

# WEEKLY UPDATE



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## Christmas Week Commencing December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024

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### Luke 1.39-55

<sup>39</sup> At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, <sup>40</sup> where she entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup> When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. <sup>42</sup> In a loud voice she exclaimed: 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! <sup>43</sup> But why am I so favoured, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? <sup>44</sup> As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. <sup>45</sup> Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfil his promises to her!' <sup>46</sup> And Mary said: 'My soul glorifies the Lord <sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, <sup>48</sup> for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, <sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for me holy is his name. <sup>50</sup> His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup> He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. <sup>52</sup> He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. <sup>53</sup> He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. <sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful <sup>55</sup> to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors.'

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### Collect

Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**website [www.callingtoncluster.org.uk](http://www.callingtoncluster.org.uk)**

For Pastoral and Caring Issues, or someone to talk to please contact:	Stoke Climsland	<b>Jane 01579 370372</b>
	Linkinhorne	<b>Norma 01579 363572</b>
	South Hill	<b>Judith 01579 384617</b>

**Rural Dean Rev'd Michael Johnson**

**Email: [eastwivelshire@gmail.com](mailto:eastwivelshire@gmail.com) Mobile: 07493 307530**

**Claire Hodgkins - Family Worker [ccfamilyworker@hotmail.com](mailto:ccfamilyworker@hotmail.com)**

**Items for the newsheet to John [pamjohnk@btinternet.com](mailto:pamjohnk@btinternet.com)  
Items for Prayer Corner to Brian [briannorrisics@hotmail.com](mailto:briannorrisics@hotmail.com)**

**By 6.00pm  
Thurs**

## **Prayers - PLEASE PRAY**



† For Christmas and carol services in the cluster, that those attending may understand in a fresh way the peace and joy of the birth of the Saviour of the World.

† For our Priest in Charge, Andy, and others for whom Christmas is a very busy season.

† For those in war-torn parts of the world and for all who are working to end conflict and restore peace.

† For those affected by recent flooding and storm damage.

† For those unwell in body, mind or spirit. For those who mourn the loss of loved ones.

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***PRAYER CHAIN - If you would like one of our prayer chains to pray for any particular reason, or would like to join the prayer chains, please contact:-***

**For Stoke - Jan Parsons [janetmparsons@btinternet.com](mailto:janetmparsons@btinternet.com)**

**For Linkinhorne - Norma Draper 01579 363572; [nrmadraper@gmail.com](mailto:nrmadraper@gmail.com)**

**For South Hill - Miranda 01579 382863; [mLawranceowen@icloud.com](mailto:mLawranceowen@icloud.com)**

***Everything is always in complete confidence within each chain.***

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If you would like to advertise on the Website or on Social media you can email the following address: [website.callingtoncluster@gmail.com](mailto:website.callingtoncluster@gmail.com)

For calendar entries please contact the following people:

Stoke - Carol Brocklebank: [carolbrock57@icloud.com](mailto:carolbrock57@icloud.com)

St. Sampson's - Miranda Lawrance-Owen: [mLawranceowen@icloud.com](mailto:mLawranceowen@icloud.com)

Linkinhorne - Maxine Browne: [maxineatlinkinhornechurches@aol.com](mailto:maxineatlinkinhornechurches@aol.com)

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### **South Hill Prayer Gathering Tuesdays at 9.30 – 10.00 am in St Sampson's.**

Informal prayers for our parish. All welcome For more information, or to request prayer, contact Miranda [mLawranceowen@icloud.com](mailto:mLawranceowen@icloud.com) or 01579 382863"

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### **St. Mary's Monday Prayers**

Everyone is welcome to join for prayers, informal bible study, and fellowship each Monday between 10 and 11am.

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### **Deanery Prayer meeting (weekly Mondays at 9 till 9.30am on Zoom)**

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2521792902?pwd=SVprSUdUUlFzeFF2L0NMOGM1NmNQT09>

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### **Stoke Church Prayer Meeting**

Mondays in Church at **6.00pm** – all welcome.



## **CHURCH SERVICES**

### **Stoke Climsland**

**Sunday - 8.00am Morning Prayer**

**\* 10.00am Holy Communion \***

**Tues Christmas Eve 4.30pm Messy Nativity and Christingle**

**11.30pm Midnight Communion**

**Christmas Day – 10.30am Family Service**

**Next Sunday – 8.00am Morning Prayer**

**10.00am Cluster Communion Service at St Paul's**

If you would like to meet to be prayed with, please phone Jan 01579370319.

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### **St Mary's**

**Sunday - 10.00am Together @10 with Holy Communion**

**6.30pm Carols by Candlelight**

**Tues Christmas Eve – 4.00pm Christingle Family Service**

**11.30pm Midnight Communion**

**Next Sunday – 10.00am Cluster Communion Service at St Paul's**

Mid-week Holy Communion - 10.30 am (said) Every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

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### **St Sampson's South Hill**

**Sunday – 10.00am Messy Tingle - Make your own Christingle.**

**Christmas Day -11.15am Holy Communion**

**Next Sunday - 10.00am Cluster Communion Service at St Paul's**

If you have a concern or require prayer please contact [judithayers@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:judithayers@yahoo.co.uk)

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### **St Paul's Upton Cross**

**Sunday - 10:00am Meet and Eat Breakfast (CrossLink Centre, Upton Cross)**

**Tues Christmas Eve 4.00pm Crib and Christingle Service**

**Christmas Day 10.00am Christmas Day Celebrations**

**Next Sunday - 10.00am CLUSTER All Age Communion**

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### **St Melors Linkinhorne**

**Sunday - 6.30pm Carol Service**

**Tues Christmas Eve 9.30pm Christmas Eve Holy Communion**

**Next Sunday**

**Every Monday – 10.00am Morning Prayer**

**Church is open daily for private prayer.**

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# Notices

## **Carol Service and Turkey Supper**

Friday, 20 December at 7 pm  
at Stoke Climsland Methodist Church  
with the Revd. Tim Wilkinson  
To Book - Donna Perry - 07412 905 175  
Lynda Wadland - 01579 371026  
£12.00 Booking Essential by the 18 December

### **St Mary's 'Warm Space' pop up cafe** 12:00pm - 1:30pm, Wednesdays

A guaranteed warm welcome. Home-made  
(where possible) soup, a roll & a hot drink.  
Anyone can come & it is free – a donation box.

*Eat, Drink & Share the Love*  
**at the Pop-Up Café**  
**in STOKE PARISH HALL**  
**TUESDAY 9.00am – 12.00am**  
**voluntary contribution for charity**

**Drop In Cafe**  
**Linkinhorne Parish Hall, Upton Cross**  
**this Thursday**  
**from 2:45 to 4:30pm.**

**Baby and Toddler Groups**  
**WoW 9-11 Wed in Church – last one this**  
**year.**

**Sampson's Supertots Mondays**  
**The Parish Hall Golberdon 9.30-11.30am**

**FOODBANKS – to find out what your local foodbank needs see:**  
<https://www.givefood.org.uk/needs/?address=Callington,%20UK>

**Liskeard and Looe Foodbank** donations to Unit 2 Trevecca Industrial Estate, Culverwood Road, Liskeard PL14 6RE on Mon/Wed/Fri 9.30am and 12.30. Also at the Co-Op, Pound Land and Morrisons, near the café.

St Paul's and St Melor's have drop off points. You can donate money on line at

<https://liskeardlooe.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/>

### **Callington Foodbank**

Account Name: Callington Foodbank  
Sort Code: 08-92-99  
Account No: 67222643  
Bank: The Co-operative Bank

drop off point **TESCO**  
If anyone wishes to have a standing order  
mandate could they please email me at  
[stocketreas@btinternet.com](mailto:stocketreas@btinternet.com)  
Thank you for your continued support.

