

JANUARY COLLECT

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child:
guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen

Common Worship Lectionary Reading for January 2025 (Year C)

5 th January 2 nd Sunday after Christmas and Epiphany Sunday	Isaiah 60: 1-6 Matthew 2: 1-12	White
12 th January 1 st Sunday after Epiphany Baptism of the Lord	Isaiah 43: 1-7 Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22	White
19 th January 2 nd Sunday after Epiphany	1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 John 2: 1-11	White
26 th January 3 rd Sunday after Epiphany	Acts 9: 1-22 Matthew 19: 27-end	White

Dates for your Diary

Friday 10th January – Mollington

Coffee Morning 10-12 noon Village Hall

Wednesday 22nd January - Gt-Bourton

Coffee morning – Village Hall – 10.30 am -12 noon.

Saturday 25th January - Claydon –

Family Friendly Quiz & Ploughman's Supper 6pm Church Room

£12pp. Book in advance with Angela 07456 747784 (call or text)

Friday 31st January – Cropredy A Concert for the Ukraine– 7.30 pm

Tatiana Soloviova and friends performing songs from her native Ukraine.

Raising Funds for Red Cross Ukraine Crisis

Contact Verna Wass for more information 01295 758222

Saturday 1st February – Cropredy Church Quiz – Village Hall 7pm

Teams of 4, £8.50 pp to include supper. Bar, Raffle

Contact Gill 750427 or Pip 758255.



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**St James the Great, Claydon, St Mary the Virgin, Cropredy
All Saints, Great Bourton, All Saints, Mollington
St Mary Magdalene, Waddington**

Vicar: Revd. Canon Sarah Fenby

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**Benefice Worship Leaders: Revd. Lynda Alcock
Sue Upton, Siobhan & Rebecca Croft.
The Rt. Revd. Jonathan Meyrick**

Services for January 2025

5th January 2nd Sunday after Christmas – Epiphany Sunday

Cropredy	10.00 am	United Benefice Family Communion Ringing in the New Year. Choir, Handbells	SF
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12th January 1st Sunday after Epiphany. Baptism of the Lord

Claydon	4.00 pm	New Year Thanksgiving Service	SF
Cropredy	10.30 am	Morning Worship And Baptism	SF
Gt Bourton	Visiting Sunday		
Mollington	10.00 am	Holy Communion	+JM
Wardington	10.30 am	All Age Family Service	SU

19th January 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Claydon	Visiting Sunday		
Cropredy	10.00 am	All Age Seeker Service	SC/RC
Gt. Bourton	11.00 am	Family Communion	SF
Mollington	Visiting Sunday		
Wardington	Visiting Sunday		

26th January 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Claydon	11.00 am	Family Communion	SF/SU
Cropredy	Visiting Sunday		
Gt. Bourton	Visiting Sunday		
Mollington	6.00 pm	Come and Sing	SF
Wardington	9.30 am	Family Communion	SF/SU
Wardington	Visiting Sunday		

New Year Wishes and Prayer

A very Happy New Year 2025 to all across our Benefice parishes and villages! May we know the grace of God's comfort and peace, and the light of God's hope and love, as we make new beginnings, and continue in faithfulness in this new year, together.

With my on-going support and prayers,

Revd Sarah

Daily and Weekly Patterns of Prayer & Worship in 2025

Morning Prayer begins again on Monday 20th January. The same pattern, with the same invitation to begin the day together in a short act of prayer. As +Stephen reminds us:

"Set your mind on things that are above. Begin each week with worship. Begin each day with a quiet time of prayer and bible reading. Celebrate your resurrection each and every day. For the sake of the whole world, lift up your hearts."

Weekly Midday Tuesday Eucharist begins again Tuesday 21st January, 12 Noon St Mary's Cropredy.

Ukraine Shoeboxes

I will be collecting these on the week of Monday 20th January. Please do pick up a cardboard piece to fill one if you are able. There will be a truly happy child or Chernobyl disaster victim who will receive it. Warm hat, gloves, scarf, fidget toys, chocolate and sweets, pens and paper, toiletries etc. for teenage boys/men. With many thanks to all who have contributed already.