

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye
St Mary, Layer Breton with Birch
St Mary, Layer Marney
St Michael and All Angels, Copford
St Mary, Easthorpe



News for The Layers
with Birch, Copford &
Easthorpe

*To be a transforming presence in our community,
open and welcoming to all and serving all*

Sunday 25th July 2021, James the Apostle

Sunday's Readings

Jeremiah 45:1-5; Psalm 126; Acts 11:27-12:2;
Matthew 20:20-28

Sunday's Services

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30am Holy Communion

Led by Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw

St Mary, Layer Marney

9.00am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*

12.30pm Baptism of Darcie Robertson

Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw

Sunday's Services Online

9.30am all are invited to join the Zoom Sunday

Morning service from St Luke's, please contact us for

the link: Anne-Marie amlrenshaw@btinternet.com

Rosemary Gissler Weber rosemary.gw@gmail.com,

Christine Hall thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com

This week please pray for

Darcie Robertson who is to be baptised on Sunday at Layer Marney. Young people in villages, awaiting their A-level and GCSE results.

Coming Up This Week:

Online Bible Study on Zoom*, Mon, 26th at 7.30pm

Funeral of Margaret King, Tuesday at 1.30pm at St Michael's, Copford

Virtual Village Voices, Wed 28th at 8.00pm outside, depending on the weather. Contact Debbie: dwalsham63@gmail.com

Loop System in our churches: this is available on the 'T' position at St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye & St Michael Copford.

Covid Precautions When Coming to Church

We ask that you to continue to wear face coverings in church and we will ensure that you will be able to continue to be seated while socially distance in church if you wish to. We plan to gradually re-introduce the singing of hymns over the next few weeks. *Anne-Marie*

Next Sunday – 1st August 2021,

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

St Mary, Layer Marney

9.30am Lammas Service *Led by Revd Janet Nicholls, Agricultural Chaplain for our Diocese*

St Michael, Copford,

3.30pm Baptism of Hayley Newell

Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw

This Week's Sunday Resources, for Sunday 25th July,

for sermons, readings and prayers go to the team website and scroll down to find this Sunday:

<https://thurstablewinstreechurches.org> or <http://www.tk-tiptree-braxted-benefice.org.uk/index.html>

Chelmsford Cathedral's Live-streamed Services, Sunday Eucharist at 10.30am and Choral Evensong at 3.30pm every Sunday:

<https://www.chelmsford-cathedral.org.uk/worship/regular-worship>

Opening our Churches for Private Prayer:

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye AND St Mary the Virgin, Layer Marney:

Sunday & Wednesday - 10.00am to 4.00pm

St Michael & All Angels, Copford:

open daily from 9.00am until 4.00pm

St Mary the Virgin, Easthorpe:

Sunday, Wed & Friday - 10.00am to 4.00pm


Get in touch:

News sheet & Team Administrator, Christine Hall:

Please send items for Sunday **by midday on the Tuesday before**. Normal working hours: 10.00am to 12.30pm; Tue, Wed, Thur & some Fridays. thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com Mob: **07421 078981**

Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw, Team Rector

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 @RectorTiptree

Day off – Monday

Find our Church Websites & Social Media:

go to <http://www.thurstablewinstreechurches.org> or search for our churches on Facebook

Updated Guidelines:
Covid 19, Step 4 of the Government Roadmap from 19th July

We have received the new Church of England Guidelines which we can now apply in our churches. At our services we wish to make sure that everyone feels safe and secure while gradually being able to do more of the things that we love, such as singing hymns.

We will respect everyone's needs, and ask that you continue to wear face-coverings when in church. If you have special concerns, or wish to be seated while maintaining Social Distancing, please do let the sidesperson know at the door who will help you.

This Sunday we do ask that you register for **Trace and Test** as you arrive. This can be either by scanning the QR code using the app, or by the person on the door taking your details and ticking off on the sheet provided. This information will be kept for 21 days and then securely disposed of.

If you have and questions or concerns, please contact Christine Hall on weekdays 07421 078981
thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com

At weekends if you have any queries, please contact the Churchwardens:

If you would prefer to join us from home you can join the Sunday Services at St Luke's online in the usual way. Login details available from Rosemary, Anne-Marie or Christine Hall.

Covid-19: Bishop Sarah, Bishop of London urges caution and pays tribute to the vaccinators as Government restrictions lift: you can read her full statement by following the link here: [Bishop of London urges caution and pays tribute to vaccinators as restrictions lift | The Church of England](#)

Team Administrator Office Arrangements this week: I will complete my hours this week at 2.30pm on Thursday, and I will be on annual leave returning to work on Tuesday 10th August. From then on I will be working in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am and working from home on Wednesdays. Messages for me can be left on the office phone, 01621 819557, and my mobile or by email. Urgent queries from Friday 27th July may be directed to the Anne-Marie or the Churchwardens.
Many thanks, Christine Hall.

Zoom Bible Study Sessions, Mondays, 7.30-9.00pm: The Parables we meet again this Monday, 18th July. We have decided to continue to meet on Zoom as it suits our members and avoids going out on the darker evenings, as well as reaching out to everyone in our Team of churches with no travelling involved. We are always happy to see new people join us, and we will be delighted to see anyone from any of our Team of nine churches who would like to join us now that Lydia has left. Please contact Wendy Borgartz for login details. 01376 573184 w.borgartz@btinternet.com

Postponed: Taizé Evening at St Luke's, Tiptree, we are sorry to announce that the Cantus Firmus Trustees have taken the decision to postpone the Taizé service on 25th July due to concerns about safety. Once a new date has been agreed we will let you know.



The COURSE IN CHRISTIAN STUDIES

An opportunity to explore the Christian faith with others. The course runs over two years, is open to anyone over the age of 16 and is based on weekly meetings in local groups.

It is hoped to be able to offer the CCS course as Face to Face sessions as well as Zoom sessions. In addition CCS can be accessed entirely online using the interactive programme Moodle where you will interact with fellow students and tutors through online forums and posts.

The CCS Taster/Introductory event will take place via ZOOM on Saturday 11th September starting at 10.30am.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact

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