

## We pray for

**Those who mourn:** Susan and Derek Wolsten-Croft, as they mourn the loss of Susan's mum and prepare for her funeral on Monday. Richard and Kate Butler and their family as they celebrate Renée's life at Tuesday's Thanksgiving Service.

**The Sick:** We are aware that lots of people in our community currently have this flu bug, please pray that they will soon be restored to good health.

If you know of someone who might like prayer, needs a home visit or is unable to get to church and would like communion in their home, please speak to a member of the clergy or one of the Welcome Team.



We offer a personal ministry of prayer every week during the **10:30 Service**. If you wish to bring anything to God in prayer, and in private, please go to the South Porch during Communion where two people will be available to pray with you.

**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.

Vicar: Rev'd Steve Morley 01787 227407 [vicar@parishchurch.co.uk](mailto:vicar@parishchurch.co.uk)  
(Please note Monday is Steve's day off)

Notice Sheet items should be sent to [office@parishchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@parishchurch.co.uk)

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9.00am - 1.00pm**



# Church News

**Sunday  
21st January**

### Today's Services - Epiphany 3

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

### Next Sunday's Services - Presentation of Christ

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP) Bures: *Steve Morley*
- 10.30 Joint service with Baptists at the Baptist Church: *Tricia Box*
- 10.30 Morning Worship Assington: *John Symons*
- 10.30 Holy Communion Little Cornard: *Steve Morley*

### What's happening this week (see notices)

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| <b>Mon</b>  | 12.00  | Elsie Mary Mitchell - Funeral, Braintree Three Counties Crematorium |
| <b>Tues</b> | 2.30   | Renée Butler - Thanksgiving Service, Bures                          |
| <b>Wed</b>  | 9.00   | Prayers in the South Porch, Bures                                   |
|             | 10.00  | Informal Service of Morning Prayer, Bures                           |
|             | 10.30  | 'Open Door' Drop-in café, Bures                                     |
|             | 2.15   | Stepping Stones, St Mary's  |
|             | 7.30pm | Mothers' Union  |
| <b>Fri</b>  | 9.00   | Morning Prayer, Little Cornard                                      |
| <b>Sat</b>  | 4.00   | Messy Church  |
| <b>Sun</b>  | 12.30  | Solos on Sunday   |

**Welcome** It is good to have you with us today. Please stay for tea and coffee after the Service. If you are new here, we would like to keep in touch with you. Please fill in a Welcome Card and hand it to the person taking the service or one of the Welcoming Team.



For more details of what's on see:

[www.parishchurch.co.uk](http://www.parishchurch.co.uk)

## Coming Up This Week



**Stepping Stones** - We would love to increase our numbers and encourage new children (under the age of 5) and their parents to go along to our monthly group sessions. It's a wonderful opportunity for young children to enjoy fun activities and play, whilst parents can socialise with other parents and enjoy refreshments at the same time! Therefore, if you know of anyone who might be interested, please let them know that our next session will be on Wednesday 24th January at **2.00pm**, St Mary's, where they would be warmly welcomed.



**Mothers' Union** - Thursday 25th January. We are looking forward to welcoming Jan Lindsey-Smith who will be talking to us about the history of our fascinating 'Medieval Graffiti' in St Mary's. All very welcome to come along ...



**Messy Church** - Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January from 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 'Stairway to Heaven'.

**Solos on Sunday** - Sunday 28th January from 12.45pm at 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



### **\*\*News Flash\*\***

We are so very pleased to announce that we have so far raised over £1,000 .....

### **Home Groups - *If you are not in a Home Group, why not join one and make this a New Year's resolution?***

We have several groups meeting in various homes to learn more about our faith, study the Bible and support one another in prayer. The groups have resumed their New Year sessions and are always happy to welcome new members. Why not take a look at our Parish Magazine for further details and have a think about getting involved or find out more from a member of our Welcome Team after the Service. Our Home Group leaders met recently to discuss, plan and pray for our Home Groups. Please remember them in your prayers - they do a great job and work very hard for us!

**Church Email Distribution List** - If you wish to be kept up to date by email of activities and information about St Mary's, please email [office@parishchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@parishchurch.co.uk).

We send general information and provide updates on events and news on a regular basis. The emails also include specific prayer and practical requests and details of things happening in the local area that might be of interest. ***If you haven't received a church email for some time, you are likely to have dropped off the mailing list. If this applies to you, please let us know and we will add you back in.***