

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 28th November 2021, First Sunday of Advent

Sunday's Readings

Jeremiah 33: 14-16*; Psalm 25: 1-10;
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

Sunday's Services

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Holy Communion *Led by The Ven
Ruth Patten, Archdeacon of Colchester*

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*
4 pm Nativity Planning Meeting – *do come
along to find out more! Full details over page ...*

Sunday's Morning Service Online

Join us on Zoom Sunday Morning at 9.30 am,
from St Luke's, Tiptree *using the usual link.**

This week please pray for

The family & friends of Raymond Munson, whose
funeral was last week at Layer de la Haye. **Lee &
Lauren Ridgewell**, who are to be married at Layer
Marney on Saturday 11th December. Also please
pray for **all who live alone and for our schools.**

Coming Up This Week:

Online Bible Study on Zoom, 7.30 pm Monday,
29th November. Contact Wendy, 01376 573184.

Layer Breton Coffee Shop, Wednesday 1st
December, 10 am – 11.30am. Join us at the church
for coffee & homemade cakes. More details from
Debbie: dwalsham63@gmail.com

Village Voices, 8 pm, Wednesday, 1st December at
Layer de la Haye Church. dwalsham63@gmail.com

String Concert at Layer Marney Tower, 7.30pm
Thursday 2nd December in aid of the church.
Details from thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.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.*

**Under Pew Heaters, St John the Baptist, Layer de la
Haye:** please avoid putting coats etc. under the pews
(the on/off switch is underneath, at the end)

Next Sunday – 5th December 2021, Advent 2

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Christingle Service *Led by the Family
Service Team. We are collecting presents for
HomeStart – see details over page ...*

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Holy Communion
Led by Revd Michael Hatchett

St Mary, Copford

10.30 am Holy Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*

Weekly Sunday Resources:

*To find our weekly Sunday resources - sermons,
readings & intercessions, go to our Team
website: <https://thurstablewinstreechurches.org>*

Sunday services are Live-streamed from
Chelmsford Cathedral: [https://www.chelmsford-
cathedral.org.uk/worship/regular-worship](https://www.chelmsford-cathedral.org.uk/worship/regular-worship)

Watch the Kelvedon & Feering Churches Sunday
Morning Reflections on Youtube led by Revd
Simon Garwood [https://www.youtube.com/
channel/UCmW9OUftNbcTbMcVBzPMuIA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmW9OUftNbcTbMcVBzPMuIA)

* *For Login details to the Sunday service at
St Luke's please contact: Anne-Marie, Rosemary
Gissler-Weber or Christine Hall – details below**
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<https://www.facebook.com/StJtheBinLH>
<https://www.facebook.com/StMtheVinE>
<https://www.facebook.com/StMtheVinLM>
or, search for St Michael's, Copford

Get in touch:

News sheet & Team Administrator, Christine Hall:
Please send items for Sunday **by midday on the
Tuesday before.** My normal working days and hours
are: 10.00am to 12.30pm on Tue, Wed and Thurs.
I may also work some Friday mornings due to Covid.
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Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw, Team Rector
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@RectorTiptree

Day off – Friday

Find our Church Websites & Social Media:

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

Reminder about Covid 19:

As we know, coughs and colds are in the community and for those who are vaccinated the symptoms are very similar, and lateral flow tests may not always be accurate.

We ask if you have a cough or a cold, please don't come to church or to a meeting. Even if it is just a cold, we don't all want to catch it. Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe. *Anne-Marie*

News and Events this Week & Looking Ahead:

Zoom Bible Study sessions, Mondays, 7.30-9 pm: the Bible Study group continues with its theme of Prayer, **this Monday, 29th November.** All are welcome to join us, contact Wendy Borgartz for the link: 01376 573184 w.borgartz@btinternet.com.

The Diocese are running a foundation course in pastoral care in the new year. These courses will be available online using Zoom. They will be on Thursdays, in the Afternoon: from 2 pm to 4.30 pm OR, in the Evening: 7 pm to 9.30pm. Full details from Diane Hardy, Course Administrator at dhardy@chelmsford.anglican.org or 01245 294449. *The course is free and is designed to develop our understanding of pastoral care from a Christian perspective, and help us be more effective in caring for others.*

Treasurer for St Mary's, Layer Breton We are seeking a treasurer, if this would be of interest to you, please contact Liz Dingle, 01206 330531 emdingle@aol.com. *Thank you.*

Looking towards Advent & Christmas

Please remember to bring your face coverings to wear at our Christmas services, and help us to continue to keep each other safe

All-age Family Service, Sunday 5th December, 10.30 am at Layer de la Haye

As part of our service we will be making Christingles - **everything will be provided.**

We will also be collecting Christmas presents for HomeStart to give to disadvantaged children in Colchester aged 3-16. Please wrap, and attach a label stating girl/boy, age and contents.

Many thanks for your support

Carol Services

Sunday 12th December, 6 pm at St Michael's Copford

Sunday 19th December, 4 pm at St Mary's Easthorpe

Sunday 19th December, 6 pm at St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

Layer Marney Nativity, Monday 20th December, 5 pm

If you would like to take part, or know someone who would be interested, please come and join us for our planning meeting on Sunday 28th November at 4 pm. Everyone welcome!



Crib Services, Christmas Eve, Friday 24th December

3.30pm St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

5 pm St Michael & All Angels, Copford

6.30 pm St Mary, Layer Breton

Midnight Communion, Friday 24th December

11.30pm St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye



Our Churches are open at the following times for Private Prayer and visitors:

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye: 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: open daily from 10.00am to 4.00pm

St Mary the Virgin, Layer Marney* every day, from 10.00am to 4.00pm

** If you would prefer to visit Layer Marney Church at a quieter time, please check the events 'Coming Up This Week' to see if the church will be busy or check with us first: thurstableteamadmin@internet.com*