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## MIDWEEK SERVICES

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January

2.00pm Holy Communion Aldbourne Nursing Home

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January

8.00am Morning Prayer & Bible Study St Michael's, Aldbourne

10.00am Holy Communion Holy Cross, Ramsbury

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### NOTICES

- ❖ **SPARKLERS** on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January** at 9.00am in St Michael's Church, Aldbourne. Open to all pre-school children and toddlers. Craft, singing, stories and Tea and Coffee.
  - ❖ **THY KINGDOM COME 2019** will be meeting **On Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>** at West House High Street, Ramsbury SN8 2QN. (Entrance by car – via marked driveway on left after passing the bottom of Hilldrop Lane on the right; Entrance on foot – via gate in brick and flint wall). Coffee at 7.45pm, Worship at 8.00pm, Prayer at 8.15pm and ending at 9.00pm. Open to all. Could you be very kind and let Carolyn know whether or not you can be there ([gauntlett.carolyn@gmail.com](mailto:gauntlett.carolyn@gmail.com))? Future dates: February 11<sup>th</sup>, March 11<sup>th</sup>, April 8<sup>th</sup>, May 13<sup>th</sup>, June 10<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>, August 12<sup>th</sup>, September 9<sup>th</sup>, October 14<sup>th</sup>, November 11<sup>th</sup> and December 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - ❖ **JOURNEY TO FAITH**. Have you ever wanted to share your journey of faith but didn't know if you had a story to tell? Why not come and be encouraged to think about your 'faith story' at the two J2F sessions on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> January** in the Church Rooms, Ramsbury (9.30 -12.30pm). All are welcome for a time of fun and encouragement.
  - ❖ **REFLECTIVE SPACES** – A respite from a busy life. **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**, 7.00pm at St Michael's, Aldbourne, a short act of reflective worship based on materials from the Iona Community. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month.
  - ❖ **QUIET DAY** - a date for your diaries – Enjoy time out from your busy life on **Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>**. Details and sign-up sheets in January. Contact: Rev. Karen 07882 055878.
  - ❖ **MUSTARD SEED** - We are looking for an enthusiastic energetic person to join our team. The work involves a wide-range of multi-tasking skills in both the coffeeshop and bookshop and taking responsibility for some of the day-to-day running of Mustard Seed. Full training would be given. We are looking for two half days a week and 1 full Saturday per month. Further information from Nicola at Mustard Seed.
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Deadline for Notices: 10.00am Thursday

Contact the Team Office ([teamoffice@whittonteam.org.uk](mailto:teamoffice@whittonteam.org.uk)/01672-520963) about forthcoming church events, or people to be added to the prayer list.

Office hours: 9.00am-2.00pm Mon & Thurs - Website: [www.whittonteam.org.uk](http://www.whittonteam.org.uk)

# WHITTON BENEFICE

Aldbourn, Baydon, Chilton Foliat, Froxfield, Ramsbury with Axford

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## Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January – Epiphany 2

*Psalm 29/ Isaiah 43: 1-7/ Acts 8: 14-17/ Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22*

8.00am	Ramsbury	Holy Communion
9.30am	Baydon	Matins
9.30am	Froxfield	Holy Communion
9.30am	Ramsbury	Informal Morning Worship
11.00am	Aldbourn	Matins
11.00am	Chilton Foliat	Holy Communion

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**Please pray** for the pupils, staff and governors of Ramsbury Primary School.

**Please pray** for those who are sick or in pain.

**We remember** those who have died in faith, those whose faith is known only to God and we remember all those, the anniversary of whose death falls this week.

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## Next Sunday – 20<sup>th</sup> January – Epiphany 3

*Psalm 36: 5-10/ Isaiah 62: 1-5/ 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11/ John 2: 1-11*

8.00am	Chilton Foliat	Holy Communion
9.30am	Baydon	Informal Morning Worship
9.30am	Froxfield	Matins
9.30am	Ramsbury	Holy Communion
10.30am	Aldbourn	Methodist Covenant
4.00pm	Ramsbury	Evening Prayer

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**Please take this leaflet home with you**

# 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany - Baptism of Christ

## OLD TESTAMENT - ISAIAH 43:1-7

Israel's only Saviour

But now, this is what the LORD says –

he who created you, Jacob,

he who formed you, Israel:

'Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

When you pass through the waters,

I will be with you;

and when you pass through the rivers,

they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire,

you will not be burned;

the flames will not set you ablaze.

For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour;

I give Egypt for your ransom,

Cush and Seba in your stead.

Since you are precious and honoured in my sight,

and because I love you,

I will give people in exchange for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

Do not be afraid, for I am with you;

I will bring your children from the east

and gather you from the west.

I will say to the north, "Give them up!"

and to the south, "Do not hold them back."

Bring my sons from afar

and my daughters from the ends of the earth –

everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory,

whom I formed and made.'

## NEW TESTAMENT - ACTS 8:14-17

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to Samaria. When they arrived, they prayed for the new believers there that they might receive the Holy Spirit, because the Holy Spirit had not yet come on any of them; they had simply been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then Peter and John placed their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

## GOSPEL - LUKE 3: 15-17 and 21-22

The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. John answered them all, 'I baptise you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.'

When all the people were being baptised, Jesus was baptised too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: 'You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.'