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 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024, Epiphany

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Today's Services & Readings Isaiah 60:1-6\*;

Psalm 72:10-15; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer Graham Howlett

St Luke's, Tiptree

**9.30 am Family Communion** Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw

Hymns displayed on screen

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Morning Praise Nick Clarke

All Saints', Inworth

11.15 am Matins Harold Toms

Hymns 393, 41, 542, 537

St Mary, Easthorpe

**6 pm Evensong** Revd Jackson Crompton-Battersby &

Revd Michael Hatchett

Please note: no services at All Saints' Gt Braxted until Easter Day

<u>Sunday Morning Resources Online</u> to find our sermons, readings & intercessions please visit our Team website: <a href="mailto:thurstablewinstreechurches.org">thurstablewinstreechurches.org</a>

If you would like to join our 9.30 am Sunday Service on Zoom, please contact Christine Hall by Thursday lunchtime, 07421 078981 thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com

See over page for events & our weekly notices for the coming week ...

Next Sunday's Services – 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024, Epiphany 2 Plough Sunday



St Mary, Layer Marney

**9 am** Holy Communion Revd Christine Newmarch

St Luke's, Tiptree

**9.30 am Parish Communion** Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw

11 am Special Parochial Church Meeting to elect a new PCC for the

new parish of Tiptree with Tolleshunt Knights and Great

**Braxted** - more details over page....

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

**10.30 am** Holy Communion Revd Christine Newmarch

St Michael, Copford

**10.30 am** All-age Worship Revd Jackson Crompton Battersby

All Saints', Messing

11.15 am Morning Worship Anne Wild

Church weekday opening times for private prayer & visitors:

please check the Team website: <a href="mailto:thurstablewinstreechurches.org">thurstablewinstreechurches.org</a> and click on the drop-down menu, 'Our Churches'.

Week of Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> January in our Churches:		
Tue	10 am	Tiptree House Groups meet at Jenny & Christine's
Tue	2.30 pm	Messy Church Planning Meeting
Wed	10 am	Coffee Morning at Copford Church, 'til 12 noon
Wed	10 am	Funeral of Thelma Quin at St Luke's
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)
Fri	12.15 pm	Funeral of Ronald Dewey at St Luke's
Sat	3–5 pm	Spirit Café at Tiptree Community Centre
St Luke's Tiptree, regular events this week:		
Morning Prayer: 9 am on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday		
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 is open for viewing and visitors daily until 25<sup>th</sup> February, plus interactive Prayer Stations.

Open Door Magazine, the deadline for items for the February/March issue, is this Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> January. Any gueries please contact Martin, the Editor, m.borgartz@btinternet.com

Morning Prayer at St Luke's resumes this Tuesday, 9th January, we are meeting at 9 am - everyone welcome.

We are pleased to announce that as of 1<sup>st</sup> January, two of our parishes will merge to become the single parish of 'Tiptree with Tolleshunt Knights and Great Braxted' there will be a Special Parochial Church Meeting at 11 am on Sunday 14th January to elect a new PCC. Everyone on the Electoral Roll of either church should attend.

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, please do pass them our details.

Important Notice Regarding All Saints', Great Braxted: please note that due to low attendance and the high cost of heating the church, there will be no services at the Church from 1st January until Easter Day.

An Announcement from Bishop Roger and Archdeacon Ruth: "Jackson Crompton-Battersby has discerned that, although he has not been ministering in the Thurstable and Winstree Team for a long time, it is right for him and his family to move on at the end of June 2024. He has resigned from his post as Team Vicar and his final services in the team will be agreed in due course. We wish Jackson and his family every blessing as they prepare for their departure."

Tickets still available for the Community Barn Dance, at Copford Village Hall on Saturday 20th January, 7.30 pm. Raising funds for Copford & Easthorpe Churches & the British Heart Foundation. To book tickets £12.50 (over 16s only) call Julie 07887 690062 or Anne 07732 543615. Cash, cheque or bank transfer accepted payment guarantees your ticket! Closing date for tickets will be Wednesday 10th January - so book now to avoid disappointment!

Games Afternoons at St Luke's, FoSL, the Friends of St Luke's have their next session in the hall, at 2pm on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January. Everyone welcome.

Diary Date: Quiz Night raising funds for TYPO, Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January, 7.30 pm at St Luke's, Tiptree. The cost is £5 per head, contact foslbookings@gmail.com

Messy Church at St Luke's, next meet on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, from 3pm or as soon as you can make it after school until 5.30 pm. Includes activities, food, and a short service. All families with parents/carers welcome – there is no entry fee, but any donations towards running cost are always appreciated.

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