



Windmill United Benefice

**St Bartholomew, Burstow;
St Mary the Virgin, Horne;
St John the Baptist, Outwood**

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After 7 January, all enquiries to the benefice should be emailed to windmillchurches3@gmail.com

Church Wardens:

Burstow: Kay Hammond (07808 322440) and Ann Sheppard (01342 842580)

Horne: Sue Wates (01342 843721) and Andrew Goudie (01342 843550)

Outwood: Nick Case-Green (01342 842373) and Rosie Yeldham (01342 844642)

24 and 25 December – Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

31 December – New Year's Eve

7 January– Epiphany

The link to this week's online service is: <https://www.windmillchurches.co.uk/christmas-day-2023/>

The next online service will be on 14 January 2024 and will be posted on the website: www.windmillchurches.co.uk, as will the next notice sheet

In-church services this Sunday, Christmas Eve, 24 December

9.30am Holy Communion at **Burstow**

10.00am Crib Service at **Horne**

11.00am Holy Communion at **Outwood**

4.00pm Crib Service at **Outwood**

5.30pm Crib Service at **Burstow**

11.30pm Midnight Mass at **Horne**

In-church services on Christmas Day, 25 December

9.30am Christmas Communion at **Burstow**

10.00am Family Service with carols at **Horne**

11.00am Christmas Communion at **Outwood**

In-church services on New Year's Eve, 31 December

10.00am A joint benefice service of Holy Communion at **Smallfield Church Hall**

In-church services for Epiphany, 7 January

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at **Horne**

10.00am A joint benefice service and Nicholas's last service in the benefice at Horne, followed by refreshments in the school opposite the church

Brian Morrall

Brian Morrall, a member of the congregation and sidesperson at St Mary, Horne, died peacefully on Wednesday evening. Please remember Heather in your prayers at this time.

Praying for the Benefice

During the interregnum, there will be monthly times of prayer for the benefice on a Monday evening and a Wednesday afternoon in the chapel in Smallfield Church Hall. The first of these will take place on Monday 8 January at 7pm. All are welcome to come along.

Heritage Lottery Fund grant

We are very pleased to have heard that Burstow Church has been awarded a Heritage Lottery Fund grant for the replacement of the shingles (wooden tiles) on the spire. Most of the cost of the work will be met by this grant but we shall also need to do some fund raising ourselves so look out for details in the future.

It's panto time (oh yes, it is)

Bring a ray of light and good cheer to your post-Christmas blues and come along to be transfixed by, **Aladdin**, a traditional family pantomime for all ages. Sit back and be prepared to cheer for heroes, Aladdin and Princess Jasmine, and boo the wicked wizard, Abanazar the Abhorrent – played to type by our very own Steve Bishop – as you are transported to the delights of Arabia! The performances are at 7.30pm on **24/25/26 & 27 January** (with a 3pm matinée performance on the 27th) at the Purley United Reformed Church, Brighton Road, Purley (plenty of parking behind the adjacent The Pear Tree pub). Tickets are now on sale via the <http://www.Pantoloons.com> website.

Online giving: <http://www.windmillchurches.co.uk/online-giving/>

Previous online services: <https://www.windmillchurches.co.uk/previous-online-services.>

Items for the next notice sheet should be sent to Peter Nye (ppn@blueyonder.co.uk) by 6pm on Thursday 11 January.