





St Mary Magdalene's Monthly Update – January 2025

(Services in church unless otherwise stated)

Day / Date	Time / Event	Theme / Readings	Prayers are asked for...
Sunday 5 th January Epiphany	11am Family Service ----- 6.30pm Epiphany Carol Service (St Mary-le-More)	Matthew 2:1-12	St Mary's Church, Cholsey; residents of Bellamy Way, Benson Lane; The PTA and Governing Body of Crowmarsh School; Tom our Organist / Producers of Music and Hymns
Saturday 11 th January	10.30am - Noon Community Café at the Village Hall		Our village and community as we come together and build relationships
Sunday 12 th January Baptism of Christ	11am Parish Communion	Isaiah 43:1-7 Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3:15-17,21-22	Our own church of St Mary Magdalene; residents of Clacks Lane, Cox's Lane; Local Christian initiatives: The Foodbank, Street Pastors, CAP; Those married or preparing for marriage
Friday 17 th January	2.30pm Interment of Ashes (Newnham)		Nigel Betts RIP
Sunday 19 th January Epiphany 2	11am Parish Communion	Isaiah 62:1-5 1 Cor. 12:1-11 John 2:1-11	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18th-25th); residents of Crowmarsh Hill, Home Farm; Crowmarsh Pre-School; Bus and Taxi drivers; those baptised in our churches, their families and godparents
Sunday 26 th January Epiphany 3	11am Family Communion	1 Cor. 12:21-31a Luke 4:14-21	St John's RC Church, Wallingford; residents of Howbery Farm, Jethro Tull Gardens; the Emergency Services; Members of the PCC
Sunday 2 nd February Presentation of Christ in the Temple	11am Family Service	Luke 2:22-40	St Mary's and St Leonard's, Wallingford; residents of Lane End, Meadow Lane; for families and children facing difficult relationships; our Churchwarden, Linda

Other regular services:

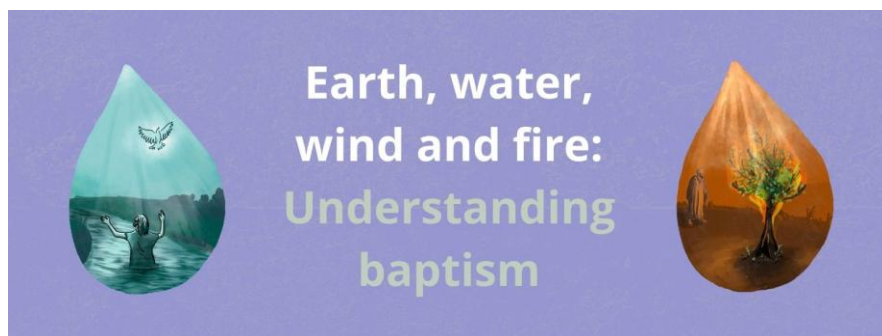
- Morning Prayer (CW) Fridays 9am / Evening Prayer (BCP) Sundays 4pm

The Crowmarsh House Group meets regularly on Thursdays at 2.30pm at Paul & Rosie Benham's home (30 Marshfield). Please ask them for more information.

Come and See during Lent!

Come and See is our Diocese's big, warm open invitation to an adventure in faith and trust. It's for everyone in the local church and the whole community. It's free of charge, and all are welcome. Each Lent, we delve into a new aspect of

Christian faith - this year we're looking at baptism and the themes of Earth, Water, Wind and Fire. It's perfect for new and old Christians alike, and can be done on your own, as a family, as a church, school or in a small group.



Everyone who registers receives a short daily email to reflect on, and a weekly video from Bishop Steven exploring the themes in a bit more detail. Register here: <https://mailchi.mp/oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see-2025>. We will be using the Come and See videos in our services with follow up available in our Emmaus group(s). Ask the Vicar if you'd be interested in a local Come and See group. You can also check out past years at any point on the Oxford Diocesan Learning Hub (<https://learn.oxford.anglican.org>), and journey through the video reflections online in your own time.

2024 Diary Dates:

Wed 5th March – 8pm Ash Wednesday Team Service (St Leonard's)

Sun 13th April – Palm Sunday Procession

Sun 20th April – Easter Sunday

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. Alternatively, you can give electronically with the option of Gift Aid, using this QR code on a smart phone. We also accept hard cash!



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