



Latest NEWS for week Beginning 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026

### **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January**

Readings: Acts 10 34-43, Matthew 3 13-end

10.30am LEP Service St Bridget's, Brean with Brean Methodists

10.30am Praise Service St Mary's, Berrow

10am Parish Eucharist St Mary's, East Brent

### **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

Readings: 1 Cor. 1 1-9 John 1 29-42

10.30am Joint Holy Communion St Mary's, Berrow

8.30am BCP Holy Communion St Michael's Brent Knoll

10am Parish Eucharist St Michael's Brent Knoll

6.30pm The Gathering St Mary's Church Room Berrow

**Midweek Prayer Service** – Every Wednesday 9.30am St Mary's Church Berrow. All welcome.

### **Regular Events**

#### **Little Seedlings** (Parent/carer and baby/toddler group)

Wednesdays *term time only* 9:30-11:30am, St Mary's, Church Room.



#### **Berrow and Brean Community Cafés and Hubs**

Every Tuesday 1:30 - 3:30pm Berrow Village Hall

Every Thursday 1:00 - 3:00pm Brean Village Hall

Tea/coffee, cake, chat and games Everyone welcome. **Note new times for Berrow Hub.**

**Nosh and Natter** First Tuesday monthly -12.15 St Mary's Church Room. Bible study with bring and share lunch.

**Next meeting:** 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026.

#### **'Fun Club Youth Group' For school years 4, 5, and 6.**

Next meeting 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 in St Mary's Church Room, Berrow. Come along and have some fun. Crafts, games, tuck shop and more. All very welcome.

### **For more information**

**website:** berrowandbrean.co.uk

**St Mary's Church Room Bookings:** [stmaryschurchroombookings@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryschurchroombookings@gmail.com)

**Facebook:** St Mary's Berrow, and St Bridget's Brean

**Email Della on** [berrowpcc.churchwarden1@gmail.com](mailto:berrowpcc.churchwarden1@gmail.com) **to include items in the newsletter**

## **The Gathering**

Join us at 'The Gathering' on the **3rd Sunday of each month** at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church Room, as we offer Praise, Worship & Prayer in the presence of our awesome Creator God. Expect the unexpected as we wait on Him to bring healing & blessings.

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## **Quiz Night**

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January 7pm** St Mary's Church Room, Berrow.  
Teams of 6. Cost £5 per person; snacks included. To sign up contact Della on 01278 789023/07759899334 or by email.  
(We can put you in a team if don't have one)

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## **Social and Fundraising events for St Mary's, Berrow for 2026 – Save the dates**

**Cream Teas** will be served every weekend from 3<sup>rd</sup> May – 27<sup>th</sup> September in Church Room

**Quiz Night** 31<sup>st</sup> January 7pm in Church Room

**Plant Sale and Art Exhibition** 9<sup>th</sup> May 10.30 - 4pm

**Summer Concert** 4<sup>th</sup> July 7pm

**Quiz Night** 12<sup>th</sup> September 7pm in church

**Christmas Craft Fair** 21st November 2 – 4pm in Church

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## **Allsorts Choir – give us a try!**

Come for a taster session and see whether you like us. If you love singing and having fun give us a try.

Contact: [sue.toon@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.toon@btinternet.com) or 07917 028451 for more information.

Rehearsals start again on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026 in the East Brent Village Hall from 19.30 where we start learning songs from popular musicals Starlight Express, The Greatest Showman or Half a Sixpence.

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## **Prayer Group**

We have a prayer chain of 8 people who pray regularly. All prayer requests are strictly private and confidential. If you would like prayer, please contact Pauline Horsey on 793891 or email [pmhorsey@talktalk.net](mailto:pmhorsey@talktalk.net)

## **For your Prayers**

St Mary's Berrow PCC Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January. Please pray for those involved.



## **Epiphany**

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.

### **The Baptism of Christ -The First Sunday of Epiphany**

Heavenly Father at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**A prayer during the vacancy:** God our Father, thank you for the appointment of Rev Robyn Golden-Hann as our new Priest in Charge. With your heavenly wisdom, please prepare Robyn that she will be a wise and gentle shepherd, who is ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead by example, in loving obedience to your Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. You love us and have called us to be your body in this place and as we wait for the arrival of our new Priest in Charge we pray that your Holy Spirit will fill us with vision, energy and faithfulness in prayer that we do as you desire and bring new life to our community. Amen.

### **A Prayer to start the day**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; Let us pray with one heart and mind. As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; Now and for ever. Amen.

**A Prayer to end the day:** Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world, that you, with steadfast love, would keep Your watch around us while we sleep. Amen.

### **Daily Prayers for week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> January**

**11th** • We pray today for all those who are grieving the loss of someone who has died. For those who tend and care for them like our local funeral directors and those who look after the churchyards and cemeteries here so that they can be places of comfort. For those who minister to them and provide pastoral care in the times that follow bereavement, including our team of Lay Pastoral Assistants.

- For the residents of Ash Tree Road, Ash Tree Place, Ash Tree Close and Ash Tree Crescent in Burnham-on-Sea.

**12th** • We pray today for those who enjoy exercise here whether on foot, on bikes, at the gyms or swimming pools. We pray that each one of us will take care of ourselves physically, and do all that we can do to stay safe as we exercise.

- For the residents of Warren Road in Brean.

**13th** • We pray today for those who work at Berrow Medical Centre, and for all those who will use their services. For protection from illness for the staff there, and give thanks for all that they do to serve the local and wider community.

- For the residents of Brent Road and Martins Close in Berrow.

**14th** • We continue to pray today for our medical services locally. For our NHS workers as they continue to put themselves at risk for the care of others. For police officers, PCSOs, and all other staff who work with and support them. For fire fighters and their safety.

- For the residents of Rector's Close and Wesley Close in Brean.

**15th** • For safety and for fun for all those who use the green, the play area, and the footpath by the pond in Berrow.

• For the residents of Fairway Close and Berrow Green in Berrow.

**16th** • For all those who provide essential services to our local area. For those who collect our rubbish and recycling, for those who support our water supplies and maintain our roads, for those who provide us with telephone and internet services. We pray that all of these will be stable and reliable for all who rely upon them.

• For the residents of Pinewood Way and Huett Close in Brean.

**17th** • For protection for our church buildings both here and further afield. For many they have been beacons of hope and community, and we pray they can continue to be this for people. We pray also for those who have found faith during these uncertain times.

• For the residents of Sandhills Drive and Roseneath Avenue in Berrow.