

Our prayers are also asked:

- for our parish and Cathedral Church as we look for the light and love of God in this Epiphany season
- for Tilly-Grace Dowle, Romilly Murdoch and Shelly Murdoch as they are baptised at St Swithun's
- for all victims and survivors of abuse
- for peace in the Holy Land
- for those who are sick or undergoing medical treatment
- for those who have died

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The Parish of Hempsted with St Mary de Lode
and St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester
in partnership with Gloucester Cathedral



Baptism of Christ
12th January 2025

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Swithun's
Readings	Isaiah 43: 1-7; Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22	
Preacher	Nikki Arthy	
10.00am	Parish Eucharist with baptisms	St Swithun's
Readings	Isaiah 43: 1-7; Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22; Psalm 29	
Preacher	Nikki Arthy	
3.00pm	Choral Evensong	Cathedral
4.00pm	Open for All Inclusive Eucharist	St Mary de Crypt
Preacher	Pauline Godfrey	

Contact the parish office for zoom links for Morning Prayer or
Compline

Sunday, 19 January: Epiphany 2

Parish Eucharist	St Mary de Lode	10.00am
Christian Unity Service	St Luke's	7.00pm

Tuesday, 14 January

Coffee and Chat with Hempsted School	Lysons Hall	9.00am
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Wednesday, 15 January

Morning Prayer	Zoom	9.00am
Stay & Play	Lysons Hall	9.00am

Thursday, 16 January

Compline	Zoom	9.00pm
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Friday, 17 January

Morning Prayer	Zoom	9.00am
Coffee, Cake & Conversation	St Mary de Crypt	11.00am
Prayers for the City	St Mary de Crypt	1.00pm

Saturday, 18 January

PCC Away Day	Rudford	10.00am
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Starting this Sunday, **12th January**, at **4pm** we have a new service at St Mary de Crypt. Once a month join us for **Open for All Inclusive Worship**, a monthly informal interactive service of Holy Communion in this beautiful sacred space. There will be music, silence, readings and a short reflection. The service will last about an hour and be followed by tea/coffee for those who wish to stay.

There will be a special service to mark the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** on Sunday 19 January at 7pm in St Luke's Church, Stroud Road. If you would like to attend and need a lift, have a word with Nikki.

On **Saturday 1st February**, between **12noon-5pm** everyone of **grandparent generation and the children they love and care for** in their families, churches and communities are invited to bring each other to **Gloucester Cathedral** for a fun and creative afternoon where you can explore Christian faith and spirituality together. There will be prayer spaces, story, activities, dance, interactive worship and more. The event is **free**, but it would be help if you could indicate that you plan to attend via the form on this webpage: <https://gloucester.anglican.org/event/faithful-generations-event/>

Rise and Shine Theatre Co. are bringing their production of **Murder most Wilde** to **St Mary de Crypt Church** on **Sunday 2nd February at 7pm**. Very loosely based on Oscar Wilde's comic and quirky tale "Lord Arthur Savile's Crime", a delightfully silly Victorian comedy chock full of muddled murder attempts and comic confusion. Tickets cost £14 for adults and £8 for children under 15. For more information, and to book tickets, visit their website: https://rainorshine.co.uk/winter_2024.html.

Our colleagues at **Listening Post** are recruiting, both for a paid, part-time (12 hours over 3 days) administrator, and for volunteers to welcome counsellors and clients when there is no staff presence at their three sites (St Mary de Lode, Hesters Way in Cheltenham, and Stroud). Further information on the paid position can be found here: <https://listeningpost.org.uk/recruiting-for-two-jobs/> (Closing Deadline 20th Jan). For more information on volunteering call the Listening Post office (9.30am -2pm Mon-Fri) on 01452 383820 or email Alice@lpost.org.uk.

Prayer for the week

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognise him as our Lord and know ourselves as your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.