



**10.30 Rev Mark Tidey
Holy Communion**



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Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today; for those who have difficulty hearing we have a loop system in operation. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Next Sunday Mr Joseph Musungu

Advent Sunday

Activities in Toothill Church

Monday	10.00 – 12.00	The Hub
Monday	14.00 - 16.00	U3A History Group 1 st & 3 rd Mondays
Monday	17.00 - 19.00	West Swindon Youth Club Mondays
Tuesday	10.00 – 12.00	U3A Travel Group
Wednesday	12.30 – 15.30	Welcome Space every week
Thursday	10.00 – 11.30	Toothill Tinies
Thursday	12.30 – 13.45	Bible Study in the church
Friday	10.30 – 12.00	Music Group every 2 nd and 4 th Friday
Friday	17.00 – 19.00	Friday Club



Every week

Next 20th November

Every week term time only

Next 21st November

Every Week

Every week

Every week (See Below)

Next 24th November

Every week term time only

Rachel Dowling 40th Celebration of Local Preacher - service last Sunday

Last Sunday evening a celebration service was held in Toothill Church for Rachel Dowling's 40 years as a Local Preacher with hymns readings and prayers chosen by Rachel and the presentation of the certificate Shirlyn Topping the Upper Thames Circuit Superintendent.

The music group started the evening singing 'Be Still for the presence of the Lord' and the 'The Lord's my Shepherd I will trust' with the congregation joining in. The singing of all the hymns was joyful, worshipful and beautiful.



The sermon was written by Rachel's great friend and one time mentor Brenda Tregenza from Mountcharles Church in St Austell Cornwall. Unfortunately, Brenda was unable to be present in person, but Mark Dowling read out Brenda's sermon.

Rachel says thank you to everyone who took part in the organization and making the service such a wonderful experience.

Pictures curtesy of Jenny Corkett



Welcome Space Wednesdays 12.30pm – 3.30pm

Toothill Church is open for anyone to come and meet and have a chat while keeping warm. There is: Free soup, bread and hot drinks available, and a selection of board games, Jigsaws, dominoes, crafts and adult colouring etc.

Sunday 17th December Carols by Candlelight at 4.00pm



Come and enjoy a service of carols, readings, poetry and prayers all in Candlelight.
All words of carols will be on the screen.
A service for all the family.

Bible Study Thursday afternoons 12.30 – 13.45

The series includes discussion, activity and colouring.

6 Blessed Are Those Who Hunger and Thirst – 30th Nov.

7 Blessed Are the Merciful – 7th Dec.

Advent/Christmas activity - **TBA**

8 Blessed Are the Pure in Heart - 11 Jan

9 Blessed Are the Peacemakers - 18 Jan

10 Blessed Are Those Who Are Persecuted - 25 Jan

11 Blessed Are You When - 1 Feb

12 Coming Down the Mountain - 8 Feb

Dates may need to be flexed, but the objective is to complete the sessions before Lent 24.

Thanks Rachel

Prayers for today

Do please let us know if you would like to add someone to the list for prayer, remembering that we must have the permission of the person for whom we would be praying.

Don't forget that it is also helpful to receive updates about those being prayed for and to know when things have improved.

Please pray for: Alan (Emma's brother-in-law) Diana, Eileen and Tony Hendry, Emma's friend Kate Storer having completed a round of Chemotherapy, Ruth's brother James Horton, Carly and all the Burns family, Steph, a friend of Sarah's, Debbie, Jan and Gordon, Norma, Rhoda, Ann Beaumont, Sarah, Hazel, and all those you know in need of God's special love, care and healing.

We also pray for

Our ministers Clive, Trevor, Mark, Som and Joseph,

Our children's and worship leaders and their families across the Partnership,

Welcome Space in our churches,

Our home congregation,

The continuing work with children, Hazelwood Academy, young people and families in West Swindon.

May God bless us all with wisdom and strength to face each day's challenges as we continually give thanks for his great Love and Faithfulness.

For Members who are unable to get to church.

For those unable to get to church here is the link for you to worship online with words and hymns included <https://devotions.urc.org.uk/> By using the same link you may also receive daily devotions which are sent out 6.00 am each day

SPOTLIGHT 'Contemplative approach to scripture'

Next Meeting WEDNESDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2023

Come and renew your 'spiritual batteries'! Many of us find that Sundays are a 'high' as we come to church, hear the Bible explained and sing praises together. But as our week gets busy, we find ourselves feeling low and struggling to keep a positive faith outlook. That's where Spotlight comes in! Just for an hour on the occasional Wednesday evening, those of us who have taken part already find it a valuable opportunity to pause and reflect as we shine a 'spotlight' on a short Bible passage.

Anyone is invited to share their thoughts, but it's fine to just listen, and we learn a bit more how to hear God's voice more for ourselves in our daily lives.

You don't need to pre-book or do any preparation as the Bible verses will be shown on screen.

Just bring yourself (and a cuppa?) and we look forward very much to 'seeing' you at one or any of the meetings below. The link works for all of them. If you would like to come, but lack the technical knowhow, please contact Susan and we'll try to help - all you need is a digital device such as an iphone, tablet or laptop. The Zoom Room will be open from 7.15 pm onwards, so come along if you would like to chat a bit more before the main session starts at 7.30 pm.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85054218765?pwd=OGNES0c5VVVING5tZkV5VDJzSXVldz09>

Meeting ID: 850 5421 8765 Passcode: 049004

Susan, Lis and Julian (Susan: white1family@talktalk.net or Tel 01793 878334)

Friday Morning Prayers at 9.30 via Zoom

To Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87105668938?pwd=OERYZ0FEUndjcnVpRUJxaVhrOWswUT09>

Meeting ID: 871 0566 8938 Passcode: 6pPH0J

DG4J – Day Group for Jesus - Autumn Programme Sep to Dec 2023

Meeting on Zoom – 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

7. Monday 04 December 2023 Romans Study 7 Host Angela

8. Monday 18 December 2023 Romans Study 8 Host Peter

Ethos – 'All' are warmly welcome to join our meetings.

For further details contact:

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Zoom Details:

Click on link below to join meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/92404636497?pwd=bFJlbFM5TFdsalppekdRV2o1QzJEZz09>

Meeting ID: 924 0463 6497 Passcode: 181042

The Armour of God - Ephesians 6: 10 to 11 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armour of God, .

Messy Church Christingle, Sunday 10th Dec 4pm-5.30pm at Holy Trinity Church, Shaw

We are looking forward to it and would welcome any help people are able to give, especially with the following:

Service Planning: to join Mary and Heather to plan and help with (or lead) the celebration(service). We hope to meet the morning of Tuesday 14th November.

Crafts/activity and food planning: will meet the week after on Tuesday 21st November at 7.30pm. If this is something others would like to join in with (and bring ideas) they would be very welcome. Additionally we welcome (DBS checked) helpers on the day to help with craft/activity tables and food preparation whether or not they are able to attend the planning.

We also need a Publicity Coordinator: to invite people from across the churches and schools - I have ordered an "invitation" poster from The Children's Society and could write a short paragraph for churches and schools to include in their newsletters to help with this?

If people could email their interest to h.j.benn@gmail.com or chat to a member of The Messy Church Team in church (myself Heather Benn, Mary Poole, Marie Chorley, Christine Rogers, Janet Clarke) that would be wonderful. With thanks, Heather

NEW BISHOP OF SWINDON

Bishop Viv is delighted to announce that the welcome for the new Bishop of Swindon: Neil Warwick will take place on Advent Sunday, 3 December 2023 at 6.30 pm in Christ Church Swindon.

Bishop Neil will then visit many parishes over the course of 2024.

More details on the welcome service will follow in due course but please note the date ...

In the meantime, we pray for Neil as he prepares for his consecration on 30 November. We look forward to his Episcopal ministry amongst us.

December Services

Sunday 10th	10.30	Rev Mark Tidey & Deacon Som Okonkwo	2nd Sunday of Advent
	14.00	Memorial Service at St Mary's	
	16.00	Messy Church Christingle Service at Holy Trinity Shaw	
Sunday 17th	16.00	Mr David Hoar Carols by Candlelight	3 rd Sunday of Advent
Sunday 24th	10.30	Rev Joseph Ribiero Christmas Eve	4 th Sunday Of Advent
	18.00	Invited to the Village Inn Shaw to sing Christmas Carols.	
	23.30	Rev Mark Tidey Midnight Communion Service.	
Christmas Day	10.30	Rev Mark Tidey Christmas Morning Service	
Sunday 31st	No service at Toothill Church but there are services at:		
	10.00	Peter Roslyk Communion Service at St Mary's, Lydiard Tregoze	
	10.30	Rev Clive Deverell Hoy Trinity Shaw	

Peace begins with a smile – with some seasonal jokes



I came home to find all the windows wide open and everything had been taken. Next year I'll be hiding my advent calendar.

What is it called when a snowman has a temper tantrum? A meltdown.

What's every elf's favourite type of music? Wrap!

What happens if you eat Christmas decorations? You get tinsel-it is.

How do you know when Santa's around? You can always sense his presents.

Newsletter

Please let me have any items for inclusion in the Newsletter before 12.00 Noon on Wednesdays Thank you.



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