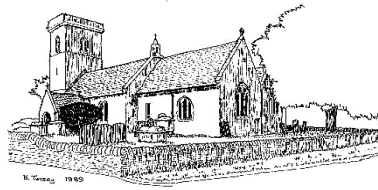


The Parish of Brize Norton  
St Britius Church  
News Sheet - December 2025



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[www.bncbb.org.uk](http://www.bncbb.org.uk) (for all events at St Britius, St John's and St Mary's)

**Services:**

**Wednesday 3 December - 7:00pm** Holy Communion

**Sunday 7 December – Second Sunday of Advent**

**9:15am** Holy Communion. *Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10, Matthew 3:1-12.*

**Wednesday 10 December - 7:00pm** Holy Communion

**Sunday 14 December – Third Sunday of Advent**

**9:15am** Holy Communion. *Readings: Isaiah 35:1-10, Matthew 11:2-11.*

**Wednesday 17 December: 7.00pm** 'Longest Night' service

This service recognises that Christmas isn't always merry and bright for all.



**Sunday 21 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**9.15am** Holy Communion. *Readings: Isaiah 7:10-16, Matthew 1:18-end*  
**6:00pm: Candle-lit Carol Service:** Telling the Nativity story with readings and carols for the whole family. *See overleaf for more details.*



**Wednesday 24 December – Christmas Eve**

**8.00pm: Christmas Eve Mass.** *Readings: Micah 6:6-8, John 1:1-14.*



**Thursday 25 December – Christmas Day** - There is **no service** at St Britius. You are warmly invited to St John's at **10.00am**.



**Sunday 28 December - First Sunday of Christmas**

**9:15am** Holy Communion. *Readings: Jeremiah 31:15-17, Matthew 2:13-18.*

**Wednesday 31 December** – No service

**Sunday 4 January - Second Sunday of Christmas**

**9:15am** Holy Communion. *Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6, Matthew 2:1-12*

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**Anniversaries this month:** Dave Bignell, Roy Clarke, Christopher Heffer, Barbara Stanton, Eric Barnard, Clarence Betts, Mary Phipps, David Griffiths, Josephine Black, Tony Anderson, Marianne Bell, Mabel Faulkner, Mike Wallace, Geraldine Parkway, Daphne Hounslow, John Moss, David Mc Crudden, Shaun Geraghty, Frederick Smith.



**Happy Birthday** to Rev. Barry on 14<sup>th</sup> and Carolyn on 15<sup>th</sup> December.



**Prayers:** This month please pray especially for Joy Douglas, Bette Holmes and her family, also for Sandy and Mary Bain, Linden Eley and son Timothy Burley, Rev James, Rev Ian and Carol Howard. If you would like us to pray for anything in our service, please use our new prayer board on the table.



**Pilgrim Lunch:** Pilgrim Lunch is taking a break this month.



**Christmas Flowers:** Donations towards the cost of Christmas flowers would be welcomed by Mary. Please let her know if contributions are in memory of loved ones.



**Mince pies:** If you can help by making some mince pies for the Carol Service on Sunday 21 December please sign up on the sheet. Please bring them to Church in the morning or let Mary have them by 3pm on the day, so that they can be warmed in the Aga.



**Quiz:** Jacquie has a quiz for us, for a suggested donation of £3-£5. Give her back your completed quiz after Christmas for the chance of a small prize.



**Brize Norton Christmas Fair: Saturday 6 December 12.00-4.00pm.** Come along to the Elder Bank Hall and Humble Bumble Café, get in the Christmas spirit and buy some Christmas presents from the craft stalls, including our own.



**Posada Box:** If you would like to host our little knitted Holy Family for a night or two and haven't signed up yet, please see Rossie. Posada is also a chance to talk and discuss with others as it is passed around.



**Carol Singing: Monday 8 December,** This has been cancelled for this year.



**Candle-lit Carol Service: Sunday 21 December- 6.00pm** Our carol service has readings brought to us by people from the Nativity story, giving their own take on the events of that time. 'Saxophony' will be leading us in our carol singing and there will be refreshments and mince pies after the service. We invite children to come dressed as shepherds, angels, wise men and people of Bethlehem.



**Christmas Eve Service:** This is a **Christmas Eve Holy Communion at 8.00pm**



**Burns Night Supper: Saturday 24 January 6.30pm for 7.00pm, at St John's**



**Candlemas Tea: Saturday 7 February 4.00pm** at the Humble Bumble Café.

See Rossie to book your place. There will be a raffle; any prizes would be welcomed.