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Lectionary

Isaiah 11:1-10
Romans 15:4-13

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
Matthew 3:1-12

Prayer Focus

The Burlongs in RWB
Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury District

Cricklade United Church in our Circuit
Uniting Church in Sweden

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

Sunday 7 December (today)	4.00pm	Messy Church Nativity Service - see below
Monday 8 December	7.30pm	Circuit Meeting
Tuesday 9 December	10.00am	Tuesday Morning Pop-In Christmas Party
Wednesday 10 December	9.30am	Walking Group
	7.30pm	Prayer with a Purpose
Friday 12 December	10.00am	Puddleducks
Sunday 14 December		3rd Sunday in Advent
	10.30am	Worship Service, led by Pam Mullin

Nativity for everyone - today

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*

We are delighted to announce that Rev. Tony Brookes has accepted the invitation to serve as the Superintendent Minister of the Upper Thames Circuit from 1 September 2026. He will later become the Superintendent of the **Great Western Circuit** (North Wiltshire and Upper Thames Circuits) from **1 September 2027**. We give thanks to God for guiding this process and the gifts and calling that Tony brings to our Circuit.

Rev. Shirlyn Toppin has accepted the invitation to become the **Superintendent of Leicester Trinity Circuit in the Northampton District from 1 September 2026**. *Stewards*

Carols by Candlelight - 21 December at 6.00pm. After this service we will be serving drinks with mince pies. If you can donate some mince pies that would be great. Please leave them in the kitchen, clearly marked that they are for **21 December**. Many thanks. *Stewards*

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

The Filling Station (feeding the hungry on the streets) - thank you to everyone who volunteered and contributed financially or with extra treats for **Thursday 20 November**. Your support provided much needed hot food and goodies on a cold night, which was greatly appreciated by all attendees. Please continue to remember our friends in your prayers. Many thanks. *Lois*

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

