

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 25th February 2024, Second Sunday of Lent

Today's Services & Readings Genesis 17:1-7,15-16*; Psalm 22:22-30;
Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Holy Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*
Hymns 333, 70, 339, 148

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*
Hymns 19, 706, 66, 561, 36

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*
Hymns 15, 56, 478, 30

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 – 3rd March 2024, Third Sunday of Lent

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Family Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am All-age Worship *Revd Michael Hatchett &
All-age Worship Team*

All Saints', Inworth

11.15 am Matins *Harold Toms*

St Mary, Easthorpe

6 pm Evensong *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw &
Revd Michael Hatchett*

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 26th Feb to Sat 2nd March in our Churches:

- Mon 12 pm Lunch at the Exchange, Tiptree. Everyone welcome.
- Mon 2 pm Inworth PCC meeting
- Tue 8 pm Layer Marney PCC meeting
- Wed 8 pm Lent Bible Study 2, at Tiptree URC
- Wed 8 pm Village Voices, in the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Layer de la Haye. Details from Debbie: dwalsham63@gmail.com
- Thur 1.45 pm JB Tots meet in the Queen Elizabeth Hall (annexe) Layer de la Haye. Call Barbara, 734600 or Rina, 734495 (01206)
- Thur 8 pm Lent Bible Study 2, at St John Houghton Church, Tiptree
- Thur 8 pm Tiptree, Tolleshunt Knights & Great Braxted PCC meeting
- Fri 10 am World Day of Prayer Service, at Tiptree Roman Catholic Church. Everyone welcome.
- Fri 3 pm Messy Church meet at St Luke's, Tiptree after school.

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

Our final service with Revd Jackson at Copford, is today, Sunday 25th February at 10.30 am, everyone is welcome to join us. The service is followed by refreshments at 11.30 am. If you are able to bring a plate of food to share it will be much appreciated. We are all very sad to see Jackson go, but we want to wish him well with his next adventure in life, so please do come and join us to say farewell & Good Luck! Anne Whistler.

Lunch at The Exchange, Tiptree, join us on Monday February 26th at 12 noon. There is no need to book, and the Cost is: £13 for 2 courses & a hot drink.

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

Lent Bible Studies Week 2 in Tiptree, 'Getting close to Jesus' we meet on Wednesday 28th February, 8 pm at Tiptree URC and Thursday morning 29th February, 11 am at St John Houghton RC Church. *More details - see flier.*

Tiptree Food Bank – thank you to all who donated in the past week
this week we need: hand-wash and deodorant.

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

If you would like to take part in the dramatic Passion reading on Palm Sunday at St Luke's, please contact Anne-Marie.

Copy Deadline for the next issue of Open Door, please send your items for April & May to the Editor: m.borgartz@btinternet.com by Sunday 3rd March.

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.

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.

'The Narrow Road', by Paul Birch a powerful production about the Journey to Easter, presented by York-based Riding Lights Theatre Company. Taking place at Chelmsford Cathedral on Wednesday 13th March, at 7 pm. Admission is free, donations welcome. Find out more from the Cathedral website: www.chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk/events/event/the-narrow-road

FoSL Quiz Night with Guest Hosts, 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. **No tables available**, to join the reserve list contact Sandra: foslbookings@gmail.com & 01621 819557 (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. Every year the Cathedral organises a Pilgrimage to celebrate the life of St Alban on St Alban's Day, which is very spectacular. 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 the list in the lobby at St Luke's or email Christine Hall: thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com Cost: approx. £25.

Get in touch – our contact details:

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



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