

## This Week at St Mary's Church Apsley & Nash Mills

Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
10am - 12.00 Working Party	9.30am Buzzy Bees	9.00 - 9.30am Morning Prayer  9.30am Mid-week Communion Service  8pm Home Study Group
Friday	Saturday	Next Sunday
10.00 - 12.00 Working Party	10.00 - 12.00 Community Café	8 <sup>th</sup> February 9.30am Parish Eucharist

Please send any input for next week to Sue in the Benefice office  
[office@langelei.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:office@langelei.onmicrosoft.com) by noon on Wednesday and copy it to  
[StMarysApsleyEnd@gmail.com](mailto:StMarysApsleyEnd@gmail.com)

### St Mary's Rota - Who's doing what when

	1 <sup>st</sup> February	8 <sup>th</sup> February
	9.30 All In Family Service	9.30 Parish Eucharist
<b>Music</b>	Mark Terry	Mark Terry
<b>Warden</b>	Sylvia Low	Sue Jakeman
<b>Sides duty</b>	Katharine Harper	Peter Bladon
<b>Welcomer</b>	Dan Shirley	Pauline Buck
<b>OT &amp; NT Reader</b>	Fiona Shirley	Dan Shirley
<b>Gospel Reader</b>	Sylvia Low	Carole Camp
<b>Prayers/ Intercessions</b>	Sue Jakeman	Ian Dixon
<b>Offertory</b>	Pauline Buck Melanie Henley	Melanie Henley Ann Wiggins
<b>Chalice/ 1<sup>st</sup> Counter</b>	Sue Jakeman	Jim Aylott
<b>2nd Counter</b>	Rogers Wiggs	Peter Bladon
<b>Refreshments</b>	Melanie Henley Ralph Henley	Jeanie Agg David Agg
<b>Sunday School</b>		Lilian Hepwood

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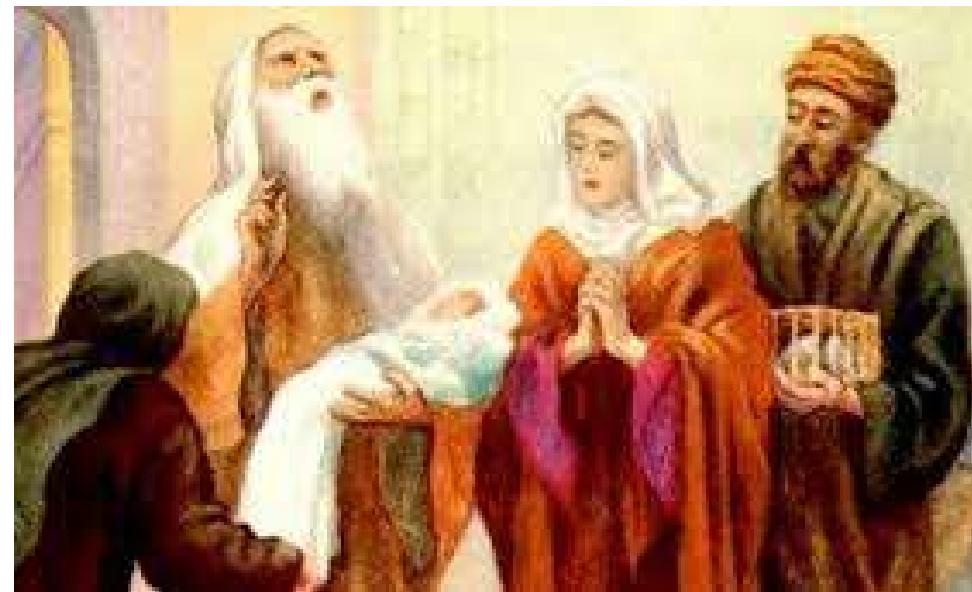
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# St Mary's Church

## News Sheet

Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026

Candlemas



St Mary's is a church for everyone young and old, and everyone in between. We are delighted to welcome you today. Whether you are a regular worshipper or joining us for the first time, you are very welcome at our 9.30am All In Family Service. During the service there will be a children group, and children will be invited to go out at the appropriate time. If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask someone sitting nearby they will be very pleased to help. After the service, do stay for refreshments and a chat in the Refectory at the back of the church.

## A reading from the Book of the Prophet Malachi 3.1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgment; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

## A reading from the Letter to Hebrews 2.14-end

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

# NOTICE

### Sponsorship for our organists

Today our organist is Mark Terry who is sponsored by an anonymous doner. If you enjoy having the organ accompany our worship, you can be a sponsor. Mark a Birthday, Anniversary or a notable event or just because. Please contact a churchwarden – Sue Jakeman or Sylvia Low for more information

### Welcome Boxes for Nascent House

Currently we are in need of notecards, blank greeting cards, notepads, notebooks, wash-bags (or similar small bags for toiletries). Please leave in box at back of church or give to Katharine or Viv. Many thanks.

### Donate to St Mary's

Please support St Mary's by using this QR code to donate. Thank you.



### Dates for your diary

Sun 15th Feb	3pm Messy Church
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	5.30pm Pancakes in the Refectory
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8pm Ash Weds Service
Sat 7th March	10am-4pm Team Quiet Day at London Colney
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothering Sunday
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	10.30 Team Service at St Benedict's 3pm Messy Church

## Morning services around the team

All are welcome to mid-week Morning Prayer and Holy Communion services

Tuesdays	St Benedict's – 9am Prayer Meeting
Wednesdays	Holy Trinity - 9am MP, 10am HC
Thursdays	St Mary's – 9am MP, 9.30am HC
Fridays	All Saints - 9am MP, 10am HC