

WELCOME

We are very pleased to welcome you if you are a visitor or newcomer to the church. If you'd like to, please make yourself known to the sidesperson or a churchwarden; we'd be delighted if you'd join us for coffee in the church hall after the service. We use a variety of liturgy. There is a T loop in the church for the benefit of people with hearing aids and a heater under each pew which you can switch on if it is chilly. There is a WC and changing facilities in the vestry opposite the entrance which you can use at any time. Find more at www.stnicholasmarston.org.uk

MATTHEW 1:18-end

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.' When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

HAVE YOU ALWAYS DREAMED OF PLAYING MARY, A SHEEP OR AN ANGEL?



The Carol and Nativity service is looking for helpers to act in our NATIVITY play.

ALL AGES wanted. Please come to the rehearsal at 4.30 pm on Saturday 24th if you would like a spoken part. Or you can come dressed up at 5 pm and simply join in on the afternoon!

24th DECEMBER 2022 - Christmas Eve 11.30 pm MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

Led by	Revd Andy Gosler
Preacher	Joel Denno
Processional:	It came upon a midnight clear CP56
Gradual:	Silent Night CP69 (version 1)
Offertory:	O little town of Bethlehem CP63
Communion:	Reflective music
Recessional:	O come all ye faithful CP61 (omit*verses)

CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar: Skye Denno 202988

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Please note that Tuesday is the Vicar's Day off.

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Debbie Bailey is usually in the office from 9.30am to 2.30pm on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

Please note that you can download the pew sheet each week to your phone from our website: stnicholasmarston.org.uk.

Our Music Licences: CCLI Licence # 493757 ; One License 401285-M

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 20 December

7pm Carols and Beer at The Red Lion.

Wednesday 21 December

9.30 am Holy Communion at St Nicholas.
Followed by coffee and cake.

6.30 pm Celtic Gathering.

Thursday 22 December

7 pm Carol service led by the Elsfield singers
at St Thomas Church in Elsfield.
Parking is available at Farm opposite
the church.

Friday 23 December

7 pm Carol singing at The Victoria Arms.

Saturday 24 December – Christmas Eve

5 pm Carol & Nativity Service.

7 pm Carol Service.

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Sunday 25 December – Christmas Day

10 am Holy Communion

12 noon Holy Communion at St Thomas

CAROL SERVICE at BRADLANDS 19 DECEMBER

There is a carol service at Bradlands on Monday
19th December at 4 pm. All are welcome to join.

CELTIC GATHERING 21 DECEMBER

Mark the winter equinox at a Yule gathering
around the fire pit outside the vicarage from 6.30
pm on Wednesday 21st December.

CHRISTMAS EVE 24 DECEMBER

Carol Services at 5 pm and 7 pm and Midnight
Mass at 11.30 pm.

CHRISTMAS DAY 25 DECEMBER

Family Communion at 10 am.

DO YOU PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?

If you do and would like to join in with the carols
please bring it with you to the Red Lion on 20th
or the Victoria Arms on the 23rd.

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP – distribute the mince
pies and mulled wine following the 6 pm Festival
of Nine Lessons and Carols?

WARM WEDNESDAY WELCOME

The Church Hall is open each Wednesday
afternoon to offer hot drinks and a warm
welcome. We have board games, magazines,
homework space and information about other
local groups. We plan to operate from November
to March. Please let friends and neighbours know.
For more information, contact Jane Burd
(janeburd0@gmail.com).



18th DECEMBER 2022

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

TODAY'S SERVICES

8 am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

Led by Revd Andy Gosler

Preacher Revd Andy Gosler

Gospel John 1:19-28

(pages 53-54 in the BCP)

10 am A FAMILY SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

Live streamed straight onto YouTube

For Hayden & Martha Addison and all are
welcome to join.

6 pm FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Live streamed straight onto YouTube

A Candlelight Service & 900th Church Anniversary
Celebration followed by mulled wine & mince
pies.