

Notice Sheet for 28 January 2024
Epiphany 4
The Barton Benefice

Sunday 28 January:
Candlemas (DT)
Epiphany 4 (SB and WB)

9 for 9.30am family@church, Duns Tew

Theme: Candlemas
Come for 9am for breakfast and an activity
for children.

11.00am Eucharist, Steeple Barton

**5.00pm Evening Prayer,
Westcote Barton**

Readings

family@church:
Luke 2. 22-40

Epiphany 4:

Deut 18. 15-20

Psalms 111

Revelation 12. 1-5a

Mark 1. 21-28

Readings and collects will be sent out weekly as an
attachment with the Notice Sheet to read ahead of
the service or reflect upon afterwards.

Diary Dates and Notices

Please send notices to Clare by Tuesday morning.

Please also include any topics for our prayers

enquiries@bartonbenefice.org.uk

Details of services including the current month's Rota
of Services and any updates are on the website
bartonbenefice.org.uk or check noticeboards/
Facebook facebook.com/bartonbenefice/ or A Church
Near You website www.achurchnearyou.com/

Rotas are now compiled by Steph. For any requests or
changes, please let her know:

stephanielacey34@icloud.com

If you would like to speak to someone or for prayer
requests please contact Steph or Jane.

Jane's email address:

If you haven't already updated your contacts,
please update to the new email address:
clergy.bartonbenefice@gmail.com

Please Pray for ...

For all places experiencing war and conflict and for
swift resolutions to be found.

For everyone living in the wake of natural disasters.

For the work of aid agencies and all who are supported
by them.

For all who are in positions of leadership, nationally
and locally, and for everyone in the government.

For all who are experiencing hardship of any kind, in
this country and beyond.

For all who are persecuted for their faith.

Take a moment to reflect on things in the news or
whatever is on your mind right now.

Local Prayers:

For the Open the Book team as they go into school and
the children who attend the after school club.

For all who are unwell and all receiving or recovering
from treatment.

Give thanks for all who are well again following illness.

For everyone mourning the loss of a loved one.

Benefice Candlemas Service

Please note the **Candlemas Service** with blessing of
candles for the year ahead will be on **Sunday 4
February 9.30am in Westcote Barton.**

Meetings:

Sandford St Martin PCC Thursday 1 February 7.30pm,
Parish Hall.

Wednesday Lunch Club, 11am-4pm. A two-course
meal for £6. Open to all.

Weekly in the Alice Marshall Hall:

Saturdays: The Destiny Breakfast Café 9.30am-12
Drop in for food & chat at this weekly breakfast café.

Bible Study Group is now on Thursdays at 8pm.

On 8 February it will be at 11 Mill Close, Middle Barton.

Duns Tew charity of the quarter for January to March is **The Branch Trust**. This charity was set up to address the hidden poverty in the local area. It provides supports through advocacy, debt help, drop-in centres and courses in life skills, plus youth activities for deprived families in Chipping Norton. <https://thebranchtrust.org>

Lent Groups and Lunches

This year lent starts on Ash Wednesday which is 14 February. There will be a Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes in Duns Tew at 5pm.

We will be running Lent Lunches and Lent Groups again. More details to follow but here are the dates for your diaries:

Lent Lunches will be at 12.30 and will include a short talk. The dates are as follows:

Thursday 22 February, Over Worton

Friday 1 March, Sandford St Martin

Thursday 7 March, Steeple Barton

Friday 15 March, Duns Tew

Thursday 21 March, Westcote Barton.

Lent Groups will be at 8pm on the following dates:

Monday 19 Feb, Monday 26 Feb, Weds 6 March,

Thursday 14 March, Weds 20 March.



Food Bank: Donations in the Porch

Please continue to help by leaving a donation of tins / jars /packets of food for the whole family, including pets, in the porch of WB or SB.

**Sunday 4 February:
Candlemas (WB)
2 Before Lent (OW and SSM)**

**9.30am Benefice Candlemas Eucharist,
Westcote Barton**

11.00am Eucharist, Over Worton

**5.00pm Evening Prayer,
Sandford St Martin**

Readings

Candlemas Malachi 3. 1-5,
Hebrews 2.14 to end
Luke 2. 22-40

2nd before Lent

Proverbs 8. 1, 22-31

Psalm 104. 26 to end

Colossians 1. 15-20

John 1. 1-14

The Revd Jane Wright, Rector of the Benefice
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Please note Jane is no longer using the old outlook email address. Please amend your contacts.

If you would like to speak to someone or for prayer requests please contact Stephanie Lacey: tel 01869 347350 or email stephanielacey34@icloud.com
For admin enquiries, please email Clare Harper, Benefice Administrator
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