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**Sunday 12th January 2025 The First Sunday after Epiphany**

**Welcome** **to Buckingham Parish Church.**

**If you are new here, this section is for you!**

**Children and Youth:** We have great provision for children and youth. Scan QR code below for details.

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**Sermons:** These are recorded and available through our website and BPC app. See the QR code above.

**Streaming:** All our services are livestreamed and available to watch on our YouTube channel. See the QR Code above. If you do not wish to be included, please sit at the rear of the church or in the side aisles.

**Giving:** Please use a standing order (forms at the back of church) or the QR code above. We don’t take offerings during services, but you can make donations via ChurchSuite, the card reader at the back of the church or put cash into the wall box by the font.

**Sunday 12th January – Themes and Readings**

**9.00am:** **He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire**

Acts 8: 14-17 pg 1101; Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22 pg 1029

**Preacher**: Canon Max Wigley

**11.00am:** **Moving from why to who.**

John 1: 35 – 46 pg 1064

**Preacher:** Rev. Ope Ayileye

**6.00pm:** **Moving from why to who.**

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***Prayer Ministry:*** Available at all Sunday services in the Prayer Chapel. Receiving prayer brings the Lord’s healing and wholeness.

***Pray through the week* for** those who mourn or are unwell, that they may be comforted by God’s presence.

**The Week Ahead:**

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| Mon 13th January | 2.00pm - 4.00pm | Tea and Chat, at The Centre, Verney Close |
| Tue 14th January | 10.00am – 12noon | Coffee and Company, at  The Centre, Verney Close |
| 12 Noon | Community Lunch |
| Wed 15th January | 10.00am | Holy Communion |
| Thu 16th January | 9.00am – 11.00am | The Ark Toddler Group |
| 11am | Churches together service at Well Street United Church |
| 10.00am – 12 noon | Coffee and Company, at  The Centre, Verney Close |
| 7.15pm – 8.15pm | Choir Practice |
| Fri 17th January | 7.00pm - 7.30pm | Prayer meeting on Zoom - email Paul Wallace for details on [*bpcprayermeeting@protonmail.com*](mailto:bpcprayermeeting@protonmail.com) |
| Sat 18th January | 9.30am – 12.30pm | The Freedom we have in Christ with Adrian Galvin |
| Sun 19th January | **The Second Sunday after Epiphany** | |
| 9.00am | Traditional Holy Communion Service |
| 11.00am | Family Service |
| 6.00pm | Contemporary Service |

**Newcomers:** Please fill in a Welcome Card if you are new and want to be a part of the church family.

**The Freedom we have in Christ:** Following on from our Boot Camp series and specifically the talks on 'Lead us not into temptation' and 'Deliver us from evil', we are excited to welcome guest speaker Adrian Galvin. Adrian is a vibrant, warm hearted Irish guy who ministers widely about the freedom we can have in Christ by being delivered from evil and immersed in the love of Christ. He is a wonderful, down to earth and anointed speaker, and he has an inspirational testimony as well as many stories of his ministry of deliverance over the years. Please do come along. Please note, this is a ticketed event. Sign up on the website or at the back of church.

**Church Choir:** Do you love singing? Then please consider joining our Church Choir and contact our Choirmaster Rob Tucker at: [*choir@bpchurch.uk*](mailto:choir@bpchurch.uk)

**Support Group.** We would like to start a support group in 2025 for couples who are struggling with infertility or who have experienced miscarriages. This is a very personal and sensitive subject, but the aim of this group is to create a space for couples, going through similar painful experiences, where they can find community and understanding. If you are interested to join this group, please contact me, Jo Wigley, via email [*care@bpchurch.uk*](mailto:care@bpchurch.uk)

**Week of prayer for Christian Unity:** Churches Together in Buckingham are holding a United service on Thursday 16th January at 11.00am at Well Street United Church. Please join us. The materials have been prepared by the brothers and sisters of the ecumenical monastic community of Bose in Northern Italy and are based on the story of Martha’s confession of faith in Jesus as narrated in John 11:17 – 27.

**Renew and Thrive:** **A Course for Navigating Life After Separation or Divorce.**

Are you or someone you know going through a tough time after a separation or divorce? The Renew & Thrive program is here to help! This supportive, five-session course is designed to help individuals find hope, healing, and connection during a challenging life transition. Through a blend of activities, group discussions, and practical tips, you'll rebuild self-confidence, rediscover your strengths, and embrace new beginnings with a fresh perspective. Join us in a safe, welcoming space where you’ll be supported every step of the way. Please sign up at [*www.bpchurch.uk/renewandthrivecourse*](http://www.bpchurch.uk/renewandthrivecourse)

**Candlemass Lunch 2nd February:** A lunch for the 9am congregation is planned for Sunday 2nd February at The Centre, Verney Close, at. 12.30pm. This will be catered for, and there will be an opportunity to make a donation on the day. Please sign up or email the office: *office@bpchurch.uk*.

**Sound and Vision for Church Services:** If you are of a technical turn of mind, the Team that gives us the sound and vision for our Church Services and Livestream still needs more team members. Training will be given. Please contact the Production team. production@bpchurch.uk

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Prayer Chain: If you need or know of someone who needs prayer,

please call Gill Croxton who heads up the Prayer Chain *(815100)*

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**Full-service information:** [***www.bpchurch.uk/services***](http://www.bpchurch.uk/services)

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**Notice Sheet:** If you would like to submit an item for the notice sheet, please email the office: [*office@bpchurch.uk*](mailto:office@bpchurch.uk) by 6pm on Wednesday. Any items received after this time will be listed in the following week’s notice sheet.