

# Benefice of Ruscombe & Twyford with Hurst

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

**Sundays 19th and 26th November 2023**  
**Second Sunday before Advent and Christ the King**

St Mary's Twyford		St Nicholas' Hurst	
19th Nov	<b>Holy Communion (John Boylan)</b>	19th Nov	<b>Holy Communion (Revd Graham Theobald)</b>
10.30am	Exodus 33:12-23 Matthew 22:15-22	11.00am	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 22:1-14
26th Nov	<b>LEP Service (Linda Jackson)</b>	26th Nov	<b>Messy Church</b>
10.30am	Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46	11.00am	
St James' Ruscombe		Twyford U.R.C.	
19th Nov	<b>Morning Prayer (John Boylan)</b>	19th Nov	<b>Holy Communion (Revd Gordon Connell)</b>
9.00am	Exodus 33:12-23 Matthew 22:15-22	10.30am	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 22:1-14
26th Nov	<b>Holy Communion (Revd Graham Theobald)</b>	26th Nov	<b>No Service</b> ( <i>LEP Service at St Mary's</i> )
9.00am	Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46	10.30am	



## Church Family News

**Twyford Christmas Fayre 6-9pm Friday 1st December:** Help would be very much appreciated to fill half hour slots on the LEP stall in the village. The stall will feature a game with prizes in exchange for donations to Woodley Foodbank. Please speak to Linda Jackson.

We also need volunteers to help with the activities in St Mary's Church. Additionally, please drop off any nativity sets you would like to lend to add to the display beforehand (in the boxes at the back of the church) or bring on the day at 4pm. Please contact Lottie Bailey if you have any queries or to make arrangements (07413 385418).



### Gift Sunday for Yeldall Manor 10.30am Sunday 3rd December at Twyford URC:

You are invited to buy a gift for residents' stockings, so we would love to receive SMALL items such as stationery, books, pocket games, men's clothing (eg: scarves, gloves, underpants, socks), quality men's toiletries, confectionery, and other stocking fillers. If you would like to wrap the items, please add a post-it note indicating the contents. Please note that NO alcohol should be included in the gifts, even in chocolate. Your gifts will be delivered to Yeldall in the week commencing 11th December. Alternatively, you may buy a gift for the community at [www.amazon.co.uk/registries/gl/guest-view/Q99V18QD7ACX](http://www.amazon.co.uk/registries/gl/guest-view/Q99V18QD7ACX) or contribute towards their Christmas & New Year expenditure via [justgiving.com/campaign/christmas-2023](http://justgiving.com/campaign/christmas-2023). All support is very much appreciated.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**4 x 4 Adventures:** Monday 20th November 7.45 - 9.15pm, St Mary's Church Corner Room.

**Friendship Club:** Tuesday 21st November 1.45pm - Cold but friendly, my trip to Antarctica (Linda Jackson).

**Nine Lessons and Carols Choir Rehearsals:** 30th November & 7th December 7.30 - 9.00pm.

**Twyford Christmas Fayre:** Friday 1st December 6.00 - 9.00pm, London Road and St Mary's Church.

**St Nicholas Church Hurst Christmas Fair:** Saturday 2nd December 11am - 3pm at Hurst Village Hall.

**THRU Meets Freeze It:** Sunday 3rd December 3pm St Mary's Church Centre. Watch & Sing A Long to "Frozen"

# CHRISTMAS SERVICES

## Ruscombe, Twyford & Hurst

Wishing you a time of peace and hope this Christmas.  
Please feel free to join us at any of the services.

Gift Sunday for Yeldall Manor	3 December, 10.30 am Twyford URC
Messy Christingle	10 December, 11.00 am St Nicholas', Hurst
Service of Nine Lessons & Carols	10 December, 6.00 pm St Mary's, Twyford
Service of Nine Lessons & Carols	17 December, 10.30 am Twyford URC

### Christmas Eve

Holy Communion	9.00 am, St James', Ruscombe
Crib Service	3.30 pm, St Mary's, Twyford
Crib Service	4.00 pm, St Nicholas', Hurst
Carols for All	7.00 pm, St Mary's, Twyford
Midnight Communion	11.30 pm, St Nicholas', Hurst

### Christmas Day

Christmas All Age Holy Communion	10.00 am, St Mary's, Twyford
Christmas Holy Communion	11.00 am, St Nicholas', Hurst
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Christmas Celebration Service	31st December 10.30 am Twyford URC

Information correct at time of printing. Please check the website for latest information



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## Prayer



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

Lizzy, Hope, Eldred, Ted, Peter, Paul, Joan, Clara, Sharon, John, Tony and Anne.

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

**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.

## Next Week: Sunday 3rd December - First Sunday of Advent

St Mary's Twyford		St Nicholas' Hurst	
10.30am	Family Service	11.00am	Holy Communion
St James' Ruscombe		Twyford U.R.C.	
9.00am	No Service	10.30am	Gift Sunday

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