



**ADVENT SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
 'Refresh' – social action from home

**10:30am Sung Eucharist**

**4:00pm - Christingle Service** - a special service for all the family. Come along and find out what the symbols of the Christingle mean. There will be treats and drinks after the short service. Collection in aid of The Children's Society.



Scan to donate directly to the Children's Society.



**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:30 – 11:30am Goldies**  
 Come along and enjoy songs from the 50's onwards



**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:00am – 1:00pm Christmas Fayre.**  
 Featuring lots of stalls, refreshments, games, tombola, Christmas bargains, dance performances and a Chocolate Factory theme along with a special guest. Hot lunches for sale from midday.



**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
**8:30am Rise & Shine**  
 'Mary's Munches' Breakfast



**10:30am Holy Communion**



**2:30pm Shirehampton Area Choir Concert.** Retiring collection in aid of St Mary's Church, Shirehampton. Mince pies and mulled wine available during the interval.

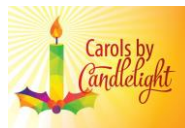


**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
**8:30am Rise & Shine 'Rooted'** – interactive Bible exploration with coffee & breakfast pastries



**10:30am Holy Communion**

**6pm Carol Service** – come to hear the Christmas story, sing carols by candlelight and be filled by the wonder of the season. Mince pies, mulled wine & hot chocolate available after the service. **Come see the Christmas Tree display. Why not bring a tree to display? (bring in by the 13<sup>th</sup> please).**



**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December – no coffee morning.**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**  
**4pm Christmas Movie Pop-Up afternoon** for children, with an adult per family please.



Christmas movie, popcorn and snack bar, board games. Free event.



**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
**6 – 7 pm Carols by Disco Light**



Grab your flashing head bands, funky Christmas accessories and Christmas Jumpers and join us under the disco lights for a good dance and sing along to remixed versions of classic Christmas carols! Light refreshments served after the service. Suitable for people of all ages.

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 10:30am**  
**Carol Singing for Christian Aid** inside St Mary's  
 All most welcome to join us and sing.



**7pm**  
**The Longest Night Service**

This simple service, with readings, prayers and carols, acknowledges the pain, loss and anxieties of life that many of us live. In the midst of struggle, we find hope in the Christ Child.



**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**  
**10:30am Worship for All service**





**Christmas Eve Tuesday  
24<sup>th</sup> December**  
**4pm Crib Service.** Help us to unravel the true story of Christmas, including a nativity play for all the family. Come dressed as your favourite Nativity Character. A short service to share and a special way to begin Christmas.

**11:30pm Midnight Holy  
Communion for Christmas**



**Christmas Day  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>  
December**  
**10am All Age Holy  
Communion Service for  
Christmas Day**



**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:30am Communion for  
Everyone - joint ASMA  
service at St Edyth's  
Church, Sea Mills.**

**New Year's Day Drop In.**

Alison a Derek would love to welcome you all to the Vicarage on New Year's Day for soup, cake and company from 2pm till 6pm at 8 Priory Gardens, BS11 0BZ.

**There are no coffee mornings on the following dates:**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> December - Wed 1st January

**A reminder of our Winter Opening times:**

The church is open **Monday – Wednesday & Saturday 10am – midday** for coffee mornings. **Extended hours on Friday are 10am – 2pm** when hot food will also be available from midday in our Welcoming Space.

**Thursday 11am Holy Communion Services continue as usual (not 26<sup>th</sup> December).**

**Please note:** So that our hard-working volunteers and staff can have some well-earned time off to spend with their family and friends, the church will be **closed from Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> January.**

The church will re-open from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January for the usual 11am Holy Communion service, and coffees & Welcoming Space resume from Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.



Please ensure that you bring any flowers for the Memorial Chapel by Christmas Day. (Please refer to church opening times above).

**We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year.**  
**We look forward to welcoming you all over Advent and during 2025.**



Come: as you are  
 Be: renewed  
 Go: share God's love



**ADVENT  
&  
CHRISTMAS  
2024**

**St Mary's Church  
Shirehampton**

*If you would like support the mission of St Mary's, please give by scanning the QR code. Thank you.*

