



NOTE: All services are broadcast live on Facebook*

*Please see a Welcomer or Church Warden for advice on where to sit to avoid the camera



0930 Sung Eucharist

Followed by refreshments in the Margaret Old Hall due to Ballet Exams

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Bill S
Musicians: Simon and Choir
Readers: John S
Intercessor: Lynn J
Chalice: Steve J
Welcomers: Jean B

Music: 12 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry, 5 Hark! A herald voice is calling, 127 (tune 114) To thee our God we fly, 10 Long ago, prophets knew

Anthem: Arise, shine, for thy light is come - Elvey

1100 Morning Worship with Communion

Followed by refreshments at the back of church due to Ballet Exams

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Phil T
Musicians: Simon and Singers
Readers: I needed
Intercessor: Emma K
Chalice: Maureen T
Welcomers: Jenny D, Ann D
Powerpoint: Nicola T
Children's Groups: Claire D, Helen S

Music: 191 I am a new creation, 278 Jesus, God's righteousness revealed, 199 I cannot tell, 271 I worship you, 164 Here is love vast as the ocean, 368 My life is in you, Lord, 402 O Lord, your tenderness

1700 Reflective Evening Prayer

Everyone is welcome to join Revd Emma for reflective Advent evening prayer where we will be praying for all our Christmas services and activities.

Readings for Sunday 7 December Advent I

Advent 2 Prophets

Lord Jesus, light of the world,
the prophets said you would bring peace
and save your people in trouble.
Give peace in our hearts at Christmas
and show all the world God's love.

Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power
and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever.

Isaiah 11.1–10 – *page 696*

Psalms 72.1–7 – *page 585*

Romans 15.4–13 – *page 1141*

Matthew 3.1–12 – *page 967*

Post Communion

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

If you wish to follow the reading then please use one of the Bibles in the church.

Musings from the vicarage

What a wonderful start to Advent we have had this year, with our fayre bringing so many people through our doors, our services on Sunday morning where Ivy was welcomed into our choir and we lit the first candle on the advent wreath and hung baubles on our advent tree. Then to complete the weekend, the beautiful service at St Mary's, where we moved from darkness to light (and I got to wear a cope!).



There were so many things to give thanks to God for about Saturday. One highlight for me was seeing how many people came into our church and commented that they hadn't been in before, and how many went up and looked at the nativity scene which the Reception children from Cranborne had created earlier in the week. The absolute wonder on the children's faces is what Christmas is all about for me and it is why I am so grateful to you all for delivering leaflets and working so hard to ensure lots of people came to our fayre. Our job is to invite, to tell the story and to share the love of God with our community so that God can do the rest! And perhaps the most vital element is to pray, and this is something that we will have the opportunity to do as a church this Sunday evening at 5:00pm. Do come and join me so that we can lift all our upcoming events to God.

I wonder how you have got on this week with the Advent practice that you committed to during the service last week. If I'm honest, I have room for improvement over the next week! But every time I have gone into church and seen our Advent tree, it has reminded me that whether I am successful or not, the time is coming and Christ our light is near, so let's keep waiting with purpose and hope, and sharing in whatever ways we can during Advent, the light of Christ with our community.



Revd Emma

Dates for your diary and for prayer

Each week our worship follows this pattern

Tuesday morning	1000 Eucharist
Wednesday morning	Please take a few minutes to pray for our community
Sunday morning	0930 Sung Eucharist; 1100 Morning Worship
Saturday 6 December	0830 Churches Together Breakfast Prayers at St Giles Church, Blanche Lane, South Mimms
Sunday 7 December	1700 reflective Evening Prayer
Tuesday 9 December	1100 Christingle prep
Wednesday 10 December	1330 Charlie's Angels Christmas Special 1930 PCC social at the Vicarage
Friday 12 December	1815 Uniformed Organisations Christingle
Sunday 14 December	1800 Lessons and Carols
Wednesday 17 December	Church Cleaning in the morning 1100 Temple Court Carol Service
Sunday 21 December	1500 Messy Christingle
Tuesday 23 December	Church Cleaning in the morning
Saturday 10 January	1400-1800 Epiphany Open House at the Vicarage

See our list of Save the Dates for other upcoming events and services

Potters Bar Food Bank

The food bank is in need of

non perishable food (including cooking oil, tinned meat and fish, tinned fruit), toiletries, laundry and washing detergent and home cleaning products.

The collection boxes are in the Link corridor outside the office. Access to the foodbank is by referral, please speak to local clergy in confidence.

Please give generously

Eco Tip Advent 2: Why not get together with friends or family and make some eco decorations out of things you are recycling- silver foil bells from mince pie cases, garlands from dried orange segments, salt-dough stars or origami paper stars, being plastic free and good for the environment!

CHRISTMAS FAYRE 2025

Thank you to everyone who made this event such a success. So many people through the doors making positive comments about the fayre and our church. You are all amazing – thank you so much. Revd Emma

We will let you know the total monies raised as soon as possible, once everything has been added up but it is looking as we made in the region of £4000 which is absolutely fantastic!

Christmas Fayre 2025



We are pleased to inform you, that Kevin and his friends have found new homes, but not before he and Katy were married at KCM!



Safeguarding Awareness. You may have seen in the news that it has been announced that Bishop Robert Springett will become the new lead safeguarding Bishop in March 2026. On his appointment, he said: *'Safeguarding should not be seen as a burden, but embraced with joy for the opportunity it offers to serve others. I accept this invitation with a profound sense of calling to contribute to the development of healthy cultures across all areas of Church life. Through my involvement in the Scolding and Makin reviews, I have learned a great deal from victims and survivors—wisdom that will continue to shape and inform all that I seek to do in this new role.'*

Prayer – Week beginning 7 December

We invite you to pray on a Wednesday morning, no matter where you are, for our community, our town and the wellbeing of all.

Please pray for: the Year 1 children and their families who will be coming into church this week for their carol service, and for our Uniformed organisations coming for their Christingle, that as they hear again the Christmas story, they realise how much God loves them.

Those who live in: Shiltoe Avenue, The Shrublands, Suffolk Road

The recently departed and any others known to us personally.

Anniversary of death: Amy Cousins, David Hencken, priest, Yorkie Hodges, Sister Mary Eleanor, Denis Stacey, Jennifer Watts and all whose anniversary falls at this time.

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please contact the ministry team to have a chat or ask to speak to one of the pastoral team who will be happy to support you. The prayer list is published each week. **The list is being reviewed, if your name, or the name of a loved one is on the list, please let us know you would like it to remain.**

People can be added, moved or removed as required. If you are not on the list and would like to be added, or if you or a loved one are, but feel that this is no longer needed, please do let Revd Emma or the Office know.

In line with the Parish Prayer Policy, please ensure that you have permission from the person whose name you wish to add to the list.

Please email any requests for names to be added to the office (office@kcm-church.org.uk) no later than 5pm on a Wednesday.

If you wish to see a copy of the Parish Prayer Policy then please contact the office.

Coming up in church and on Facebook

Sunday 14 December – Advent 3

Readings: Isaiah 35.1–10, Psalm 146.4-10, James 5.7–10, Matthew 11.2-11

0930 Sung Eucharist

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Bill S
Musicians: Simon and Choir
Readers: Helen S
Intercessor: Judith R
Chalice: David T
Welcomers: Lynn J

Music: 55 Hail to the Lord's Anointed! 57 The race that long in darkness pined, 468 Through the night of doubt and sorrow, 277 Bread of the world in mercy broken, 186 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

1100 Morning Worship

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Phil T
Musicians: Simon and Singers
Readers: Ruth B
Intercessor: Gary D
Welcomers: David H, Sue T
Powerpoint: Ed S

Music: 96 Father in heaven, 84 Draw me closer, 37 Beauty for brokenness, 130 God of glory, 189 How lovely on the mountains, 212 I lift my hands

1700 Lessons and Carols

All are welcome to join Revd Emma and the Choir for our traditional 9 lessons and carols – listen again to the story of salvation, sing some of your favourite carols, and enjoy the poignant choir anthems. Festive refreshments will follow after the service.

NOTICES

New Choir Member. Last Sunday, Ivy was formally inducted into the choir and received her robes and medal. Congratulations Ivy, we look forward to seeing and hearing you sing! We would love some new choir members and singers for the 1100 service, so if you or your children or young people enjoy singing, why not have a chat with one of the current choir members or Simon and come and give it a try. Everyone is welcome.



MAPPA. The MAPPA for January was emailed out earlier this week. Please do check sooner rather than later, that you are able to do the tasks you have been allocated. If you are unavailable to make your allotted day, then please will you arrange to swap with someone else and then let Imogen know by email as she is not part of the WhatsApp group. If you have not received the MAPPA and were expecting to, then please let Imogen know. Spare copies are available at the back of the church.

The MAPPA for this month, December, has also been resent as there have been several changes. There are still some services with some tasks unallocated (these are in red text) – if you are help then please let Revd Emma or Imogen know. Thank you



Christingle Preparation. On Tuesday 9 December at 1100 after morning Communion, if you are free, come and join Revd Emma at the back of church for coffee and mince pies, whilst prepping Christingle bags for the Uniform Organisations service later in the week.

Advent Course: Advent Course: Our Advent courses, using Bishop Guli’s new Advent Book, ‘Listening to the music of the soul’ continue this week at the following times:

Daytime 1030-1200	Evening 1930-2100
Monday 8 December Monday 15 December	Thursday 11 December Monday 15 December Monday 22 December



Everyone is welcome whether you have signed up or not.

Key Register. Thank you to those who have already let us know what keys they have. We are sure there are more keys out there, so if you have **ANY KEYS** to doors in the church, please could you make a list of them and email or hand that list to either Bill or Revd Emma. It is vitally important that our list is up-to-date, and it does not mean that we will be taking keys away from people! If the list is not maintained, it can become very costly as locks may need to be changed. Many thanks.



2026 Churches together in Potters Bar Holiday Club: 27 – 31 July 2026 at KCM.

Thank you to those who have already returned your completed forms but **we need more help.** There is a meeting on Monday 8th to see whether we have enough help to enable to club to go ahead, so if you think you can help - even if only on one day, then please do fill in a form and return it either by email to pottersbar@rcdow.org.uk or a paper copy to

Revd Emma by 7 December.

This is such an important venture, and a way to support our community and share the good news of the gospel. There are lots of different roles for which we need volunteers, and you do not have to be available for the whole week so please don't hold back. Let's together make this happen.



Stamps. Please save your Christmas (and other) postage stamps for SPANA - a charity which provides treatment for essential working animals in poorer countries where there is little access to veterinary care. This enables animals to continue working and support their owners and families. There is a box at the back of church, please leave a border of 1cm. round the stamp.

Thank you – Joy

Supporting the work and mission of this church

The Church of King Charles the Martyr provides a spiritual focus and outstanding facilities for the local community. It is **OUR** church and like all charities is dependent on the generosity of its members, the local community, and others to make it prosper.

The church and halls cost us over **£3000 a week** to run and this isn't possible without your generosity.

*If you would like to support the work of the Church of King Charles the Martyr, you can do this either as a one off or by joining our regular giving scheme please speak to our Treasurer to set up **regular giving** to help us plan*

- by joining the Parish Giving Scheme [Potters Bar King Charles - Parish Giving Scheme](#)
- with the **cashless giving machine in church or online** on our webpage.
- **Remember us in your Will.** Legacies are a tax efficient way of giving to the church. Please do think about us when making or revising your Will.

How to access services at KCM

Sunday mornings go to the church website www.kcm-church.org.uk and click on the link on that page it will take you to Facebook where you will be able to click on the LIVE streaming or watch the services from previous weeks.

If you are in church, please be aware that services are live streamed and that you may like to sit nearer the back if you do not wish to be on camera.

How to stay in touch

This notice sheet is posted on our website each week, emailed to all those on our mailing list and posted to those without email access. *If you would like to receive a paper copy of this notice sheet please contact the office.*

The Church office is staffed and open to the public 9am - 12noon Monday and Thursday. Please do call ahead to ensure that someone will be available to help you. Outside of these hours email and calls are monitored but please be aware it may take a few days for us to get back to you.

We have a **KCM Family WhatsApp** group for information about the church and a **KCM Social WhatsApp** group to share the more lighthearted social chat – if you would like to join these groups please contact Revd Emma or the wardens to be added.

Keep an eye on our social media

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbHtNFKZaN7fHVIkIL2tYUQ>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/KCMChurchPottersBar/>

Please send information for this notice sheet to Imogen at office@kcm-church.org.uk by 5pm Wednesday evening.

In case of pastoral need, please contact Revd Emma.

Contact details:

The Vicar	Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson	Rest Day:
		Friday
	01707 661266 / 07549516589	vicar@

Please email the relevant person and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

All email addresses are xxx@kcm-church.org.uk

Lay Minister / Reader	David Thomson	reader@
Church Warden	Phil Townsend	churchwarden1@
Church Warden	Bill Simpson	churchwarden2@
Safeguarding Officer	Helen Schmitz	safeguarding@
Admin Assistant	Imogen St Pierre	office@
PCC Secretary	Nicola Thrussell	pccsecretary@
Treasurer	Steve Jones	treasurer@
Children and Families Worker	Vacant	families@
Youth Worker	Vacant	youth@
Music	Simon Worley	music@

For all hall enquires please email Imogen or Nikki using the halls address (halls@...) and they will respond as soon as they can.

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SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB – VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

During the summer of 2024 the churches in Potters Bar ran a holiday club for children of primary school age in Potters Bar at Pope Paul School. Adult volunteers were joined by teenage helpers and the children had a fantastic time doing art and crafts, games, drama and music.

During 2026 we hope for the Holiday Club to run from 27th – 31st July inclusive at King Charles the Martyr Church and Halls on Mutton Lane. We will continue to work with Scripture Union to aid the facilitation of the Holiday Club, but will be using resources from 'Faith In Kids' with the theme 'Shipwrecked', based on the story of Jonah. We hope for registration for families to open in May 2026, but **this can only go ahead with sufficient volunteers**. If you cannot make the whole week you can still volunteer for some of the days.

Can you help with art and crafts, games, drama, music, catering or administration? Could you lead a team of young people going from activity to activity? Full training is given and the sessions are led by experienced volunteers. PLEASE REGISTER NOW.

Scripture Union handle all our DBS checks, risk assessments, advertising and insurance. Once you have registered your interest as a volunteer locally **using this form**, we will send you further information in the New Year.

Please register below, indicating what days you are available and what areas you would ideally like to support in and return this form to your church office OR pottersbar@rcdow.org.uk no later than **Sunday 7th December 2025**.

Name:

Contact Email:

Church:

What days are you available (please tick all that apply):

- Sunday 26th July 2026 (Afternoon Set-Up)
- Monday 27th July 2026 (8.30am – 2pm)
- Tuesday 28th July 2026 (8.30am – 2pm)
- Wednesday 29th July 2026 (8.30am – 2pm)
- Thursday 30th July 2026 (8.30am – 2pm)
- Friday 31st July 2026 (8.30am – 4pm to incl. BBQ and packing away)

What activities would you like to support with (please tick all that apply):

- Registration/ Administration
- Arts & Crafts
- Group Leadership
- Games
- Drama
- Music
- Catering