

PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY, PULBOROUGH



## THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2026  
**10.30am 'ALL ARE WELCOME'  
CELEBRATION**

*We are very grateful that the service leaflets today have been sponsored.*

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January – “Frances and Tony Hancock  
are celebrating their Ruby wedding anniversary –  
married here 40 years ago today.”**

# WELCOME TO OUR EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

Celebrant: Fr. Paul

ALM's: Austen Hindman, Hannah Holloway and Susie Hindman

Organists: Tony Hancock and Oliver Hancock

Descant: Sam Hancock

Ministers of Communion: Tony Holloway and Ann Kaiser

## Prayer Doves.

There are prayer doves in the pews and at the back of the church. If you would like our prayer group to pray for a person or a situation, please write (or draw) on the back of the dove and either put it in the basket during the **offertory hymn or place it in the box at the back of the church.**

*If you feel able to make a donation during the offertory hymn and you are a UK taxpayer, please use and complete the details on the Gift Aid white envelope you will find in your service leaflet. We also have **contactless facilities** available by the organ at the back of the church. Thank you.*



***In the event of a fire or emergency in the Church, the exits available are: the West Door, the North Door, the South Door in the Chancel and the door through the Vestry. Please leave the building by an exit nearest to you.***



We serve refreshments after the service.  
Do please join us

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*Opening music: "Lobe Den Herren" by Jacques Berthier*

*Please stand when the bell is rung*

*During our opening hymn, the figures of the Wise Men are placed in the Epiphany Crib*

The Entrance Hymn: NEH 47  
William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

- 1 As with gladness men of old  
did the guiding star behold,  
as with joy they hailed its light,  
leading onward, beaming bright;  
so, most gracious God may we  
evermore be led to thee.
  
- 2 As with joyful steps they sped,  
to that lowly manger-bed,  
there to bend the knee before  
him whom heaven and earth adore;  
so may we with willing feet  
ever seek thy mercy-seat.
  
- 3 As they offered gifts most rare  
at that manger rude and bare,  
so may we with holy joy,  
pure and free from sin's alloy,  
all our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to thee, our heavenly King.
  
- 4 Holy Jesu, every day  
keep us in the narrow way,  
and, when earthly things are past,  
bring our ransomed souls at last  
where they need no star to guide,  
where no clouds thy glory hide.



5      **In the heavenly country bright  
need they no created light;  
thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,  
thou its Sun which goes not down;  
there for ever may we sing  
alleluyas to our King.**

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe.  
**From the rising of the sun to its setting  
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

The Lord of glory be with you.  
**The Lord bless you.**

*Fr. Paul welcomes the congregation and introduces the theme of  
the service*

**Penitence**

*ALM:*

The grace of God has dawned upon the world  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.  
Let us confess our sins.

God be gracious to us and bless us,  
and make your face shine upon us:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth,  
your saving power among the nations:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,  
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*Fr. Paul:*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon us,  
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,  
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,  
and keep us in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Peruvian Gloria**  
**Words and music: traditional Peruvian.**  
**Collected and arranged by John Ballantine (b. 1945).**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.  
**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.**  
To him be glory for ever.  
**To him be glory for ever.**  
Alleluia, amen.  
**Alleluia, amen.** Alleluia, amen. **Alleluia, amen.**

Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father  
**Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father**  
To him be glory for ever.  
**To him be glory for ever.**  
Alleluia, amen.  
**Alleluia, amen.** Alleluia, amen. **Alleluia, amen.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit  
**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit**  
To him be glory for ever.  
**To him be glory for ever.**  
Alleluia, amen.  
**Alleluia, amen.** Alleluia, amen. **Alleluia, amen.**

## The Collect for the Day

O God,  
who by the leading of a star  
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:  
mercifully grant that we,  
who know you now by faith,  
may at last behold your glory face to face;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

***Please sit***

## The Reading: Isaiah 60. 1-6

*A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah*

Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.  
For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the Lord will arise upon you,  
and his glory will appear over you.  
Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around;  
they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from far away,  
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.  
Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

*Please stand*

**The Gradual Hymn: NEH 49 (2<sup>nd</sup> Tune)**  
**Reginald Heber (1783-1826)**

- 1 **Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.**
- 2 **Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining;  
low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;  
angels adore him in slumber reclining,  
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.**
- 3 **Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,  
Odours of Edom, and offerings divine,  
gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,  
myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?**
- 4 **Vainly we offer each ample oblation,  
vainly with gifts would his favour secure:  
richer by far is the heart's adoration,  
dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.**

5      **Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.**

**The Gospel Reading: Mathew 2. 1-12,**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold,

frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you O Christ.**

**Please sit**

**The Homily with the Symbolic Offering of Gifts**  
*The traditional gifts are now symbolically offered at the crib*

*Blessed are you, Lord our God,  
We thank you for the gifts of the wise men:  
Gold for a King, born in a manger.  
We thank you for the gifts you have given us:  
We will use them to serve you.  
Blessed be God for ever.*

*Blessed are you, Lord our God.  
We thank you for the gifts of the wise men:  
Frankincense for our God, born in a manger.  
We thank you for the gifts you give us:  
We will use them to worship you.  
Blessed be God for ever.*

*Blessed are you, Lord our God,  
We thank you for the gifts of the wise men:  
Myrrh for your son, whose death has saved us all.  
We thank you for the gifts you give us:  
We will use them to show the world your love.  
Blessed be God for ever.*

**Please stand**



**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came  
down from heaven, was incarnate from  
the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the  
Scriptures; he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the  
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is  
worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of  
sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

***Please kneel or sit***

**The Intercessions - the Prayers of the Church**  
*Chant: O&N 944*

**The Lord is my light  
my light and salvation  
in God I trust,  
in God I trust**

*Response at the end of each prayer:*

**Lord in your mercy  
Hear our prayer**

*(at the end is said)*

**Merciful Father,  
accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour  
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

***Please stand***

**The Peace**

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there shall be no end.

cf Isaiah 9,6,7

**The peace of the Lord be always with you  
and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



The Offertory Hymn: NEH 36

Traditional

- 1 The first Nowell the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay:  
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep:  
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
born is the King of Israel.*
- 2 They lookèd up and saw a star,  
shining in the east, beyond them far,  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night: *Chorus*
- 3 And by the light of that same star,  
Three Wise Men came from country far;  
to seek for a king was their intent,  
and to follow the star wheresoever it went: *Chorus*
- 4 This star drew nigh to the north-west,  
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
and there it did both stop and stay  
right over the place where Jesus lay: *Chorus*
- 5 Then entered in those Wise Men Three,  
full reverently upon their knee,  
and offered there in his presence  
their gold and myrrh and frankincense: *Chorus*
- 6 Then let us all with one accord  
sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
that hath made heaven and earth of naught,  
and with his blood mankind hath brought. *Chorus*

## Prayer over the gifts

Lord, accept your people's gifts,  
not gold, frankincense or myrrh,  
but hearts and voices raised in praise of Jesus Christ,  
our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Fr Paul continues to pray the Eucharistic Prayer until we sing:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might:  
heaven and earth, heaven and earth,  
are full of your glory, your pow'r and might:  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.**

**Blessed, blessed is he who comes, blessed, blessed is he who comes;  
Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,

send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

Drink this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,

in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice

made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,

we proclaim his death and resurrection

until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day

when your kingdom comes

and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on Martin our bishop, Ruth and Will his

suffragans and on all your people,

gather us in your loving arms

and bring us with Our Lady, St Joseph, St. Richard. St. Wilfrid and  
all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

***Please kneel or sit.***

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of Bread**

We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.  
**God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us;**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us;**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## The Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word,  
and I shall be healed.**

*Receiving consecrated wine directly from the chalice is offered for those who feel comfortable to do this. Please do not dip the consecrated wafer into the chalice.*

*Please wait to be directed to communion.*

*Music during Communion to include - When a star is shining*

### **Post-Communion Hymn: NEH 388 (1<sup>st</sup> Tune) Isaac Watts (1674-1748)**

- 1     **Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does his successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.**
  
- 2     **People and realms of every tongue  
Dwell on his love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on his name.**
  
- 3     **Blessings abound where'er he reigns;  
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;  
The weary find eternal rest,  
And all the sons of want are blest.**

4 Let every creature rise and bring  
Peculiar honours to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the long Amen.

### **The Prayer after Communion**

Lord God,  
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:  
may we who with the Wise Men have been drawn by your light  
discern the glory of your presence in your Son,  
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**We thank you, Lord,  
that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples.**

**Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**



**An Act of Thanksgiving for the marriage of Frances and Tony  
Hancock on the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their wedding**

*Notices are now given out*

## **The traditional blessing of chalk at Epiphany.**

*Fr. Paul blesses the chalk, which is then taken to the back and given to people as they leave.*

***Please stand***

### **The Blessing**

The Lord be with you.  
**and also with you.**

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory  
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;  
and the blessing ...

### **The Dismissal**

We have seen his glory,  
the glory revealed to all the nations.  
Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **The Recessional Hymn: NEH 336**

**Francis Pott (1832-1909)**

*This hymn has been specially chosen by Frances and Tony to mark  
their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary*

- 1      **Angel voices ever singing  
round thy throne of light,  
angel-harps for ever ringing,  
rest not day nor night;  
thousands only live to bless thee  
and confess thee  
Lord of might.**

2    **Thou who art beyond the farthest  
mortal eye can scan,  
can it be that thou regardest  
songs of sinful man?  
can we know that thou art near us,  
and wilt hear us?  
yes we can.**

3    **For we know that thou rejoicest  
o'er each work of thine;  
thou didst ears and hands and voices  
for thy praise design;  
craftsman's art and music's measure  
for thy pleasure  
all combine.**

4    **In thy house, great God, we offer  
of thine own to thee;  
and for thine acceptance proffer  
all unworthily  
hearts and minds and hands and voices  
in our choicest  
psalmody.**

5    **Honour, glory, might, and merit  
thine shall ever be,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
blessed Trinity.  
Of the best that thou hast given  
earth and heaven  
render thee.**

*Concluding music: "Grand Choeur in A"  
by Th. Salome.*

**May Christ Bless this Home.**

As an act of witness this Epiphany, please write on the door of your house: 20+C+M+B+26, and say this prayer:

**Lord Jesus Christ,**

**The wise men brought gifts to praise you; may everyone living here use their talents and abilities to your greater glory throughout 2026.**

**May all who come to our home meet Christ here and may we see Christ and serve Christ through everyone who visits.**

**Amen.**

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**For your prayers this coming week**

**We pray for Pope Leo XIV and his ministry to the world-wide church.**

**We pray for the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally who is the Archbishop Elect of Canterbury**

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer this Sunday we pray for:**

**The Church of the Province of Central Africa**

**In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for:**

**Members of the Diocesan Board of Education, and the staff of the School department, Lesley Hurst, Ruth Cumming, Andrew Jervis, Nick Sharp, Lynn Goreham, Stephen Dennis, Alex Wingham, Michelle Perry, Suzanne Dillingham, Rachel Bell, Brian Kilkelly, Luci Fievet, Heather Broadbent**

**We also pray for the Venerable Dr. Tom Carpenter, our Archdeacon**

**We pray for the work of SPLASH in their work with young people across the Deanery.**

**We pray for our nation and government:**  
For King Charles and his family. We pray for our Government and all members of Parliament especially Andrew Griffith our own MP

**We continue to pray for all those caught up in the conflicts in the Middle East, Ukraine and other troubled parts of the world.**  
We pray for all migrants and refugees and all who have been driven from their homes. We pray for all world leaders, diplomats and ambassadors and all working for the common good.

**We pray for the work of Education West Africa, the people of Sierra Leone and the work of the Church there remembering especially the Dioceses of Freetown and Bo.**

**We continue to pray for the work of FSW across the Diocese.**  
**We pray for our local Care Homes:** Hillside Lodge, The Anchorage, Petworth Cottage Nursing Home, Rotherlea and Barlavington Manor

**Those who are now in need of healing:**

Patrick Carr, Fr Barry Smart, Toni Hayes, Sarah and James Ross, Carole Brooke, Richard Cromwell, Jim Crowley, Charlie Goldsmith, Ian Cockburn, Frances Usher-Smith and Matt

**Those who are in need of on-going prayer:**

Peter Johnston, Helen Leeke, Rachel Webbe, Elizabeth Yates, James McDonagh, Victoria and Tim

**Pray to rest in peace:** Vivienne Rathband, Lesley Waldron and Wendy Hallam, Tim Johnston

**Anniversary of death:**

Olive Jones, Laura Richardson, Jill Scrase, Ray Spiers, Stuart Brown, Jeanie Hobbs, Ernest Patterson, John Dunphy, Skye-Maria Nichols

**Village Prayers:** Together with the other churches in the village we pray for all who live and work Stopham Road, Station Road Swan Corner, Arun Prospect, Riverside Court/The Willows, Waters Edge, Lyntons, Cobbets Mews, Bartram Close, Church Hill Church Place and Old Rectory Lane

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## CHRISTMAS CHARITIES

Following the Christingle Service on Advent Sunday, Crib Service on Christmas Eve, Midnight Mass and Christmas Day we are able to say that:

**£74.00** was donated from Christingle the Children's Society  
**£187.00** for **Save The Children Fund** from the Crib Service and  
**£418.00** for Turning Tides Charity for Homeless in Worthing.  
Thank you for your support.

## Church and Liturgical Diary

### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> - Feria**

10am – 12noon The HUB meet at Pulborough Library

7pm St Mary's Book Club meet The Hermitage, Church Place,  
(new members always welcome)

7.30pm Tower Bell ringing

### **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Feria**

*(St Mary's School returns)*

9.30am Morning Prayer

10.30am Pulborough Clergy meet

2pm Pulborough Community Volunteers Forum

### **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>: Feria**

9.45am Morning Prayer

### **10.15 am The Holy Eucharist**

2.30pm The Pulborough Society Meeting at Pulborough Village Hall:  
Guest speaker Chris Williams, former prison governor.

6.30pm St Mary's Bin Operatives AGM

7pm Meeting Matthew discussion group at 86 Glebelands.

All welcome

### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>: Feria**

9.30am Morning Prayer

7pm Standing Committee meet at 1The Mews

### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup>: Feria**

### **12noon The Holy Eucharist**

### **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>: Feria**

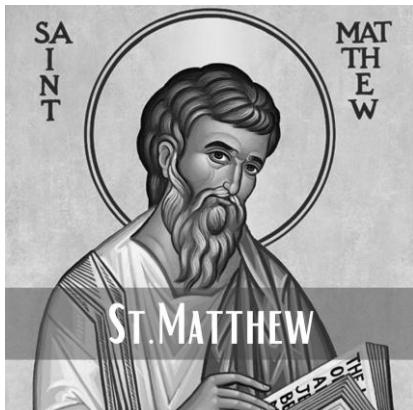
### **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>: THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST**

**8am The Holy Eucharist – Said**

**10.30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST**

Readings: Isaiah 42. 1-9, Acts 10. 34-43 and Matthew 3. 13-end

As we mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we will be having a special Ecumenical Service at 4pm Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 at St Mary's Church.



### MEETING MATTHEW

In this church year we will be using Matthew's Gospel. A small group will be meeting on **Wednesday evenings in January, the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th** to start reading and reflecting on Matthew's words. We will then break for Lent before restarting after Easter. Please do consider joining this group which will meet at **7pm at 86 Glebelands**, you will be made very welcome.

For more details please contact Toni Hayes on **01798 873683** or [antoinettehayes@icloud.com](mailto:antoinettehayes@icloud.com)

### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY...PULBOROUGH PANCAKE DAY!

Pulborough Charity Pancake Day in Pulborough Village Hall is on **Shrove Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February**. All profits from the event will be divided between the Macmillan Palliative Care Unit based at Midhurst, Pulborough Lunch Club for Senior Citizens and Education West Africa – Supporting the school in the Diocese of Bo in Sierra Leone.

With just seven weeks to go we are starting to think about this year's charity day tombola. If you have any unwanted gifts **Ann Kaiser on 01798 872819** will be pleased to receive them. The tombola is always a popular part of the event and raises substantial monies.

## **LEAFLET SPONSORING FOR THE NEW CHURCH YEAR.**

Do you have a special occasion or date in memory of a loved one  
Do consider sponsoring one of the services.

We ask for a £25 donation, gift-aided, if possible, which helps us  
cover the cost of printing and paper

The dates we have for the first part of the year are:

**In January are 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>**

**In February 1<sup>st</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

**In March 15<sup>th</sup> (Mothering Sunday) 22<sup>nd</sup> or**

**29<sup>th</sup> March (Palm Sunday)** Do speak to Ann Kaiser if you can help.

## **St Mary's Bell 100 Club – 2026 Lottery**

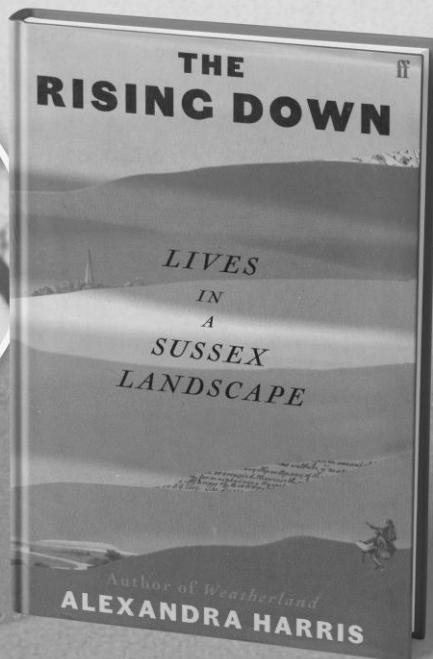
I am in the process of setting up the 2026 lottery. **Currently bells 10, 58 and 80 are available** should anyone be interested in subscribing and helping the bell ringers raise funds for St Mary's. The St Mary's Bell 100 Club is a small lottery, run under a licence issued by Horsham District Council, to raise funds towards the maintenance of the bell tower and the fabric of St Marys Church. The subscription for the year is £48.00 (£4.00 per month)

The monthly draw takes place on the first Monday of every month. The December draw, however will take place on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 9.30pm at the Chequers Hotel, Pulborough.

Seven 'bells' are drawn: the first prize is £100, the second prize is £50 and in addition, there are five third prizes of £10. In December there is an additional prize of £48.00 which means that 51% of the money raised is returned in prize money. By the end of the year, we will have awarded £2,448 in prizes and raised a similar amount for the bell tower and church, less a small amount for postage, stationery, and the lottery licence fee. Please phone me if you are interested in taking part in the lottery or require any further information. On behalf of the 100 Bells committee, I would like to thank everyone who have continued tor their support for the 2026 Lottery.

**Ian Cockburn – Treasurer (01798 813102)**

You are invited to a talk with  
**ALEXANDRA HARRIS**  
**AUTHOR OF THE RISING DOWN**  
7 February, 7pm, St Mary's Church, Pulborough



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