



Church News

SERVICES THIS WEEK

11 January BAPTISM OF CHRIST	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bowerchalke	Alison Waterhouse
	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Nunton	Ruth H-S
	10.30am	Worship Together	Broad Chalke Hub	Janet Roe
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Homington	Alison Waterhouse
	11.00am	All Age Service	Alvediston	Biddy Trahair
	3.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Fifield Bavant	Biddy Trahair
	4.30pm	Evensong (BCP)	Charlton All Saints	Ruth H-S

The Gospel reading for Sunday 11th January

Matthew 3 v 13 - 17 - The Baptism of Jesus

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."



**THE CHALKE VALLEY
ALPHA COURSE** Tickets required – no charge

 **Broad Chalke Village Hall 7.30pm**
Introductory Supper 15th January

"The two most important days in your life are the day when you are born and the day you find out why"
Mark Twain

THE HEAVENS
Thursday, 8 January 2026

Creator of the heavens,
who led the Magi by a star
to worship the Christ-child:
guide and sustain us,
that we may find our journey's end
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.


PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Readings for Sunday 11th January - The Baptism of Christ:

Old Testament : Isaiah 42 v 1-9 **New Testament :** Acts 10 v 34 - 43

Gospel: Matthew 3 v 13 - end **Psalm:** 29

Brenda Read-Brown



BUT I HAVEN'T FINISHED YET!

Join performance poet Brenda Read-Brown in a playful celebration of growing older

A show to amuse and delight anyone who is older than they were yesterday

An Evening of Entertainment at Bishopstone Village Hall, SP5 4AA
Saturday 24th January 2026 at 7pm for 7.30pm

Tickets £12.50 to include first drink and canapés

Booking essential

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In aid of St John the Baptist Church Bishopstone Roof Appeal



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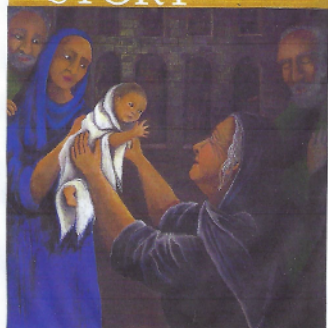
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WORSHIP TOGETHER

Sunday 11th January at 10.30am
at the HUB, Broad Chalke

**ANNA'S
STORY**



Hope, Trust, Belief.

If you are unable to attend a service in church this Sunday, there are services on the radio ...



**8.10am BBC Radio 4
God's Light on the Isle of Man**

A service exploring how God's light is revealed in the island's mission and ministry



**3.00pm BBC Radio 3
Choral Evensong**

Choral Evensong from St Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue, New York City

The Collect for this Sunday

***Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted
children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,***



**Chalke Cueibet Partnership Prayers
2024**



Please pray for the whole Christian community in Cueibet as they begin the New year; in particular The School Committee-
Moses Mayon - Headteacher
Revd David Cook Awet - Bishop's Commissary
Canon Mary Akoi Dhuor - previously Cathedral Provost
as they oversee the latest stage of the new School building as it nears completion

Pray too for Former Bishop Elijah as he helps them and Archbishop Alapayoh as he looks to the future leadership of our link Diocese.

Clergy Contacts & Working Days

Please note that the clergy team is available throughout the week and a member of the team is always available in an emergency or for an immediate pastoral need.

Revd Ruth Tel: 01722 697022 - Revd Ruth's non-working day is a Monday.

Revd Alison: 01722 697404 or 07904 034221 - Revd Alison's non-working day is a Friday.

Revd Kate: 07754 582395

Revd Maggie: 01722 325825