



THIS WEEK

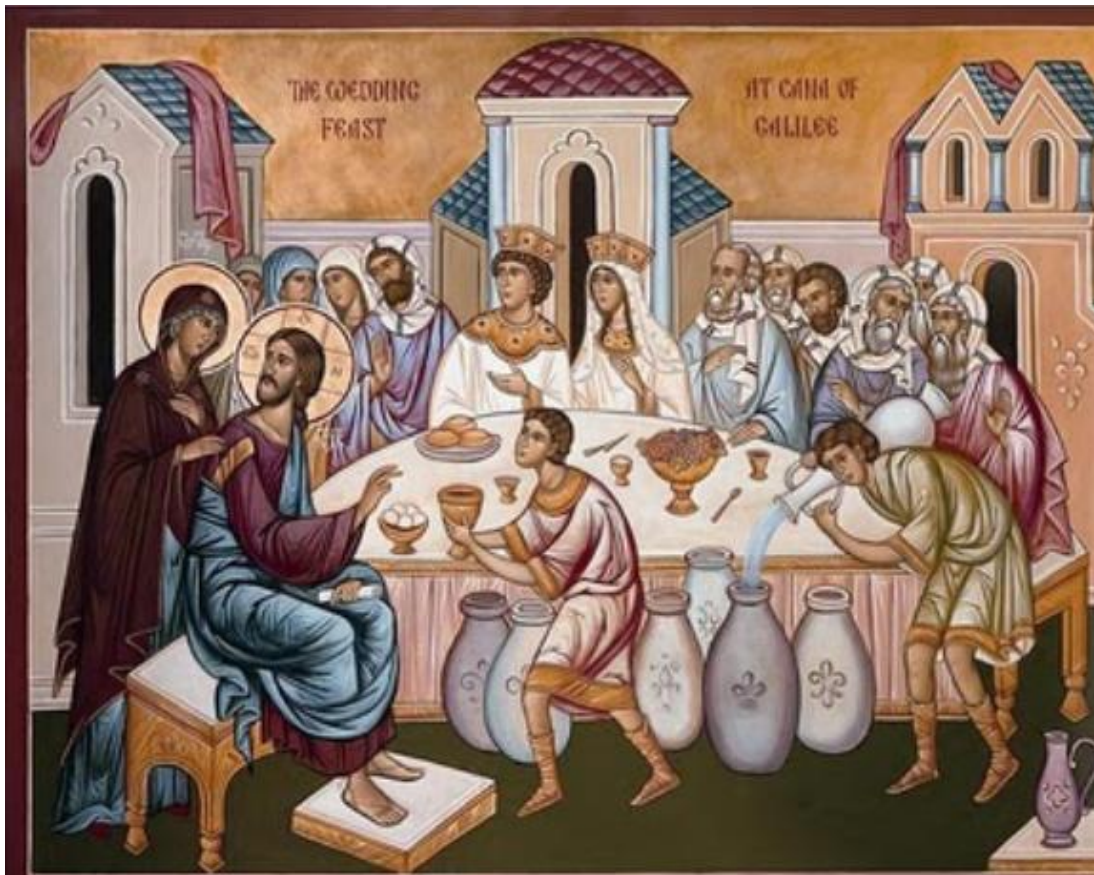
Dear all,

On Sunday there will be a few less services, as we join together to mark the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** in the afternoon, but we will be joined in the morning by our Archdeacon. You can find more information on services this Sunday in this mailing.

It is not too late to sign up to **Alpha** which begins on Monday. Whatever your journey of faith has been and wherever you might consider yourself on that journey now; you are very welcome to join us as together we'll be exploring who Jesus is, why he died, what the Holy Spirit does, what Church is all about - and more.

There are also a couple of **opportunities to serve** in our local church. Is God calling you to serve? Might you be able to help?

God bless,
Emily



Epiphany 2: some of us will be reflecting on Jesus' first miracle at the Wedding at Cana

Services & Events this week

Sunday 19th January

09:30 • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coates

11:00 • Sunday Worship with Holy Baptism at St Mary's, Whittlesey

15:00 • Prayer gathering for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at Queen St Church

Monday 20th January

9-11am • Trinity Tots at Holy Trinity, Coates

19:00 • Alpha at the Rectory

Tuesday 21st January

09:30 • Morning Prayer (Boiler Room) on Zoom

Wednesday 22nd January

09:15 • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coates

10:00 • Ministry Team meeting at Holy Trinity, Coates

Thursday 23rd January

10:00 • Holy Communion at St Mary's, Whittlesey

Friday 24th January

09:30 • Morning Prayer (Boiler Room) on Zoom

Saturday 25th January

09:30 • Lego Club at St Andrew's Hall

Sunday 26th January

09:30 • Morning Praise at Holy Trinity, Coates

09:30 • Morning Praise at St Andrew's, Whittlesey

11:00 • Sunday Worship with Holy Baptism at St Mary's, Whittlesey

11:00 • Holy Communion at St Thomas, Pondersbridge

For your **PRAYERS** this week:

For Persie who will be baptised this weekend.

For the unity of Christ's global church this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

For Churches Together in Whittlesey and District.

For those are unwell at this time and in need of healing,
including:

Paul and Nabila • Nalia James • Jane Randells • Joyce Rogers

*If you would like to add a name to the prayer list for healing,
please let us know. People with ongoing need of healing
remain in our prayers even if their names no longer appear
here.*

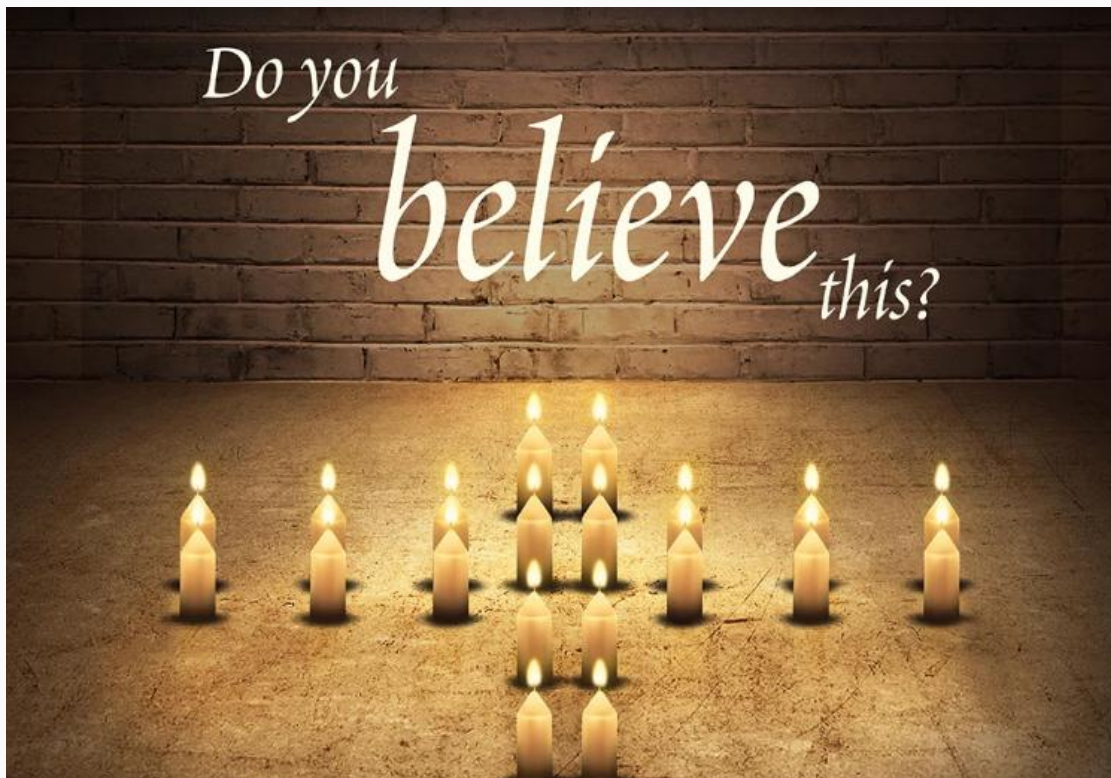
We remember those who have recently died and pray for their
family and friends at this difficult time, including:

Linda Atkin • George Brown • Ronald Fitzjohn • Mollie O'Brien
• George Pogbee • Anthony Ward



There will be just two morning services in the Benefice this Sunday and we will be joined in worship by our Archdeacon, Richard Harlow.

There will be a **Holy Communion** service at Holy Trinity, Coates at 9:30am at which the Archdeacon will preach and preside, and a **Church Family Baptism** at St Mary's, Whittlesey at 11am where we will be welcoming our own Persie into God's great family of the church and celebrating her baptism.



THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN

UNITY begins next weekend and to mark this annual event, Churches Together will be hosting a relaxed worship and prayer gathering at Queen Street Church on **Sunday 19th at 3pm**. Do join us - and others from our neighbouring church communities - to pray alongside our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

We will be reflecting on the theme of 'Do you believe this?' on the 1700th anniversary of the composition and adoption of the Nicene Creed. We shall be reflecting, praying and celebrating our fundamental unifying belief in the love, healing and guidance of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit - the Creator, the Saviour and the Enabler.

If you would like to particularly include the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in your prayers, you can read more and download some resources here: [Churches Together WPCU](#)



ALPHA will be starting soon - running on Monday evenings from the **20th January** in Whittlesey. Whether you have been going to church for years or are exploring faith for the first time - or anything in between! - all are welcome to come and explore faith with us at Alpha. You can book online here: [Alpha 2025](#)



Leading your Church
into Growth

LEADING YOUR CHURCH INTO GROWTH groups are continuing at St Andrew's and beginning soon at St Mary's. If you'd like to know more, please speak to:

Rev. Lloyd for **St Andrew's**
Belinda for **St Mary's**

Do you feel called to serve this year?

As followers of Jesus we are all called to worship and service in the God's kingdom. Can you spare some time and talent(s) to help the church?

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER - we are looking for an independent examiner for the Benefice (Team) Account. They need no specific qualifications, but need to be independent of Joint Council and would ideally have some practical experience of reading accounts. If you feel that you can help, please let Emily or a member of the Ministry Team know.

TREASURER for St Mary's, Whittlesey - we are looking for a new Treasurer for St Mary's from the next APCM (May 2025). We are very grateful to Charlotte who has fulfilled this role for the past two years.

The Treasurer keeps a record of income/expenditure, alongside PCC plans a budget for the year ahead and advises PCC on their financial position. If you feel that you can help, please let Emily, Charlotte or one of our Churchwardens at St Mary's know.

SAFER RECRUITMENT CO-ORDINATOR - following Lloyd and Emily's departure in the Spring, we will be looking for someone to co-ordinate the safer recruitment of volunteers across the Benefice. This is an administrative role.



At St Mary's on Sunday we were reflecting on our value of 'Worship and Generosity', and how we might worship through our giving and living as much as within our Sunday service.

If you feel called to support the local mission and ministry of Christ's church; by resourcing us to share the Good News of Jesus and helping us to reflect something of God's love and hospitality, then you might like to make a regular contribution to the church.

If you would like to give to **St Mary's** or **St Andrew's**, the simplest way is to sign up to the Parish Giving Scheme [here](#).

You can also set up a regular donation to all four of our parishes via our website [here](#).

Thank you to all who give to St Andrew's, St Mary's, Holy Trinity

and St Thomas' - our parishes solely rely on the generosity of local givers to resource our mission and ministry.



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Emily's rest day this week is Friday.

[Safeguarding Contacts](#) [*click on the link*]

"All things come from You, and of your own have we given You".

1 Chronicles 29:14



If you share our vision of sharing the Good News of Jesus with the communities of Whittlesey, Pondersbridge and Coates then you might like to support that vision financially.

It is very easy to give online [HERE](#).

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