



## Purton Churches Together

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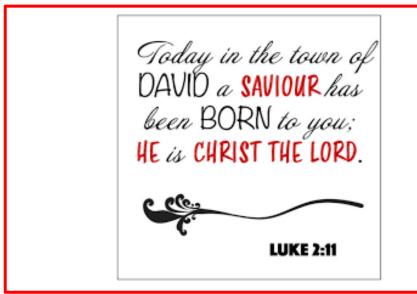
"In partnership with other Christians in Purton"

Purton Methodist Church

# Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024 Welcome to our two Churches.

For more information about the service please see the welcome page inside the order of service. If you would like a visit from a Church member, or would value prayer or an opportunity to find out more about the Christian faith please contact

- The Vicar, Rev Ian Tweedie-Smith on 01793 770077 vicarage@stmaryspurton.org.uk
- The Curate, Rev Judith Wells on 01793 770627 judithwells36@googlemail.com
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- If you have any Church Safeguarding concern:
  Marie Dempsey: 07455046815
  Sunday Email: safeguarding@stmaryspurton.org.uk



#### **Church Events**

Church Even		0 1 10111 1 01 1 11 7 11		
Sunday	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian		
15 <sup>th</sup>		Tweedie-Smith		
December	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's Church with Liz &		
		David Martin and a Christmas Story by Purton		
		Ballet		
	10.30am	Holy Communion Service at Purton Methodist		
		Church led by Rev Shirlyn Toppin		
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group		
		Zoom ID:907644918 Passcode:918865		
	7.30pm	Advent course with Richard Harris		
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am	Funeral of Michael Mucklow at St Mary's		
		Church with Rev Tudor Roberts		
	7.30pm	Choir practice		
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	5.00pm	Prayer Group – Lady Chapel		
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.15-	Preparation for school concert at St Mary's		
	3.15pm	church		
	6.00pm	Bradon Forest School Christmas Concert at St		
		Mary's Church		
	7.30pm	Advent course with Paul & Marie Dempsey		
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	BASH Youth group at St Mary's Church		
	7.30pm	Bellringing practice		
Sat 21st	4.30pm	Movies@mary's: Christmas Children's Film.		
	for	Doors open 4.30pm. Film starts at 5.00pm		
	5.00pm			
Sunday	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian		
22 <sup>nd</sup>		Tweedie-Smith		
December	10.30am	Carols at Purton Methodist Church led by		
		Adrian German		
	6.00pm	Nine Lessons & Carols by candlelight at St		
		Mary's Church with Rev Judith Wells, followed		
		by mulled wine and mince pies		

<u>Prayer:</u> In our street prayer cycle for December, we pray for The Fox, The Pry, Collins Lane, (and from Moulden View) Arabian Avenue, Palamino Place and Eriskay Place. White Lodge Care Home on Braydon Road. Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Toothill Church. We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Margaret Beaumont, Vicki Venter, Jill Mucklow and Michael Mucklow.

### **Collect: Advent 3**

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Reading for today: Luke 2: 4-14

#### **Flowers for Christmas**

If you would like to help us decorate the church with flowers for Christmas, Jane and Libbie would be delighted. If you want to bring a vase of flowers, or offer us flowers or a donation to use it would be so much appreciated. We have so many wonderful concerts, services and special events happening this Advent-time so we want St Mary's to look at its best... warm and welcoming for all! Contact Jane 772422 or Libbie 771018 if you want to be in church with others, rather than on your own.

#### St Mary's Church - Christmas Market - Sat 30 Nov 2024

Thank you so much to all those who helped with setting up, clearing up and running stalls. To those who attended the market, especially St Mary's School Choir, who sang so beautifully for us. To those who came for their well-deserved lunch and to chat with friends etc. It was a great turnout. Somehow we managed to raise £2200 which was fantastic. May we use this money wisely, to help with the running of St Mary's Church and to extending our Mission more widely. Sandra Horsnall

Readers: 15th David Martin 22nd Liz Martin

<u>Intercessions:</u> 15<sup>th</sup> Judith Wells 22<sup>nd</sup> Madeleine Harvey

St Mary's Church website is: www.stmaryspurton.org.uk

If you want to add an article into the church notices, please email Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris, by first thing Thursday mornings.

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