



Sunday 11 January Epiphany 1

Theme for today

Today we celebrate The Baptism of Christ our Lord and the coming down of the Holy Spirit. Our Acts reading is a useful summary of the Gospel from which we can learn.

Services This Sunday

9.00am	Holy Communion CW Rev Tim Ward	Acts 10 v 34-43 Matthew 3 v 13-end
10.30am	I Sing Morning Praise Rev Tim Ward	Acts 10 v 34-43 Matthew 3 v 13-end
5.00pm	Families at 5 Julie Allday	2 Kings 5 - video

Set Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Please pray for Rocco Richards' Family, especially for his brother Levi, along with, Fliss Davies for strength & healing.

Pray for our Community:

Hedgers Hill and Havenwood Park, Binsted

ST MARYS EVENTS

Tuesday 13 January

8.15am Zoom Parish Prayer Meeting. Please email Tim Ward vicar@stmaryswalberton.org.uk if you need a link which stays the same throughout the month.

9.00am Churchyard Working Party. Churchyard working group working today. Come and join the happy band of loppers. Contact Peter Brown 551829.

9.15am Outreach Action Group at Julie's house at 10 Collins Close.

7.30pm Games Evening at 10 Collins Close. Please speak to Peter Allday if you are interested. Tel: 544615.

Wednesday

Morning Home Group is not meeting this week.

Thursday 15 January

10.00am Little Lambs for pre-school children, babes and their carers. Come and enjoy songs, crafts, story, coffee and chat with Alison Phillips.

Friday 16 January

10.30am Coffee Stop. Come and enjoy tea and coffees and a chat in the Pavillion. £2 donation requested - all profits go to charity. Post Office is open from 9am –12 noon.

Tuesday 3 February

6.00pm Binsted PCC at the Old Rectory.

6.45pm for 7.00pm Listening to God at **Vanessa's house**.

Please email vchurch@btopenworld.com. Come for half an hour of silent contemplation.

Thursday 5 February

7.00pm Walberton PCC at the Church.

Wednesday 18 February

6.30pm Holy Communion with imposition of ashes at walberton

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEWS

~ The Church Christmas card Thank you for the wishes you sent to one another through our church card. We raised £92.00 for The Snowdrop Trust.

~ **AV project at St Mary's** As church members will know a sub-group of the PCC has been working on a project to upgrade St Mary's audiovisual equipment. We plan to have modern loudspeakers, projector, screen etc which will both improve the quality of what we see and hear, and also reduce risks by removing trailing electric cables and eliminating the need for the projector to be in the main aisle. We are almost ready to submit our faculty application to the diocese to progress the work. The cost will be around £25 000 with funding **underpinned by the legacies we received last year.** We'll also approach some grant-making charities and ask for support from the congregation. If you would like to ask any questions please approach Tim, Jean, Steve, Martin or Brendan.

~ Giving envelopes If you would like to start using giving envelopes Please let Tom Evans know 544672.

~ Binsted Calendars for 2026 are now available at the cost of £10.00 each or 5 for £45.00. This year is to raise funds for urgent Church repairs. Please contact Sandra Cooke at sdpcooke@gmail.com or Carolyn Coles on 01243 814608.

~ Helplines: The Diocese recommends Childline on 0800 1111 for children who need to talk about personal issues and Kidscape on 020 78235430 for parents' advice on bullying etc.

~ **GIVING:** To give by cheque please make a cheque payable to '**Walberton PCC**' or to give electronically through our bank account use '**your name**' & '**StM**' as the reference

Account Name: Walberton PCC

Sort Code: 60-01-18 Account No: 67502865.

Our Vision

"We aim to be a growing church: growing in the love of God as we grow in prayer, in understanding of our faith, and in the use of the gifts each has been given; growing in love for our community as we grow in service, in sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ"

Services for Next Week

18 January - Epiphany 2

9.00am Mattins	John Manning
10.30am Informal Communion CW	John Manning
6.00pm Holy Communion CW	Rev Tim Ward

CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer

Parish News Deadline for the Feb 2025 issue is Jan 10
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Charity Registration Number 1175197

Newsheet deadline:
Thursdays 9.30am

Office Open:
Weds, Thurs & Fri
9.00am -11.00am

Out of Office Hours:
Rev. Tim Ward
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LARGE-PRINT COPIES OF HYMN, SERVICE BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE;
PLEASE ASK A SIDESMAN.
A WHEELCHAIR IS ALSO AVAILABLE.