



St Mary's
WEST HORSLEY

Christmas 2023

**PEACE, JOY,
AND LOVE**

With our best wishes for a very Happy Christmas



What's on at St Mary's?

Sundays

Traditional Morning Prayer/Communion Service
9am at St Mary's Church

Contemporary Service with children's groups for 0-15 years
10.45am at East Horsley Village Hall

Reclaim Youth Group for school years 6-13
5-6.30pm at The Wheelhouse, East Lane

Tuesdays

Said Communion Service (with refreshments)
11-11.30am at St Mary's Church

Thursdays

Noah's Ark Toddler Group
10-11.30am at The Wheelhouse, East Lane

Fridays

The Wheelhouse Cafe
Free coffee, cake and conversation
10.30am-12noon at The Wheelhouse, East Lane

We are your vibrant Anglican parish church in this village of West Horsley, seeking to follow Jesus Christ, shape our lives whole-heartedly around Him and be a blessing to you, our local community.

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us what God was like; to defeat the devil (yes, I still believe, as Jesus did, that he's real); that people might have real life, life in its fullness; to seek and save the lost.

Christmas may have become colonised by commercialism and the desire to make money, but the echo-traces of what it's all about is still there. In the giving and receiving of gifts, we are reminding ourselves of the supreme, ultimate gift to humanity, the birth of Jesus Christ.

You are warmly invited to join us at our services over the coming weeks, as we once again seek to remind ourselves of what - or who - Christmas is all about.

The gift has been given; what's stopping you from receiving Him?

Happy Christmas!

As ever, Phil Herrington
Rector, St Mary's West Horsley



This Christmas, we are delivering a slimline handout to invite you to all our Christmas Services – we hope to return to our usual magazine format in 2024

A few years ago, we were heading down to the west country for a week's holiday and stopped off at a National Trust house that served good coffee, had some short walks to stretch our legs and a 'Maize Maze' that we thought our children would enjoy. They had fun exploring the maze until they began to feel lost and didn't know which way to go. At that point they shouted out for some help, and we guided them to the centre of the maze and then out again.

There are many people who feel lost, wondering what the purpose of life is, what their place is in the world, wondering whether there is a God, and if there is, do they care? There are others who are desperate not to engage in big questions. There is a sense that the world has lost its way, as nation rises up against nation, as the geopolitical tectonic plates shift again. It is part of the human condition to feel lost, and we often turn to all sorts of 'guides' to try and help us find our way to where we're meant to go.

When Jesus was on earth, he shared on a number of occasions why he came: to show

We also run events and courses throughout the year, including Ladies and Men's Events and socials for Children & Youth.
Keep an eye out for up-coming events on our website and social media.



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**We invite you to celebrate
Christmas with us**

All of our Christmas Services will be held at **St Mary's Church, Epsom Road KT24 6AP**
(Free car parking available to the rear of the church)

Carols by Candlelight

Sunday 10th December at 7pm

Family Carol Service

Sunday 17th December at 10am

Christingle Service

Children can come dressed as a Nativity Character

Christmas Eve at 3pm

Midnight Mass

Christmas Eve at 11.15pm

Family Christmas Celebration

Christmas Day at 10.30am

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