Langley Marish News Sheet

Welcome to this service, especially if you are visiting us for the first time.
At a Communion service, everyone is welcome to receive communion, the bread and wine.
If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please come to the altar rail carrying a service book.

Sunday 22 November Christ the King | Stir Up Sunday

CB	8.00 am	Eucharist (BCP)	St Mary
DR/JR	9.30 am	Service of the Word	St Francis
CF	9.30 am	Eucharist	Christ the Worker
CF	11.00 am	Eucharist and Sunday Club including Grow Course Presentation	St Mary

This Week

Monday - Saturday			8.45 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
NOV	Monday	23	10.00 am to noon	Shamrocks Friendship Club	Shamrocks Pub 12 Parlaunt Road
	Tuesday	24	10.00 am	Langley Community Coffee Shop	St Joseph Hall Holy Family
			2.00 pm	Needles and A Yarn	Christ the Worker
			7.30 pm	PCC Meeting	Hurst Room St Mary's Centre
			7.30 pm	Bell Ringing Practice	St Mary
	Wednesday	25	10.00 am	Eucharist followed by Advent Course	St Francis
	Thursday	26	All day	Replacement Tower Netting	St Mary
	Friday	20	7.00 pm	Junior Choir Practice	St Mary
			8.00 pm	Adult Choir Practice	St Mary

Future Events

NOV	Sunday	29	4.00 pm	Christingle	St Mary
			7.00 pm	Advent Carol Service	St Mary
DEC	Tuesday	1	7.00 pm	Langley Grammar School Christmas Concert	St Mary
	Sunday	6	6.30 pm	Nine Lessons and Carols	Christ the Worker
	Sunday	13		Parish Christmas Meal after 11.00 am service	Red Lion Sign Up Sheets in churches
	Tuesday	15	1.00 pm	Langley Hall Primary Academy Carol Service	St Mary
	Wednesday	16	7.00 pm	NEW Christmas Sparkle Event (see back page)	St Mary
	Sunday	20	3.00 pm	Coffee and Carols	St Francis
	Christmas Eve	24	4.00 pm	Crib Service	St Mary
			7.00 pm	Carols by Candlelight	St Mary
			11.30 pm	Midnight Mass	St Mary
	Christmas Day	25	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist	St Mary
		27	10.00 am	Joint Parish Service	St Francis
	New Years Eve	31	11.30 pm	New Years Eve Vigil	St Mary
				Parish Procurement & Purchasing Meeting	TBC

Sunday 22 November 2026
Christ the King | Stir Up Sunday

Collect
Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.



Readings

Old Testament	Ezekiel 34. 11 - 16, 20 - 24
New Testament	Ephesians 1. 15 - end
Gospel	Matthew 25. 31 - end

Post Communion
Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Next Week 29 November 2026
Advent 1

Service Times

St Mary	8.00 am, 11.00 am, 4.00 pm & 7.00 pm
St Francis	9.30 am
Christ the Worker	11.00 am

Readings

Old Testament	Isaiah 64. 1 - 9
New Testament	1 Corinthians 1. 3 - 9
Gospel	Mark 13. 24 - end

Message from the Rector

Dear friends,

Today, the feast of Christ the King, marks the end of the Church's year. The readings present us with a triumphant Christ: not a triumphalist Christ, but one who recognises the universal rule of God expressed in Christ, who is the Shepherd King. No power in the world can match the power of the reigning Lord; Israel's Messiah is the Lord of the whole world. And today, in the world, Christ's presence is encountered not in demonstrations of power and majesty, but in being associated with the poor, the needy, the marginalised, the broken, and those for whom life is hard.

The Old Testament reading, from the wonderful prophecy of Ezekiel, dwells on the nurturing and protecting role of the Shepherd King, whose people we are. We are the sheep of his pasture, as it says in Psalm 100. Even in the presence of the majestic Christ, people do not tremble; we come into his presence with thanksgiving, singing songs.

Then comes the letter to the Ephesians, where Christ is seated far above all rule and authority, power and dominion.

But neither of these texts has anything to do with flag-waving or jingoism. Rather, they acknowledge that we are living in a state of the now and the not yet. For the Son of Man who suffered and was crucified is manifest and seen among the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and the imprisoned. In Jesus, death will be vanquished, and the suffering Son of Man will rule as judge over all the nations.

Chris



ST MARY LANGLEY SUNDAY CLUB

22 November
6 December

LANGLEY MARISH YOUTH GROUP

12 December

St Mary's Junior Choir

CHRISTINGLE REHEARSALS	CRIB SERVICE REHEARSALS
20 November	4 December
27 November	11 December
	18 December

CHRISTMAS
MEAL
RED LION
SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER 2026
AFTER 11.00 AM SERVICE

PLEASE ENSURE
YOU HAVE PAID BEFOREHAND
SEE OUR ORGANISER
SHEILA SCHMIDT

DON'T FORGET

MERRY CHRISTMAS 2026

from the Langley Marish Team Ministry

St Mary the Virgin
St Mary's Road SL3 7EN

Sunday 29 November
4.00 pm Christingle
7.00 pm Advent Carol Service

Christmas Eve
4.00 pm Crib Service
7.00 pm Carols by Candlelight
11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10.00 am Sung Eucharist

New Years Eve
11.30 pm New Years Eve Vigil

Christ the Worker
Parlaunt Road SL3 8BB

Sunday 6 December
6.30 pm Nine Lessons and Carols

St Francis of Assisi
Upton Court Road SL3 7NE

Sunday 20 December
3.00 pm Coffee and Carols

Copies of our Christmas Services are now available in churches.

Please do take a copy home with you.
Take extra copies to give to family, friends and neighbours.
Do take more to display on local noticeboards and/or shops near to you. We have more to hand out during the Christmas Fayre. Thank you!

Do you live, work, or spend time in Foxborough?

PRIDE IN PLACE
LED BY YOU – BACKED BY UK GOVERNMENT

Links to more information and survey can be found here:
https://slough.citizenspace.com/corporate/foxborough-pride-in-place/
https://slough.citizenspace.com/corporate/foxborough-pride-in-place/consultation/subpage.2026-10-08.5197589861/

The Pride in Place Programme is bringing up to £20 million of investment to the Foxborough area over the next 10 years. The best part? Residents will decide how this funding is spent.

Slough Borough Council and Pride in Place would love to hear your ideas on how we can make Foxborough:

- A better place to live, one that thrives
- A stronger, more connected community
- A place where residents have more influence over local decisions.

Slough Borough Council



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Thank you to everyone who has donated for the Fayre and supporting on the day.

Just a quick reminder that if you donate any food products - cakes etc - we need to provide ingredients sheets. Available in churches and at this link:

https://langleymarish.com/parish-events/

We look forward to welcoming everyone to St Mary on Saturday!

Thank you!

THANK YOU!



ALL WELCOME

OPEN INVITATION

Come and join us
and help prepare the church for Christmas
with a bit of '**SPARKLE**'!

This is a fun collaborative event with a suitable activity for everyone!

It will involve some
Cleaning the Brass, Silver and Chandelier
Putting up the tree and tree lights.

Refreshments will be provided.

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