



St Luke, Tolleshunt Knights with Tiptree
All Saints, Great Braxted
All Saints, Messing
All Saints, Inworth

*To be a transforming presence in our community,
 open and welcoming to all and serving all*

Sunday 23rd December 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Readings: Micah 5:2-5a*; Hebrews 10:5-10;
 Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30am Parish Communion

Hymns: 280, 692, 194, 784, 288

Setting: Patrick Appleford

*We pray then sing this verse after the Lighting of
 the Advent Candle: (to 'Angel Voices'):*

**Mary's gift beyond all telling
 we recall today:**

**Son of God within her dwelling,
 born to show the way.**

**Who could guess the final story?
 - cross to glory; Easter Day!**

All Saints, Great Braxted

11.15am Carol Service *see order of service*

All Saints, Messing

9.30am BCP Holy Communion

4.00pm Crib Service

All Saints, Inworth No service today

Events in Christmas week

No morning prayer at St Luke's this week

Christmas Eve, Monday

4.00pm **Crib Service**, at St Luke's, Tiptree

6.30pm **Carol Service**, All Saints, Inworth

10.00pm **Midnight Communion**, All Saints,
 Great Braxted

11.30pm **Midnight Communion**, at St Luke's

Christmas Day, Family Communion Services

9.00am All Saints, Messing

10.00am St Luke's, Tiptree

11.15am All Saints, Inworth

11.15am All Saints, Great Braxted

Thu 10.00am Holy Communion at St Luke's
 with coffee, chat & biscuits

Fri 11.00am Funeral of Gillian Small, at
 Colchester Crematorium

Sunday 30th December

First Sunday of Christmas

Readings: 1 Samuel 2:18-20,26; Colossians
 3:12-17*; Luke 2:41-end

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30am Parish Communion

Hymns: 265, 409, 2, 812, 782, 39

Setting: Patrick Appleford

All Saints, Great Braxted

11.15am Holy Communion

Hymns: 68, 74, 55, 44

All Saints, Messing & All Saints Inworth,

no services today

Regular events first week of January

Tue New Year's Day

Thu 10.00am Holy Communion at St Luke's
 with coffee, chat & biscuits

Weekdays at St Luke's Church

Morning Prayer is usually said from Tue-Fri at
 8.50am. After Christmas our usual pattern
 resumes on Thursday 3rd January. *All welcome*

 **St Luke's Facebook page:** /tiptreestlukes

 **@RectorTiptree**

Access to All Saints, Great Braxted, please
 bear in mind that there may be no access from
 the A12 direction over the Christmas period.

Congregational Christmas Cards at St Luke's:
 the cards sent to us all are displayed at the
 back of the church. *Thank you for donations
 made to the church instead of individual cards.*

Tiptree Christmas Tree Festival, we have an
 update on our fundraising for Farleigh & the
 Friends of St Luke's: in the region of £1200.

Thank you to the kind person who gave the
 anonymous donation that paid for St Luke's
 PCC Christmas tree and to Martin for installing
 it and for decorating it so splendidly!

A Warm welcome to everyone, especially if you are attending our Christmas Services for the first time. If you need any assistance, please see the stewards at the door – or ask the person next to you! We are very pleased that you are joining us for our celebrations.

Future Diary Dates

Saturday 5th January, between 4.00pm and 6.30pm, **Open house at Tiptree Rectory**, please join us for a drink and nibbles.

Sunday 6th January, Services for Epiphany:

St John, Layer de la Haye, 8.00am Holy Communion, 10.30am All-age Worship & 6.00pm Evensong; **St Mary, Layer Breton**, 9.00am Holy Communion; **St Mary, Layer Marney**, 9.00am Morning Prayer; **St Michael, Copford**, Holy Communion, 11.00am.

All Saints, Great Braxted, 11.15am Family Service; **All Saints, Inworth: 11.15am** Matins; **St Luke's, Tiptree**, 9.30am, Parish Communion
No services at All Saints Messing or St Mary's Easthorpe today

Monday 7th January, 9.15am, **St Luke's Parent & Toddler Group**, first meeting.

Monday 7th January, 7.30pm, **St Luke's Bible Study Group**, meet in the office. Just come along, we are a very friendly group.

***Chelmsford Cathedral Girls' Choir:** will perform Britten: A Ceremony of Carols & Rutter: Dancing Day, in a concert at St Luke's Church, Tiptree, on Saturday 19th January, 7.30pm. Tickets £7; contact Christine Hall: thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com*

News

UPDATE: Emergency Food Collection, Tiptree: we only need donations of: tinned fruit or tinned veg, and sturdy carrier bags please!

Thank you for your support, we have been able to supply **13 food parcels** just in the last week. Anne-Marie.

Changes to Services for Inworth & Messing for 2019: Inworth: all services at 11.15am. Messing Services will alternate with Inworth and be: 2nd Sunday Family Service at 11.00am

& 4th Sunday Holy Communion, 9.30am.

Office hours for the Christmas Holidays from Friday 21st December I am on holiday. My first working day in the New Year is Thursday 3rd January. I hope you all have a Happy and peaceful Christmas. Christine Hall.

Layer Marney Nativity & Carols, thank you to Judy and Liz for organizing this again for us, it was a lovely event and enjoyed by all who took part or watched! Thanks as well to Sheila and Nick Charrington for hosting us in the barn and Long Gallery at the Tower.

Great Braxted Christmas Concert: thank you to the choir and everyone who supported our concert, or who helped to make it a success. We made £508.50. *Many thanks, Sue Copey.*

Used postage stamps for Tollesbury Guides, to raise funds for Guides, Brownies & Rainbows in Dominica, whose building and equipment have been damaged by tropical storms. These can be given to Anne-Marie or Alice by **Sunday 6th January**.

The Ministry Team wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful new year and thank everyone for their hard work and support this year.

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