



# St. Mary's Church, Yatton

**11<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany  
The Baptism of Christ**

***Welcome to our Service today***

**10.00am** Service of Morning Prayer

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 14: v15-22 Psalm 89: v19-29 Gospel Reading: Matt 3: v13-17

*Please stay after the Service for tea/coffee in the Chapter-house*

Please pray for the Revd Richard Taylor and his family, whose wife Geraldine sadly died on the 17<sup>th</sup> December, and whose Thanksgiving Service will be held this Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm; and for the family of Roy Patterson, who died recently; also for **those who are sick, in need, or whom we keep in our prayers:** for Tony & Liz Chappell, John & Geeta Watkins, and for those members of our congregation who are in Care Homes - Beryl Bradbury, Diane, Mary, Jacqui, Roger, Paul, Linda, and Eileen.

## **Diary for the period 9<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> January**

<b>Fri (9<sup>th</sup>)</b>	7.00pm: Choir Practice in the Chapter-house
<b>Sat (10<sup>th</sup>)</b>	7.30-9.30pm: Advanced Bellringing Practice
<b>Mon-Fri</b>	9.00am-3.00pm: (until 12.45pm Thu): Pre-School in the Chapter-house
<b>Mon-Sun</b>	10.00am-4.00pm (closes earlier Mon/Tue): Church open to visitors and for private prayer
<b>Tue-Wed</b>	8.15-8.30am: Team Morning Prayer on Zoom – contact Mike Cooke
<b>Tue</b>	7.30pm: Bell-ringing Practice
<b>Wed</b>	3.30pm: Arrival of Geraldine Taylor's coffin, with a short Communion Service in the chancel, prior to resting in St. Mary's overnight 3.30 – 5.30pm: "Warm Welcome" for all in the Chapter-house
<b>Thu</b>	2.00pm: Thanksgiving Service for Geraldine Taylor
<b>Fri (16<sup>th</sup>)</b>	7.00pm: Choir Practice in the Chapter-house

**Next Sunday: 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

**10.00am** Service of Holy Communion

**Geraldine Taylor:** we give thanks for the life of Geraldine (Gerry) Taylor, who died peacefully in her sleep on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. We remember her, along with Richard and the family in our prayers. Geraldine's coffin will rest in St. Mary's overnight, following a **short communion service at 3.30pm this Wednesday (14<sup>th</sup> January)**; her cremation will take place at **Weston Crematorium at 11.30am on Thursday (15<sup>th</sup>)**, and this will be followed by a **Thanksgiving Service at 2pm at St. Mary's**. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the Chapter House. Richard would be happy for anyone to attend any or all of these three services.

**Roy Patterson:** you will also be sorry to learn that Roy died recently; he was a very regular member of our congregation prior to his becoming a resident at Strawberry Gardens and subsequently Cadbury Hall. His funeral service will be at St. Mary's on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 12.30pm, and we give thanks for his life as we remember him and his family and friends in our prayers.

**Christmas Coffee Morning and Raffle:** Owing to a slight delay in the counting and banking of the various monies received over Christmas, we do not yet have figures for the sums raised at these events – watch this space! However, you may be interested to know that the regular Saturday Chapter-house Coffee Mornings in 2025 raised the wonderful total of **£950** for the Care of St. Mary's fund. Thank you to everyone who organised and supported these events and activities.

**St. Mary's Magazine:** Val would welcome items for inclusion in the next issue - any news, Christmas events described, fun stories etc. Val will include something more on the Chapter House anniversary, so anecdotes on that would be welcome - if anyone took a photo of Dick Acworth when he was with us on 14 Dec, that would also be great! Contributions by 25<sup>th</sup> January, please, to Val (valddickens@gmail.com)

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