

Benefice of Ruscombe & Twyford with Hurst

Shaped, trusting, growing in Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit

Sundays 4th & 11th and Wednesday 14th February 2024
Candlemas, Sunday next before Lent & Ash Wednesday

St Mary's Twyford;		St Nicholas' Hurst	
4th Feb 10.30am	Family Service Luke 2:22,25a,27-32	4th Feb 11.00am	Holy Communion (Revd Graham Theobald) Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40
11th Feb 10.30am	Worship for All (Revd Helen Charlton) 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9	11th Feb 11.00am	Morning Worship Matthew 22:34-40
St James' Ruscombe		Twyford U.R.C.	
4th Feb 9.00am	No Service	4th Feb 10.30am	Morning Service (Revd Gordon Connell) Mark 1:29-39 Mark 14:32-42
11th Feb 9.00am	Holy Communion (Revd Graham Theobald) 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9	11th Feb 10.30am	Morning Service (Linda Jackson) Mark 1:40-45
14th Feb (Wed) 7.45pm	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion (Revd Helen Charlton) Joel 2:12-17 Matthew 6:16-21		



Church Family News

LENT 2024 Ruscombe and Twyford Churches: This year's programme of focus during Lent will be the 5 Marks of Mission, as developed by the Anglican Consultative Council in 1984, amended in 2012 (to include the need for Christians to challenge violence and work for peace) and adopted by many dioceses and other denominations.

TELL - TEACH - TEND - TRANSFORM - TREASURE

- *To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom*
- *To teach, baptise and nurture new believers*
- *To respond to human need by loving service*
- *To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation*
- *To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth*

Various resources have been circulated to the home groups and there will be themed sermons commencing just before Lent on February 11th.

THANK YOU FROM YELDALL MANOR: We have had a lovely letter thanking you all for the beautifully wrapped gifts and money which made so much difference to their residents at Christmas.

DIOCESAN NEWS: Bishop Olivia will retire on 30th September 2024 after five years of dedicated service.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Lunch

12.00-1.30pm on Tuesday 13th February
at Twyford URC

Soup, bread, pancakes
with a choice of fillings
and hot drinks: £5

Everyone welcome





Prayer



We pray for all who are ill and in need of God's healing, in particular:

Judy, Steven, Chris, Lizzy, Ted, Eldred, Peter, Paul, Joan, Clara, Sharon, John, Tony and Anne.

Please email or ring the church office to be included in this section.

*In the face of Jesus Christ,
your light and glory have blazed forth,
O God of all the nations;
with all your people,
may we make known your grace,
and walk in the ways of peace;
for your name's sake. Amen*

Sonning Deanery Prayer Cycle February 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

Post Christmas Meal: Sunday 4th February 12.30pm at Twyford URC.

4x4 Adventures: Monday February 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th from 7.45-9.15pm at St Mary's Church Centre.

Over 60s Club: Wednesday 7th February 1.45pm-4.00pm at St Mary's Church Centre - Seated Exercise.

Friendship Club: Tuesday 13th February 1.45pm at Twyford URC Schoolroom - AGM and music.

Over 60s Club: Wednesday 21st February 1.45pm at St Mary's Church Centre - AGM & Silver Time Estate Planning.

Midweek Communion: Thursday February 22nd 10.30am at St Mary's Church Centre.

ZOOM: We have 2 regular weekly zoom events: Tuesday 9.30am Morning Prayer and Sunday 6pm Village Prayers. Please use the link in the weekly email or contact the church office for more information.

ADDITIONAL EVENTS AND NEWS: Please email office@thru-christ.org.uk if you have any church events, clubs or notices that you would like to be included in this news sheet or would like to promote your group etc.

Next Week: Sunday 18th February - First Sunday of Lent

St Mary's Twyford

10.30am **Holy Communion (Revd Helen Charlton)**

St Nicholas' Hurst

11.00am **Holy Communion (Revd Marina Brain)**

St James' Ruscombe

9.00am **Morning Prayer (Alan Gwynn)**

Twyford U.R.C.

10.30am **Holy Communion (Revd Gordon Connell)**

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