

DECEMBER COLLECT

Holy Thief, stealing away our false securities and idle vanity;
awaken us from the dull sleep that clings to empty fear and vacant
routine, unfold on us the time of crisis when love of truth floods a
thirsty world; through Jesus Christ the one who is to come. Amen.
(Prayers for an Inclusive Church © Steven Shakespeare 2008)

Common Worship Lectionary Readings for December 2019 (Year A begins)

1st December 1st Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 2: 1-5 Romans 13: 11-14 Matthew 24: 36-44	Purple
8th December 2nd Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 11: 1-10 Romans 15: 4-13 Matthew 3: 1-12	Purple
15th December 3rd Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 35: 1-10 James 5: 7-10 Matthew 11: 2-11	Purple
22nd December 4th Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 7: 10-16 Romans 1: 1-7 Matthew 1: 18-25	Purple
24th December Christmas Eve	Isaiah 9: 2-7 Titus 2: 11-14 Luke 2: 1-14 (15-20)	Gold or White
25th December Christmas Day	Isaiah 52: 7-10 Hebrews 1: 1-4 (5-12) John 1: 1-14	Gold or White
29th December 1st Sunday of Christmas	Isaiah 63: 7-9 Hebrews 2: 10 – end Matthew 2: 13 - end	White

Shires Edge Benefice



All Saints, Gt. Bourton

December 2019

St James the Great, Claydon, St Mary the Virgin, Cropredy
All Saints, Great Bourton, All Saints, Mollington
St Mary Magdalene, Wardington

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Services for December 2019

1st December Advent Sunday, Year A begins

Claydon	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	HC
Cropredy	9.30 am	Holy Communion	HC
Gt. Bourton	Visiting Sunday		
Mollington	11.00 am	Holy Communion	HC
Wardington	10.00 am	Family Christingle Service	SU

8th December 2nd Sunday of Advent

Cropredy	4.00 pm	Christingle	HC
Gt. Bourton	10.00 am	United Benefice HC	HC

15th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

Claydon	4.00 pm	Carol Service	HC
Cropredy	10.00 am	Seeker Service	SC/RC
Gt. Bourton	11.00 am	Holy Communion	HC
Mollington	Visiting Sunday		
Wardington	6.00 pm	Carol Service	HC

22nd December 4th Sunday of Advent

Claydon	9.30 am	Holy Communion	HC
Cropredy	6.00 pm	Carol Service	HC
Gt. Bourton	4.00 pm	Carol Service	SU
Mollington	6.00 pm	Carol Service	SU
Wardington	8.30 am	BCP HC	HC

24th December Christmas Eve

Claydon	4.00 pm	Crib Service	HC
Cropredy	3.00 pm	Crib Service	VW
	11.00 pm	Midnight Mass	HC
Gt. Bourton	6.00 pm	Crib Service	HC
Mollington	6.00 pm	Christingle and Crib Service	SU
Wardington	4.00 pm	Crib Service	SU
	11.00pm	Midnight Mass	MP

25th December Christmas Day

Claydon	9.30 am	Holy Communion	HC
Gt. Bourton	11.00 am	Holy Communion	HC

29th December 1st Sunday of Christmas

Cropredy	9.30 am	Holy Communion	HC
	12.00 pm	Baptism	HC

Note: MP – Revd. Michael Price

BIBLE STUDY

Our last meeting in 2019 on Wednesday 11th December
Please call Val Peachey (750739)

Midweek Services

Tuesdays 12 noon Iona Communion at Cropredy on
3rd, 17th December, No service 10th, 24th or 31st December

Morning Prayer – Wednesdays at 9am on

4th December - Cropredy
11th December – Gt. Bourton
18th December – Mollington

Special Services note

Benefice carol services and Christingle services will support
Embrace the Middle East and the Children's Society respectively
through collections taken at these services, or through retiring collections.

Parish Events for your Diary

4th December– Claydon Beetle Drive – 2.30 pm

7th December – Mollington Christmas Fayre
1-5pm Village Hall

8th December – Gt. Bourton Annual Festival of Fun
The Bell 6pm. Carols / Raffle

Collection for Sunshine Centre, Banbury

10th December - Claydon Little Lights 10.30 am – 12 noon
Visit to Oak Woodland learning meet at the Church

16th December – Cropredy Church Rooms 6-7pm
Mindfulness Drop In

19th December – Wardington – Carol singing – Upper Pool 6pm
19th December – Christmas Drop-in at the Vicarage 6.30 – 9.30 pm

We pray for this time of watching,

waiting and preparation for the mystery of Christmas.

*We pray for those for whom this time is full of painful memories
or brings a burden of high expectations.*

*Come, Holy Child: greet us on our streets, meet us at home and at work,
teach us to pray and do not hide from our need.*

*May your chuckle bring us hope, may your tears make us long for peace,
may your arrival be the joy of the world. (Rachel Mann 2015)*