



St Mary's
Bures

Church News

Sunday

15th January 2017

Today's Services – *Plough Sunday*

- 8:00 Holy Communion (BCP), Bures: *Tricia Box*
- 10.30 Plough Service, Bures: *Tricia Box*
- 10.30 Family Service with Baptism, Assington: *Mary Cantacuzene*
- 10.30 Holy Communion (CW), Little Cornard: *Steve Morley*

Next Sunday's Services – *Epiphany 3*

- 8:00 Holy Communion (BCP), Bures:
Steve Morley & Murray Emerson
- 10.30 Joint Service with the Baptist Church, Bures:
Steve Morley and Cath Brown
- 10.30 Morning Prayer, Assington: *John Symons*
- 10.30 Holy Communion (CW), Little Cornard:
Viv Brooks & Murray Emerson

What's happening this week (see notices)

Tues	12.30	Prayers for Christian Unity, followed by lunch, St Mary's (See notices)
Wed	9.15	Prayers in the South Porch, Bures
	10.00	Informal Service of Morning Prayer, Bures
	10.30	'Open Door' Drop-in café, Bures
Fri	9.00	Morning Prayer, Little Cornard
	12-2pm	Friday Lunch Club

Welcome ***We are glad you are here.*** If this is your first visit, then please complete a welcome card. If you need to know anything at all, please speak to one of our Welcome Team.

Coming Up This week

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2017 16th – 22nd January. This week offers opportunities to meet and pray with fellow Christians of different denominations from a range of churches in the local district. The theme this year is **Crossing Barriers** and there will be events across the Sudbury area. Details can be found on the CTis website: <http://churchestogetherinsudbury.org.uk/?s=week+of+prayer+for+christian+unity&x=6&y=4> or see the poster on our noticeboard.

St Mary's will be hosting a prayer meeting at **12.30pm** on **Tuesday 17th**. Please spare the time to come along and join in prayer with people from all over the country

Coming up this month



STEPPING STONES - Wednesday 25th - 2.00pm, St Mary's - Midweek Pre-School group for parents/carers and children under five. 20 minutes of fun, stories and song, followed by refreshments and play.

MOTHERS' UNION – Tuesday 26th at 7.30pm in St Mary's, Bures. We are very much looking forward to welcoming Betty Thomas who will be demonstrating some of her craftwork. Visitors are always very welcome.



MESSY CHURCH – Saturday 28th – 4.00 – 6.00pm – at St Mary's - All ages welcome to join us for crafts, games, stories and song, followed by a cooked meal together for adults and children in a fun, friendly environment. Our theme this month is 'Listening to God'.

SOLOS ON SUNDAY – Sunday 29th - St Mary's. All who would otherwise be 'home alone' are welcome to come along to our bring and share lunch. Please see the sign-up sheet just inside the church door.

Notices

Jo Goymour



After fourteen precious and hard-working years of ordained ministry in the parish and wider benefice, Jo has decided that the time has now come for her to step down from her public role as Assistant Priest and she has tendered her resignation to the bishop to that effect. We are all, of course, very grateful to Jo for all that she has contributed to the life and worship of the churches during those years. We will be making an opportunity in the coming weeks to express our thanks to Jo properly and to celebrate all that her ministry has meant to us.

THE ALPHA COURSE - On Tuesday 24th January at 7pm we will be starting **Alpha**; a weekly course introducing the Christian Faith. If you would like to find out more about Christianity, or know of someone who may be interested in coming along, please contact Mary on 227616 or Steve on 227407 for details.



CALLING ALL ALPHA COOKS – Can you offer to make a one-dish meal (e.g. cottage pie, lasagne etc.) for 12 people? If so, please contact Virginia on 227524. All expenses will be paid.

CHEER UP FEBRUARY – Come to a party for Bures, Assington and Little Cornard churches at Peartree Barn, Mount Bures on Sunday 12th February at 6pm. If you can, bring a bottle or a plate of nibbles – or just bring yourself. Everyone is very welcome.



Nearly New Clothes and Accessories

There will be a nearly new sale in church on the **11th February** from 10am-2pm. If you are available to help or have any clothes you wish to donate please call Andrea (228081) or Carolyn (228296)





Loop System: For people who are hard of hearing the church has a 'loop system'. Please adjust your hearing aid to 'T' and if possible sit at least 2 feet away from church walls.

Toilet Facilities: The toilet is located at the back of the church through the doors to the kitchen.

Alcohol Free Wine for Communion: Please inform the minister at the communion rail if you would prefer alcohol free wine.

Prayer: During communion or after the Service, members of our Prayer Ministry Team are available in the South Porch to pray for you, or with you on behalf of someone else.

Large Print Versions of the Hymn Books are available. Please speak to one of the sidespeople at the door.

Vicar: Rev'd Steve Morley 01787 227407 vicar@parishchurch.co.uk

(Please note Monday is the clergy day off)

Notice Sheet items should be sent to office@parishchurch.co.uk

For more details of what's on and to view the church calendar see:

www.parishchurch.co.uk



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