



SUNDAY 16 JANUARY: EPIPHANY 2
COLLECT

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



**Benington & Walkern
Church Services**

Sunday 16 January: Epiphany 2

St Peter's Benington	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Rev Mark Bailey
St Mary's Walkern	9.30am	Service of the Word	Laurie Hawkins
Benington Methodist Church	10.30am	Covenant Service Holy Communion Churches Together in Benington and Walkern	Rev John Whittle

Thursday 20 January

United Reformed Church, Walkern	10.30am	Communion in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	
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Next Sunday 23 January: Epiphany 3

St Mary's Walkern	9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Rev Mark Bailey
St Peter's Benington	11.00am	Holy Communion	Rev Mark Bailey
Benington Methodist Church	10.30am	Morning Service	Hazel Beadle
United Reformed Church, Walkern	3.00pm	Service: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	Laurie Hawkins

John Hill



We are very sorry to announce the sad news of the death of John Hill, on 24th December.

The details for John's funeral are as follows:

St Marys Church, Walkern: Friday 28th January 2022 at 1.00pm followed by a Committal at Harwood Park Crematorium at 2.45pm

The Big Breakfast

Our annual Breakfast to celebrate the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** will take place in **Benington Village Hall on 22nd January, 2022.**

We are open at 8am for an 8.30 kick off, and can promise a fine spread and an interesting speaker in Revd Mark Bailey, our new Vicar.

There will be a suggested donation of £5.00 .

If you would like to come, please let Jenny Cobb know on 01438 869 348 or cobbj1364@gmail.com.

WALKERN FOOD BANK

We have three collection points: St Mary's church on Wednesday mornings 10.30-11.30am, outside the shop and at No 100 High Street.



If you know of anyone who could benefit from receiving some help please contact Beverley Harlow on 07881588662 or bevharlow16@gmail.com

Walkern Food Bank: Thank you very much to everyone who is continuing to donate. Your generosity has made a huge difference to those in need. We are currently in need of the following items:

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| Tea | Baby wipes |
| Coffee | Children's drinks |
| Milk | Pasta sauce |
| Cereals | Rice |
| Toiletries - soap, shampoo, toothpaste | Tinned vegetables |
| | Toilet rolls |
| | Cleaning products |

Please note that we do not need any baby milk at the moment (although jars of 4months plus baby food are very welcome).



Chiltern West Gallery Quire

A Wassail

2pm Saturday 29th January 2022

St. Mary's Churchyard
Church End, Walkern, SG2 7PB

Join us in the blessing of the trees and singing of old Wassail carols.
The CWGQ band will lead a procession through the churchyard.
Please bring loud instruments and kitchen utensils to bang, blow
and beat to ward off evil spirits from the trees.
Everyone can take part, including children – lasts 45-50 minutes.
Singing and marching to hasten good growth for next harvest.

Further Information

bevharlow16@gmail.com or jenifer.ellis47@hotmail.com

We will be outdoors and will cancel if the weather looks poor
(if in doubt, check www.cwgq.co.uk after 10am on the day)

Free parking and some seating available

Accessible toilet in the church

Refreshments available afterwards - Retiring collection

www.cwgq.co.uk

info@cwgg.co.uk

 **St Albans
chamber
choir**

Musical Director: John Gibbons

Saturday 5 February 2022

2pm

Church of St Mary the Virgin

Walkern SG2 7PB



Into the Light
- choral music to lift the spirits

Free admission

Retiring collection (cash please) for The Friends of St Mary's

Refreshments after the concert

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Named requests for prayer will be included on the notice sheet for at least one month. If you would like a name to be included for our intercessions, please contact the Parish Office ubbw@hotmail.co.uk or 07407 630159 or Maggie Hawkins (359500) for Walkern or Rita Plumb (869731) for Benington. (Names from the prayer board in St Mary's Church will also be included in the intercessions in that church.) Prayer is regularly offered for all the sick and needy in our community.

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Those who live in our villages: This week we pray for all who live in Finches End, Walkern and Town Lane, Benington.

We pray for those in our parishes or friends and family members who are housebound, unwell, receiving treatment or recovering from operations:

Chris & Jan Phillips, Jean Woodall and Neville Chuck.

We also remember those who have died and their families and friends:

Wim Foks (Walkern), Betty McKeown (Throcking), John Hill (Walkern), Carole Darling (Benington) and John Darling (Benington).

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BENINGTON & WALKERN: CONTACT NUMBERS

MEMBERS OF ECUMENICAL MINISTRY TEAM

Methodist: Revd Malcolm Peacock (01462 646562), Mr Brian Burgess (237748),
Mrs Brenda Davies (227293);

URC: Revd John Walker (01462-895481), Mrs Olga Ginn (861754);

Roman Catholic: Mrs Rita Healy (861098);

St Peter and St Mary: Revd Mark Bailey (01763 281052)
Mr Paul Cobb, *Reader* (869348), Mr Laurie Hawkins, *Reader* (359500),
Mrs Jenny Cobb (869348).

TO ARRANGE BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS OR FUNERALS, CONTACT:

Church clergy: United Reformed Church: Revd John Walker (01462 895481)

Benington Methodist Church: Revd Malcolm Peacock (01462 646562)

St Mary's and St Peter's: Revd Mark Bailey (01763 281052)

FOR OTHER PASTORAL HELP, CONTACT:

Benington Pastoral visiting team c/o Mrs Jenny Cobb (869348)
Walkern Pastoral visiting team c/o Mrs Maggie Hawkins (359500)

St Peter's, Benington Churchwardens:

Mrs Christine Brown (869468)

St Mary's, Walkern Churchwardens:

Mrs Beverley Harlow (225365) & Mrs Maggie Hawkins (359500)

FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ENQUIRIES, CONTACT:

Benington Methodist Steward: Mr Brian Burgess (237748)

Walkern URC Secretary: Mrs Olga Ginn (861754)

Anglican Benefice Administrator: Heather Ferguson (07407 630159):

Tuesdays 9.00am–12noon & Thursdays 2.00pm–5.00pm or ubbw@hotmail.co.uk