



Monthly Update

February 2026

(Services at St Agatha's unless otherwise stated)

Day and Date	Time / Event	Theme / Readings	Prayers are asked for...
Sunday 1 st February Epiphany 4 / Presentation of Christ in the Temple	4.30pm Family Service with Candlemas Christingle	Luke 2:22-40	St Mary's and St Leonard's, Wallingford; the residents of West End, Old Nursery Lane; Wallingford Community Hospital, Medical Practices & staff; all providers of our hymns and music.
Sunday 8 th February 2nd before Lent	11.00am Team Communion St Mary Magdalene, Crowmarsh	Genesis 1.1 - 2.3 Romans 8.18-25 Matthew 6.25-34	The Methodist Church, Wallingford; residents of Didcot Road & Old Didcot Road; AA, The Samaritans; The Village Hall Committee; those married in our churches / preparing for marriage
Sunday 15 th February Next before Lent	9.30am Parish Communion	Exodus 24.12-18 2 Peter 1.16-21 Matthew 17.1-9	The Wallingford Baptist Church; residents of Greenmere; The Volunteer Centre, Centre 70 & Day Care Centres; those baptised in our churches, their families and godparents.
Wednesday 18 th February Ash Wednesday	9.00am Communion Service		For the forgiveness of our sin
Sunday 22 nd February 1st Sunday of Lent	9.30am Family Communion	Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7 Romans 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11	The Friends Meeting House, Wallingford; residents of Kings Orchard; Brightwell and Wallingford Schools; our PCC and Churchwardens.
Sunday 1 st March Lent 2	9.30am Family Service	Genesis 12.1-4a Romans 4.1-5,13-17 John 3.1-17	The Ridgeway Community Church; residents of The Street, Brightwell; Sotwell Hill House, Westgate House Nursing Home and Mariot Court; Deanery Synod and Team Council Members.

Mid-week activities:

Tuesdays 7.00pm Bellringing Practice
 Wednesdays: 9.00am - Morning Prayer (in the Parish Room)
 10am-Noon – Coffee & Cake in the Parish Room, ***all are welcome!***

The Brightwell Emmaus House Group: continues to meet on alternate Thursdays (3.00- 4.30pm). Please contact Mina Barrett for further information.

Getting Involved:

We hope that all our church members are on our **Church Electoral Roll**. Please complete a form at the back of the church, especially if you have recently moved here. There are many opportunities to contribute to the life and work of our church, in worship and service to our community. We are currently looking for more **readers, intercessors, sidespeople and welcomers, bellringers, church cleaners, flower arrangers, cleaners, bulb changers, caterers, fundraisers, housegroup members, Street Pastors, collectors for Food Bank, assistants with children or youthwork** (requiring a DBS check), and many others. The church is always available to discuss how your unique gifts can be used to serve our community! Please contact the Churchwardens or Assistant Churchwarden for further information.

Prayer for the Vacancy:

Heavenly Father, we hold before you all who live and work in our Parishes of Brightwell cum Sotwell, Crowmarsh Gifford and Wallingford, and all who gather to worship you across the Wallingford Team Ministry. Lord Jesus, we know you have plans for our Team and we trust that those plans are good. Wise and Holy Spirit, guide those who are seeking the right priest to be our next Team Vicar and those who are seeking the right next step in their ministry with patience, vision and courage. Together may we discern your way for the future and be further equipped to grow your kingdom in this place.

Amen

Giving:

All donations to the mission and ministry of our church are very welcome: the majority of our members use the Parish Giving Scheme as it is the most efficient way of reclaiming Gift Aid - new forms are available at the welcome desk. We also accept hard cash!

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