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw & Harold Toms*
Hymns 140, 288, 722, 449
9.30 am Sunday Club meet in the hall
4 pm Carol Service *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Holy Communion with Baptism of Florence Woodward
Led by Revd Liz Barnes
4 pm Carol Service *Revd Michael Hatchett*
Followed by mulled wine & mince pies

All Saints', Gt Braxted

11.15 am Carol Service *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

All Saints', Inworth

11.15 am Parish Communion *Revd Michael Hatchett*
Hymns 358, 198, 489, 307

Sunday Morning Resources Online *to find our sermons, readings & intercessions please visit our Team website: thurstablewinstreechurches.org*

If you would like to join our 9.30 am Sunday Service on Zoom, please contact

Next Sunday's Services – 24th December 2023 Christmas Eve



St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Holy Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw & Revd Christine Eaton*

4 pm Crib Service *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

11.30 pm Midnight Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

3.30 pm Crib Service *Revd Liz Barnes*

11 pm Midnight Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*

St Michael, Copford

5 pm Crib Service *Revd Jackson Crompton-Battersby*

11 pm Midnight Communion *Revd Jackson Crompton-Battersby*

All Saints', Inworth

6.30 pm Carol Service *Harold Toms*

St Mary, Layer Breton

6.30 pm Crib Service *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

All Saints', Gt Braxted

10 pm Midnight Communion *Revd Christine Newmarch & Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

The Ministry Team wish everyone a peaceful Christmas and
a hopeful new year.

Week of Mon 18th to 23rd December in our Churches:

Mon 11 am Coffee at The Exchange, Tiptree – *just turn up on the day*
Mon 6 pm Tiptree Heath School Carol Service, at St Luke's
Tue 9 am Morning Prayer, St Luke's
Tue 1.45 pm St Luke's School Christingle Service
Tue 6 pm Community Carol Singing outside the Hare & Hounds,
In Layer Breton
Wed - no Morning Prayer today (St Luke's)
Thur 9 am Morning Prayer, St Luke's
Thur 5 pm Nativity at Layer Marney, all welcome. We begin at the
Church and move into the barn during the Nativity.

St Luke's Tiptree, regular events this week:

Morning Prayer: 9 am on Tuesday & Thursday this week, **not on Wed.**
Mon, 9.15 am Parent & Toddler; Mon, 7.30 pm Bible Study on Zoom; Wed
7.30 pm St Luke's Choir Practice; Thur, 10 am Holy Communion; Thur 2-4
pm Tiptree Food-bank is open (at Tiptree URC, Chapel Road)

Diary Dates & News

Angel Festival at St Michael's, Copford here are some of the over 1000 angels floating from the rafters at the Church. We are open for viewing and visitors daily until 25th February, plus interactive Prayer Stations.

After this week, there will be no Morning Prayer at St Luke's until Tuesday, 9th January, we are meeting at 9 am this Tuesday & Thursday only.

Tiptree Foodbank, please note that we are not open on Thursday 28th December.

Games Afternoons at St Luke's, FoSL, the Friends of St Luke's have fixed two new dates for these in the hall. At 2pm on Friday 29th December and Friday 26th January. *Everyone welcome.*

Tiptree Food Bank this week we are in need of children's toothpaste, men's razors, female sanitary products, laundry detergent, kitchen cleaner, toilet cleaner & shaving gel. Thank you all for your help.

Donations can be left at the URC and in the yellow box at St Luke's.

If you know of anyone struggling to afford food, pass them our details.



Christmas Services

Carol Services

Sunday 17th December, 11.15am, Carol Service, All Saints', Great Braxted
Sunday 17th December, 4 pm, Carol Service, St Luke's, Tiptree
Sunday 17th December, 4 pm at St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye
Christmas Eve, Sunday 24th December, 6.30pm All Saints' Church, Inworth

Layer Marney Nativity, Thursday 21st December, 5 pm

Join us as we tell the Nativity story with carols, mince pies and mulled wine in St Mary's Church and the barn at Layer Marney Tower. We will have a collection for British Red Cross Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territory Appeal. All welcome.

Crib Services, Christmas Eve, Sunday 24th December

3.30pm St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye; 4 pm at St Luke's Church, Tiptree;
5 pm St Michael & All Angels, Copford; 6.30 pm St Mary, Layer Breton

Midnight Communion, Sunday 24th December

10 pm All Saints', Gt Braxted; 11 pm St John the Baptist Layer de la Haye;
11 pm St Michael & All Angels, Copford; 11.30pm St Luke's, Tiptree

Christmas Day Services, Monday 25th December

9 am Holy Communion, St Mary, Easthorpe
9 am Family Communion, All Saints' Messing
9 am Holy Communion with Baptism of Tallulah Jones, St Mary, Layer Marney
10 am Family Communion, St Luke's, Tiptree
10.30 am Family Communion, St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye
11.15am Family Communion, All Saints', Inworth

St Luke's Congregational Christmas Cards

You are invited to pin your Christmas cards to the congregation in the lobby, in lieu of a donation to church funds. If you would like to send a 'Virtual Christmas message' please send these to Christine Hall by Tuesday 19th December. 07421 078981 thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com

Open Door Magazine, December & January issue, copies are available in church, or from the website: www.tk-tiptree-braxted-benefice.org.uk/opendoor.html

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