



St. Nicholas Marston



Christmas 2021



Nicholas of Myra lived between about 270 and 343 AD. There are many legends about his generosity and care. Today, his memory lives on in stories of Santa Claus and Father Christmas.

With St Nicholas, we celebrate the birth of Jesus of Nazareth who lived and died In Palestine under Roman rule at the beginning of this era. But what we celebrate is not a legend,. We believe that Jesus conquered death and gave us new life full of joy. We invite you all to share that joy this Christmas here in Marston.

Sat 27 Nov 10 am to 12 noon

Elsfield Christmas Fair

Gifts – Crafts – Raffle – Drink & Food at St Thomas, Elsfield

Sun 28 Nov 10 am

Advent Hope Celtic Communion Service

Accessible for all ages – Lighting of first candle – Junior & Youth Choirs – Under 5s activities table – Refreshments

Sat 4 Dec 3 pm to 5 pm

Christmas Market at the Vicarage

Mulled wine – Roast chestnuts – Gifts – Cakes – Crafts – Tea
Tombola – Carols – Refill station – Gingerbread – Music

Sun 5 Dec 9 am St Nicholas Gift Service & Family Communion

Bring a gift to be passed on – see our website for details

Sat 11 Dec 4.30 pm

Carols around the Tree

Salvation Army band – Lighting the Tree – Carols – Stories –
For children of any age (wrap up warm, it will be outside!)

Sun 12 Dec 6 pm

Nine Lessons and Carols

Traditional Christmas readings and carols by candlelight
followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

Sun 19 Dec 4 pm

Christingle Service

Songs, stories, prayers using Christingles. Bring the whole
family!

Mon 20 Dec 7 pm

Carols by Candlelight at Elsfield

Elsfield Singers – Refreshments – at St Thomas, Elsfield

Wed 23 Dec 7 pm

Beer and Carols at the Red Lion

Join us for a song and drink in the outside area.

Christmas Eve 7 pm

Family Carols

This is the only event that needs booking in advance. See our website or contact the Parish Administrator

Christmas Eve 11:30 pm

Midnight Mass

Celebrate the start of Christmas Day in the traditional way with well-loved carols.

Christmas Day 10 am

Christmas Communion at Marston

The best way for anyone to start Christmas morning!

Christmas Day 12 noon

Christmas Communion at Elsfeld

The best way for anyone to start Christmas afternoon!

Where to find us

St Nicholas Church is on Elsfeld Road in Old Marston. Parking is limited at Christmas, so come on foot if you can.

Covid Precautions

We ask that you use hand sanitiser, wear a face covering and keep social distance. Precautions may change in line with government and church guidance. You need to book ahead for Christmas Eve Family Carols.

Live Streaming

Many of our services are live streamed, so if you can't attend in person, you can join us from wherever you are, whenever you can. Just go to our YouTube channel (search for St Nicholas Marston).

Services, clubs and special events

There is more information about all our services and activities in the Marston Times, on our website: stnicholasmarston.org.uk and our Facebook page.

If you'd like to know more, contact our Parish Administrator, tel 580354, email administrator@stnicholasmarston.org.uk or the Vicar, Revd Skye Denno, tel 202900, email vicar@stnicholasmarston.org.uk