



MESSENGER

Sunday 11th January 2026 **The Baptism of the Lord**

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday S. Aelred of Rievaulx	S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer S. Mark - 9am Toddler Group S. Mark - 12.30pm Mass S. Mark - 1-4pm Welcome Space S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer
Tuesday S. Hilary	S. Luke - 8am Mass S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer S. Saviour - 9.30am Mass S. Luke - 1-3pm Welcome Space S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer
Wednesday Feria	S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer S. Saviour - 4.30pm Children's Singing Group S. Mark - 6.30pm Evening Prayer S. Mark - 7pm Mass
Thursday Feria	S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer S. Luke - 9.30am Mass S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer
Friday S. Joseph Vaz	S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer S. Luke - 6pm Sung Mass with readings in Konkani
Saturday S. Anthony	S. Aldhelm - 10am Mass S. Luke - 6pm Vigil Mass with readings in Konkani
Sunday 18th Jan 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	S. Mark - 7.30am Said Mass S. Mark - 8am Morning Prayer S. Saviour - 9am Sung Mass S. Mark - 10.30am Sung Mass S. Luke - 11am Sung Mass S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer followed by Guild Prayers for the Guild of S. Thérèse and Social

BAPTISM - Today, Kester is baptised at S. Mark's. Pray for him, his family, his godparents, and all who will support and encourage him through the years.

CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP - Our monthly service of contemplative prayer is at 4.30pm today at S. Saviour's The service lasts around thirty minutes, with chant in the style of Taizé, silence and prayer. It is followed by Evening Prayer. All are welcome.

S. JOSEPH VAZ - There will be a Sung Mass with readings and prayers in Konkani at 7pm on Friday 16 January to celebrate this feast.

KING'S COURT - On Tuesday 20 January, at 11.15am, we will be visiting King's Court Care Home (on the corner of Kent Road and Bath Road) for a Service of the Word with hymns. If you'd like to get involved in the ministry, please speak to Tom and Carol Simmons.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP- The next meeting of the Guild of S. Thérèse of Lisieux, a group for young adults aged between 18-35, will be on Sunday 18 January. There will be evening prayer at S. Mark's at 5pm followed by a social. If you would like to know more about this group then please speak to Cameron or Fr Adam.

MESSY CHURCH - Messy Church at S. Saviour's will be on Wednesday 21st January from 4.30 - 6.30. Please contact Tom if you are interested in helping with this. tom@psnt.uk

YOUTH CLUB - this runs at S. Saviour's on Fridays from 7.30 - 9.00pm and is for all young people aged 11-17. There will be games, activities and food. It is FREE (except for the tuckshop!) If you are interested, please speak to Tom or contact him at tom@psnt.uk

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2026 - Our annual pilgrimage to Walsingham is booked for Monday 29th June – Friday 3rd July. The cost will be approximately £440. This is dependant on numbers. We have provisionally booked 20 places. Please email the office office@psnt.uk if you are interested and I will get more details out in the new year.

CHILDREN'S SINGING GROUP is on Wednesdays (except the week of Messy Church) at S. Saviour's at 4.30pm. For more details please contact tom@psnt.uk

WELCOME SPACES– The Welcome Space at S. Mark's is from 1pm to 4pm on Mondays and the Welcome Space, with Free Shop, at S. Luke's is from 1pm to 3pm on Tuesdays. Everyone is welcome – please do come and support these. If you feel able to help, please contact Tom tom@psnt.uk

BEER FESTIVAL – Please make sure that these dates are in your calendar. 2026 Beer Festival – Friday 24 July (from 4pm to 10pm) and Saturday 25 July (from noon to 10pm).

ADVANCE NOTICE - The Kentwood show choir will be performing at S. Mark's on Friday 1st May at 7.30pm. Please put this date in your diary. Tickets will be on sale later.

TODAY WE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DEPARTED

YEAR'S MIND

[11] Minnie Holbrow, Helda Amy Hayward, Wilfred Raymond Davis

[12] Gilbert Howell, Raymond Southby, Phyllis Genders,

Evelyn Joyce Woodhouse [14] Malcolm David Legg [16] Wilfred Lambeth (priest), Marjorie Green [17] Edward Carter, Janey Rae Groves

FLOWERS IN S. MARK'S today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Marjorie Green

FOR YOUR WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS - Richard & Maddie Charman, John Wilson, Sue Davis, Margaret Stevenson, Chris Ockwell, Roy Norton, Wagner Lisboa, Joe Hicks, Katie Joseph, Sarah Druett, John Fuller, Renelle Nunes, Moncy Miranda, Moina Clement, Lourenco Gonsalves, Kayleigh Winbow, Grace King, Fr Peter Garlick, Barbara Sheppard, Carole New, Evelyn Bartlett, Cynthia Strudwick, Lynn Thrussell, Kylie Lawson, Aida Gomendes, Sally Hobbs

HOME COMMUNICANTS - Muriel Avenell, Betty Mitchell, Owen Shellard, Maurice Lidgeley, Beryl & Les Howell,

PASTORAL CARE - Please do feel free to call the clergy if there is anything they can do to support you or others you know with any pastoral or spiritual needs.

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For this week's readings see <https://universalis.com/20260111/mass.htm>

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Is 49:3,5-9; Ps 39; 1 Cor 1:1-3; John 1:29-34

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PLANNED GIVING- For those who make their offering by weekly envelopes, boxed sets of envelopes for **2026** are available. If you would like to have a boxed set of envelopes, please contact John Bishop.

Alternatively if you would prefer to make your offering by bank transfer, our banking details are: Parish of Swindon New Town PCC, Sort code 40-52-40, Account number 00024962.

(Please use S. Mark, S. Saviour or S. Luke as your reference or say what the payment is for, if not for planned giving) John Bishop treasurer@psnt.uk