

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 18th February 2024, First Sunday of Lent

Today's Services & Readings Genesis 9:8-17*; Psalm 25:1-10;
1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15

St Mary, Easthorpe

9 am Holy Communion *Revd Christine Newmarch*

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*
Hymns 821, 65, 526, 558, 465, 834 & *Harold Toms*
9.30 am Sunday Club, in the Extension

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Holy Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*
Hymns 133, 45, 341, 352

All Saints', Inworth

11.15 am Parish Communion *Revd Jackson Crompton Battersby*

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 Christine Hall by Thursday lunchtime, thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com 07421 078981

[See over page for events & our weekly notices for the coming week ...](#)

Next Sunday's Services – 25th February 2024, Second Sunday of Lent

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Holy Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Morning Praise *Nick Clarke*

St Michael, Copford

10.30 am Holy Communion *Revd Jackson Crompton Battersby*

All Saints', Messing

11.15 am Parish Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

Please note: there are no regular services at All Saints' Gt Braxted during the colder weather, until Easter Day

Watch and Pray - this years' Church of England Lent Resources:

'Wisdom and hope for Lent and life' find out more by following the link to their website: www.churchofengland.org/faith-calling/what-we-believe/lent-holy-week-and-easter/watch-and-pray-resources-lent-2024

Church weekday opening times for private prayer & visitors:

please check the Team website: thurstablewinstreechurches.org and click on the drop-down menu, 'Our Churches'.



Week of Mon 19th to Sat 24th February in our Churches:

Mon	1.45 pm	Funeral of Howard Redgewell, Colchester Crematorium
Tue	10 am	Tiptree House Groups meet at Jenny & Christine's
Tue	2 pm	Funeral of Paul Reeve, at Messing
Wed	10 am	World Day of Prayer Planning Meeting, Tiptree Rectory
Wed	2 pm	Messing PCC meeting
Wed	8 pm	Lent Bible Study 1, at Tiptree URC
Wed	8 pm	Village Voices, in the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Layer de la Haye. Details from Debbie: dwalsham63@gmail.com
Thur	8 pm	Lent Bible Study 1, at St John Houghton Church, Tiptree
Fri	11.45 am	Funeral of Michael Cleary at Copford
Fri	2 pm	Games Afternoon at St Luke's – everyone welcome!

St Luke's Tiptree, regular events this week:

Morning Prayer: 9 am on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

Mon, 9.15 am Parent & Toddler; Wed 7.30 pm Choir Practice; Thur, 10 am Holy Communion & join us for coffee across the road at 'The Exchange'; Thur 2-4 pm Tiptree Food-bank is open (at Tiptree URC, Chapel Road)

Diary Dates & News

The Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal 2024, this year the appeal is supporting the Diocese of Jerusalem's Healthcare Ministry, which covers five different countries/territories providing care for all living there. Donations can be made on-line: www.chelmsford.anglican.org/about-us/our-faith-in-action/bishop-of-chelmsford-lent-appeal-2024 or by bank transfer. Details from Christine Hall.

Lent Bible Studies in Tiptree, 'Getting close to Jesus' beginning on 21st/22nd February. Wednesday evenings, 8 pm at Tiptree URC and Thursday mornings, 11 am, at St John Houghton RC Church. *More information on the flyer.*

The World Day of Prayer is Friday 1st March, this year's service is prepared by women of Palestine. Everyone is invited to join us for the planning meeting, Wednesday, 21st February 10 am, at Tiptree Rectory. All welcome.

Games Afternoon at St Luke's, the Friends of St Luke's invite you to join them at 2 pm in the hall on Friday 23rd February. The cost is £3, including coffee, tea & biscuits and good company! There are lots of different games to choose from including cribbage, Cluedo, Scrabble, Mah-jong and many more.

Tiptree Food Bank – thank you to all who donated in the past week

This week we need: laundry detergent and adult toothpaste.

You can bring donations to: the United Reformed Church, Thursdays from 2-4 pm, St Luke's Church in the yellow box any day 9 am to 4 pm or the Factory Shop.

Monday Night Bible Study, are taking a break until Monday 8th April, during Lent, and members may like to join the Tiptree Lent Bible Study.

Thank you to everyone who came to the Pancakes & Puddings evening at St Luke's – we raised £145 for church funds, and enjoyed a good evening.

Lunch at The Exchange, Tiptree, Monday February 26th at 12 noon, and every following fourth Monday of the month. Details from Christine & David Eaton.

Mothering Sunday Services, this year falls on Sunday 10th March. Services will be taking place at our regular Sunday morning times in Tiptree, Copford, Layer de la Haye, Layer Marney and Messing.

FoSL Quiz Night with Guest Hosts, ONLY TWO TABLES LEFT! Join Steve Scruton and Ian Wyatt from BBC Essex on Saturday 16th March, 7.30 pm, St Luke's Church hall. Tickets £5 each, bring your own drinks and nibbles. Contact Sandra Redgewell, foslbookings@gmail.com & 01621 819557 (with answer-machine).

Emergency Prayer Chain, we are a chain of people who have made a commitment to pray for others in urgent need. Prayer requests are sent out by email. If you would like to join the chain, please contact Anne-Marie.

Trip to the St Alban Pilgrimage, Saturday 22nd June, organised by Sheila Gunson at St Luke's. Each year the Cathedral organises a Pilgrimage to celebrate the life of St Alban on St Alban's Day, a very spectacular event and well worth seeing. The Preacher this year will be Bishop Guli. If you would like to join us (**open to everyone in our Team Churches**) please add your name to list in the lobby at St Luke's or email Christine Hall: thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com The cost of this day will be approx. £25 for the coach, depending on numbers.

The final service led by Revd Jackson at Copford, is at 10.30 am on Sunday 25th February, all are welcome to join us. Following the service at 11.30 am we shall be having refreshments. If you can help by bringing a plate of food to share, it would be much appreciated. Even though we are all very sad to see Jackson go, we want to wish him well with his next adventure in life, so please do come along to say farewell and Good Luck! Anne Whistler.

Get in touch – our contact details:

Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw, Team Rector

01621 815260 amlrenshaw@btinternet.com Day off – Friday

Revd Jackson Crompton-Battersby, Team Vicar

01206 443280 jcbvicar@gmail.com Working week: Sunday to Wednesday

News sheet & Team Administrator, Christine Hall: office hours – Tuesday 9.30 to 11.30 am & Thurs 10 am to 12.30 pm, and on 01621 819557. On Wednesdays from home, 10 am to 12.30 pm on 07421 078981 thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com & some Friday mornings

St Luke's Hall bookings: Gareth Williams, 01621 818069 hall.stluketiptree@btinternet.com