

DIARY DATES

Please pray for our services and events today and during the week.

Monday 13th January 1.15pm Handbells Practice

Monday 13th January 7.30pm Bellringing Practice

Tuesday 14th January 1.45pm Toddlers

Tuesday 14th January 7.30pm Finance and Building PCC committee meeting

Wednesday 15th January 7.45pm Online home group

Sunday 19th January 8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 19th January 10.00am All Age Communion

Please refer to the website for the most up to date information

**Any donations towards church coffee / teas would be most welcome. A box is available at the front of the serving hatch.
Thank you.**

Communion

We welcome to receive communion: a) confirmed members of the Church of England (or those intending to be confirmed); b) children who have been formally admitted to communion in this or another church. Visitors who are baptised and regularly receive communion in another Church may also receive. Everyone else is warmly invited forward to receive an individual prayer of blessing. (NB Non-alcoholic wine is available during the All Age Service; join the left queue and indicate to the server.) If you would prefer a gluten free wafer and/or non-alcoholic wine, please let the sidesperson know.

Prayer

If you would like someone to pray with you after a service, for anything concerning you in your life or someone else's, please ask a Minister.

Please send **notice sheet items** to office@stmaryssevernside.org.uk by **12pm on Tuesday each week**. Our website, www.almondsburychurch.org.uk includes the notice sheet, so all content will be on the internet unless requested otherwise.

Collect for The First Sunday of Epiphany

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

The latest Church Notice Sheet is always available at <https://almondsburychurch.org.uk/notice-sheets/> usually from the Friday before the Sunday to which it relates.

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Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

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Sunday 12th January 2025

The First Sunday of Epiphany

Adoration: Our father in heaven,
hallowed be your name

Acts 4:24-31

(Psalm 8)

8.30am Holy Communion (CW)

Led by Anjali Kanagaratnam and
Mike Jenkinson

10.00am All Age Service

Led by Astrid Domingo Molyneux and
Mike Jenkinson



**Creating connections with God,
each other and our community.**

Charity of the month-January Homebank

Homebank is only one part of Avonmouth Social Hub at St Andrews church. It includes NE Bristol Foodbank warehouse, carpentry and cookery training units, Citizens advice and cafe outreach. So many lives are being touched and helped in very direct ways. An army of volunteers and a few paid staff keep it working efficiently. Yet it all began with one student's wife, motivated by a heart for the poor, taking an initiative. Thank you for your ongoing support of this vibrant local charity. Speak to me if you have household items to donate.

Pam Skelding



homebank
 Bristol North West
 Eastle Compton

ITEMS YOU CAN DROP OFF...
at our Social Justice Hub (by arrangement):

- ✓ Toasters, microwaves, small heaters & vacuum cleaners
- ✓ Plates, bowls, mugs & cutlery (no sharp knives)
- ✓ Baking trays, ovenproof dishes, pans, kitchen utensils
- ✓ Towels & bath mats
- ✓ Sheets, pillow cases & duvet covers
- ✓ Duvets, pillows and blankets
- ✓ Small lawn mowers

Please only these basics + good condition outer wear / shoes

THANKS. x

WE NEED YOUR UNWANTED GOODS

www.bristolnorthwestfoodbank.org.uk
CALL 0117 923242

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Thank you to all our 'volunteers'

As I come to the end of the year and look back over all that has taken place at and through the church, I am so aware of the many people in our church family who give their time, energy and resources to the life and ministry of the church: some in upfront roles and others much more in the background. Your commitment and service is so appreciated and I wanted to say a huge thank you to each and every one of you.

And I hope you can join us for drinks at the Vicarage on Thursday 23rd January from 7:30pm.

RSVP to Louise in the office (office@stmaryssevernside.org.uk) by Friday 17th January please.

Please can you title the email **Drinks 23rd January**.

Thank you
Anjali

Online HOME GROUP

All are welcome to the homegroup on Wednesdays at 7.45pm for 8pm: <https://zoom.us/j/9312563357?pwd=REd3VkvKcUt3U0dkQlNWRWkyTHFaZz09>
Meeting ID: 938 1727 632 Passcode: 340584

To donate to St Mary's please use the BACS system
Account Name: Almondsbury PCC Sort Code: 40-14-20,
Account Number: 21074598 and reference 'Donation'.
Or use the QR code. Thank you for your generosity.

QR code for donations to St Mary's Church.
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Please like our Facebook page:
St Mary's Church, Almondsbury

www.almondsburychurch.org.uk
The Church Wi-Fi password is: godisgood

The Children's Society

The collection for the Children's Society came to £718.20. Many thanks to all those who helped make Christingles and who helped with the two events.

Pam van Rossum

TEA, TOAST & PRAYER

All are invited to join us for Tea, Toast & Prayer in the Church from 9.00am on Saturday 25th January 2025 praying from 9.30am. Please join us for this important time.

TUESDAY PRAYER

All are invited to a time of morning prayer every Tuesday morning at 24 Gloucester Road (Old Cottage Hospital). Arrive from 8am, pray from 8.15am-8.45am.

BABIES AND TODDLERS

Every Tuesday in term time
1.45pm until 3.15pm in Almondsbury Church.
All parents, grandparents and carers with their babies and toddlers are welcome.

NOTICE

We are currently looking for another leader, or if anyone is interested in joining a Rota.
Please speak to Sandy Thompson.