



Sunday 22nd-29th December 2024
 @ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock



The Vicar writes:

This is the last notice sheet for 2024, and covers Sundays 22nd and 29th, and the Christmas services. Please note that the Crib service at PPT this year is at **4pm**, and that the Farmyard Crib service is at Stickwick Farm, Hennock (TQ13 9PR). The lighting project has made good progress, and some of the new lights are now operational, but the project will not be completed until mid-January. Midweek services will resume on Thursday 2 January.

May I wish you all a joyful and peaceful Christmas season!

yours in Christ,
 Graham

22nd		Advent 4: A Royal Line
		Bible readings- Romans 1.1-7, Matthew 1.1-18
	9.30am	Sunday Praise: Canon Michael Sansom
	11.00am	Holy Communion: Canon Michael Sansom
	5.00pm	Carol Service: Mr Mark Alexander
	7.00pm	14-18's Christmas Party in Church room.
St Mary's		Bible readings :
	3.00pm	Carol Service: Rev Graham Hamilton
23 Mon	9.00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Tue 24th Dec		Christmas Eve
		Bible readings: Hebrews 1.1-12, John 1.1-14
	3.00pm	Nativity in the Barn (Stickwick Farm TQ13 9PR)
PPT	4.00pm	Crib Service: Rev Graham Hamilton
PPT	11.00pm	Midnight Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton
25th Dec		Christmas Day
		Bible readings: Isaiah 62.6-12, Matthew 1.18-end
PPT	9.30am	Christmas Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton
St Mary's	11.00am	Christmas Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton
29th		First Sunday after Christmas
		Bible readings: Jeremiah 31.15-17, Matthew 2.13-end
	9.30am	Social in Church Room (details inside notice sheet)
	11.00am	Holy Communion: Canon Michael Sansom
January 2025		
2 Thu	7.00am	Men's Prayer Breakfast
3 Fri	9.00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
5th		Epiphany: We two kings...
		Bible readings: Isaiah 60.1-6, Matthew 2.1-12,
	9.30am	Sunday Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton
	11.00am	Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

5.00pm Prayer & Praise : Rev Graham Hamilton

St Mary's

11.00am Bible Readings: Isaiah 60.1-6, Matthew 2.1-12,
Morning Worship: Mr Graham Whittle

Please join us for Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9.00am on Mondays and Fridays. It lasts no more than half an hour. It's simple to join: just click [here](#) to join Morning Prayer, or enter the ID 986 2130 8247 and Passcode: 102020

New to PPT? We email this bulletin every week (with working hyper-links) to the members of the Church Family Roll. If you would like to receive this, to join the electoral roll, or find out more what it means to be part of the church family, then please complete a "Connect" card in church, or email office@pptbovey.church

Mission focus for December is Bovey Tracey Youth Cafe. All gifts in the collection plate or using Contactless go to our monthly mission focus. Gifts in yellow Gift Aid envelopes are for the general church funds.

Catechism Question: What were the first man and the first woman like?

A: God created the first man and the first woman perfect and good.

Ecclesiastes 7.29: This only have I found: God created mankind upright, but they have gone in search of many schemes."

Genesis 1.31: "God saw all that he had made, and it was very good."

Sunday Praise 9.30am Sunday 29th Dec.

On Sunday 29th December there will be a 9.30am social in the church rooms instead of our usual service- pastries, hot drinks and a time of fellowship.

The children are fundraising for an extension to the patio area and wearing their PJs!

Bring a £1 donation! (Adults don't have to wear PJs unless they want to!)

Simply Christianity is a relaxed opportunity to read through one gospel -the gospel of Luke- and get back to the roots of Christian faith, in the person and teaching of Jesus himself. Graham will lead five sessions, starting on Friday 10th January 2025 at 7.30pm in the Church Room. There will be lots of time to ask all the questions you want, over coffee and cake. Contact Graham if you are interested.

Malawi Missions: Miss Suzanne Crow will be giving a presentation about her work with YWAM in Malawi on Thursday 16 January at 6pm in the Wickham Hall, Bovey Tracey. She will speak briefly about her work on Sunday 5 January at the morning services.

Prayer List: John Ayre, Susie Beauchamp, Robbie Beauchamp, Julie Bowen, Nina Coleby-Clarke, Hillary Ellery, Barry Jarvis, Rachel Knightly, Molly Lockley, Brian and Marguerite Mason, Noah Maynard, Ronald Percy, Anthony Sammons, Charlotte Swan, Zita and Gaynor Taylor, Rose Tyrrell

In Memory

Fourth Sunday of Advent

God our redeemer,
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The First Sunday of Christmas

Almighty God,
who wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us
through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Study questions will resume from 5 January

Mon 23 Dec Ps 130, Isaiah 52.13-end of 53.
Give thanks for the Monday group who work each Monday morning to keep the church and grounds in good order
Tue 24 Dec: Ps 45, Isaiah 54
Pray for the Crib services at Stickwick Farm and in PPT, and the Christmas Communion services over Christmas, that the gospel message would bear fruit among those who attend
Wed 25 Dec Ps110, Isaiah 62.1-5 Give thanks that through the birth of Jesus Christ we were given the gifts of love, hope and joy and pray that the memory of His birth would restore peace to our world.
Thur 26 Dec Ps 13, Acts 6, St Stephen
Give thanks for those like Stephen who gave their lives to proclaim the gospel, and pray that the blood of the martyrs may still be the seed of new gospel growth.
Fri 27 Dec Ps 21, Exodus 33.12-end. Pray for the parish of St John the Evangelist, Bovey Tracey, St Catherine's School, Heathfield and St Luke's Milber, and Fr Matthew Cashmore that they may flourish in the service of Christ
Sat 28 Dec Ps 36, Genesis 37.13-20 Holy innocents
Pray for children and all civilians caught up in conflict, persecution, and driven from their homes as refugees or asylum seekers. For fair and wise policies to receive them.
Sun 29 Dec: Ps 105.1-11, Isaiah 41.21-42.1 Thomas Becket
Give thanks for Thomas Becket, who resisted state interference in the Church, and pray for good relations and understanding between church and state.

Mon 30 Dec Ps 113, Isaiah. 59.1-15a Pray that as the New Year begins that our eyes will be fixed on Jesus, that we would be spiritually refreshed, follow God's word daily and that we will be led to love our needy world.

Tue 31 Dec: Ps 102, Isaiah 59:15b-end. Ps John Wyclif

Give thanks for the courage and scholarship of John Wyclif who first translated the scriptures into English, and pray that every tribe and nation may have access to the bible in their own language. Pray that we may be more diligent in studying the bible daily.

Wed 1 Jan Ps 103, Genesis 17.1-13 Circumcision of Jesus

Give thanks for Jesus, who fulfilled the demands of the law in order to bring us freedom from sin to worship in spirit and truth.

Thurs 2 Jan Ps 18.1-30, Isaiah 60.1-12.

Give thanks that the Christian Institute are preparing the ground for a judicial review of any new laws on Conversion Therapy that restrict religious freedom.

Fri 3 Jan Ps 127, Isaiah 60.13-end

Give thanks for the daily pattern of prayers, online and in person at PPT, and pray that we may all develop a more helpful discipline of personal and corporate prayer and bible reading.

Sat 4 Jan Ps 89.1-37, Isaiah 61. Pray for all the children, teachers and staff members as they prepare to return to school to start a new term. Pray for all those children not in school and that those who choose to home school will be well equipped to do so.

Sun 5 Jan Ps 87, Isaiah 12.

Pray for Suzanna Crow working with YWAM in Malawi, and giving a short presentation at the morning services today to raise more support.

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