



**WALBURY BEACON
BENEFICE**

The Parishes of Kintbury with Avington and Hamstead Marshall, Inkpen, West Woodhay and Combe



Sunday 14th December 2025

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICES

8:30am Inkpen HC - BCP

9:45am Kintbury HC - CW

11:15am West Woodhay Carols

4:00pm Kintbury Christingle

READINGS

Isaiah 35.1-10

James 5.7-10

Matthew 11.2-11

COLLECT

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:
give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.



Welcome! Visitor or local resident,
we hope that you will find something in our worship today
to inspire, comfort or stimulate you.
Please feel free to introduce yourself to the clergy
after the service.
They would love to meet you.

SERVICES & MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday 15th December
3:00pm Home Communion
Kintbury

Thursday 18th December
10:30am Friendship Café
St Mary's Room

Friday 19th December
6:00pm Carols in the pub
Crown and Garter Inkpen.
A few more singers would be welcome,
so if interested please contact
Christopher Sears -
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Services next Sunday 21st December

8:00am Kintbury Holy Communion – BCP
3:00pm Combe Carols
6:00pm Kintbury Carols
6:30pm Inkpen Carols

UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Eve

4:30pm Crib service
11:30pm Midnight Communion
St Mary's Kintbury

Christmas Day

8:00am Holy Communion BCP
Avington Church
9:45am Holy Communion
St Mary Kintbury
& St Michael' Inkpen
11:15am Holy Communion
St. Swithun's Combe
& St Laurences' West Woodhay

Receiving Communion Safely

If you are anxious about catching or passing on Covid or any other infection, please be reassured that receiving the bread alone is a full Communion.

We kindly ask that you do not dip your wafer into the chalice, as this increases the risk of spreading infection from hands.

Pop-in Café

18th December
(1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month)
From 10:30am to 12 noon
Inkpen Playing Field Pavilion
Tea/Coffee, delicious cakes
and friendship

St Mary's Café

on Thursday mornings
from 10:30am – 12:00noon
in St. Mary's Room
(attached to Kintbury Church)

Adult Alpha Taster

6th January 2026
Coronation Hall
7:00pm - 9:30pm



SPECIAL EVENTS AHEAD

Adult Alpha Taster
6th January 2026 7:00pm
Coronation Hall
Kintbury
All welcome!
Cooked meal provided

BANNS READINGS



No Banns to be read this week

PRAYERS



We pray for:

...for peace in places of conflict, trusting in small acts of kindness that rebuild hope.

...that communities find strength and creativity amid economic pressures and rising costs.

...for people to work together for climate healing and celebrate signs of environmental recovery.

...that as neighbours we will support one another through hardship, revealing generosity that outshines anxiety.

...that nations and communities will choose cooperation over division, seeking the common good with renewed courage.

Benefice Contacts for all questions, general queries & services

[Home - Walbury Beacon Benefice](http://www.walburybeaconbenefice.org.uk)

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All readings can be found on the website or in the pew Bibles in Kintbury.

If you would like to bring your own Bible, you are most welcome.