

**Royal Wootton Bassett Methodist Church** 

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Lectionary

Isaiah 2: 1-5 Psalm 122

Romans 13: 11-14

Matthew 24: 36-44

**Prayer Focus** 

Brynards Hill in RWB Yorkshire West District MHA Fitzwarren House & Court in our Circuit

Sri Lanka Methodist Church.

Please pray for the week's activities and those taking part:

Monday 1 December	7.30pm	Bible Study - Revelation Chapter 17 - at Sally's home
Tuesday 2 December	10.00am	Tuesday Morning Pop-In & Light Lunch
Wednesday 3 December	2.15pm	Friendship Group - Carols and Mince Pies
Friday 5 December	10.00am	Puddleducks
Saturday 6 December	10.00am	Vibrato String Quartet Coffee Morning
	2.00pm	Christmas Flower Workshop & Decorating Tree
Sunday 7 December		2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent
	10.30am	Worship Service, led by Rachel Dowling
	4.00pm	Messy Nativity - see below

## **Interactive Nativity 7 December from 4pm**

We are just a week away from sharing the account of God's greatest gift to us. Through activities, a Pop-Up Nativity and hospitality we'll offer some insight into the amazing events of that first Christmas. Thank you to all of you who have volunteered your help. There are just a few outstanding gaps to fill. Can you help? If so please sign up on the 'Nativity 2025' sheet in Hillside Hall. We still need - welcomers (2), manning register (2), and befrienders - helping guests know about the layout of the church and the format of the afternoon (2). For the creativity time - Nativity themed biscuits for decorating, we can supply star or angel cutters (see Judith). For hospitality time - setting up the buffet (3), several items for the buffet (sign up on 'Food for Christmas Nativity Buffet' sheet in Hillside Hall). Thank you. Please speak to me if you have questions. *Jane* 

## **Nativity for everyone**

We especially welcome families to our Nativity but it is for All Ages and everyone is welcome. We begin around **4pm** with activities in Hillside Hall where there'll be crafts to make - linked with the characters featured in the Nativity story. Between **4.35pm/4.45pm** we'll gather in the sanctuary for our Pop-Up Nativity. We aim for congregation involvement using screen prompts. 'Angels', 'shepherds' etc will be invited to join in at specific points. The Pop-Up Nativity requires minimal rehearsing. We are using the *Bible Society* resource 'The Amazing Advent-ure'. There will be a few Bible readings and a mixture of traditional and contemporary carols. To finish, we return to Hillside Hall to share in refreshments. Please feel free to come along to all or part of our Nativity and share the joy. *Jane* 

The funeral service for Francis Ball will be held on Monday 8 December at 1.30pm at RWBMC, followed by a burial at 3.00pm at RWB cemetery, with refreshments in Hillside Hall. Rev. Ward Jones will be conducting the service. Stewards

Tuesday Pop-In Christmas 2025 - we are having our Christmas Party on 9 December 10.00am -1.30pm.

Longleaze Pre-School are coming to entertain us with their beautiful singing at 10.30am, so come early to reserve your seat. A buffet lunch will be served at midday followed by mince pies, with a prize for the best jumper or hat.

**Pop-In** will be open on **23 and 30 December 10.00am - 12.30pm** for coffee & mince pies/cake. Lunches will restart on **Tuesday 6 January 2026**. Bev

**Walking Group** - our last walking date for this year is **10 December**, and we start walking again in 2026 on **14 January**. *Gillian* 

If you have an item, please contact Mary on notices@rwbmc.co.uk by the preceding Tuesday evening