



7th December 2025

Verse of the Week

"The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him - the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord." Isaiah 11 verse 2 (NIV)

Collect

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen.

The Second Sunday of Advent

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am Holy Communion with Kids in Christ

Bekah Clark will preach on Isaiah 11:1-10

Coming up this week

Sunday, 2-3.30pm

Tuesday, 2pm

Thursday, 1.30pm

Open Church at Elmdon Church

Tuesdays at Two at Elmdon Church

Craft group at St Mary's

Please pray for...

- Rob Dean preaching next Sunday.
- The residents of Stockwell Rise and Stoney Close.
- Victims of the cyclone disaster in Sri Lanka.
- Children and teachers visiting the church during Advent.
- The Lord to lead us as we seek to bring the good news of Jesus to our community.
- The guidance of the Holy Spirit in how we can use the resources we have.

Dates for your Diary

Mondays at 9.30am: Zoom Morning Prayer. Email revbekahclark@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Quiet Reading Party: Monday, 8th December, 10.30am–12noon at Elmdon Church. An opportunity to “unplug” in the company of others in an hour of silent reading (or listening to an audiobook) followed by an optional discussion time. Refreshments will be provided. This could be the ideal time to get into reading the Bible or a Christian book, but what you read is entirely your choice!

Christmas Jumper Sunday, 14th December: If you would like to join in with this (there's no pressure to do so), come wearing a Christmas jumper, or any other Christmas garment! All donations will go to Save the Children.

Birmingham Concert Band Christmas Concert: Monday, 15th December, 7.45pm, at Elmdon Church. Festive music and carols, hot drinks and mince pies! Adults £5, accompanied children go free. Pay at the door.

Elmdon Park calendar 2026: The calendar will be on sale before the Christmas Jumper Sunday on 14th December and also during the interval at the Birmingham Band Concert on 15th December. Price £8 each, proceeds towards the defibrillator & bleed kit and other projects in the park.

Mince pies required: Please can you help in supplying mince pies for the forthcoming Carol Service and Birmingham Concert Band concert. Please check sell by date!

CPAS survey: CPAS, our patron and a leading and highly respected provider of support to parishes, is leading a parish development review for Elmdon Church to enable us to flourish in our future mission and ministry. This is under the title of the **4-Ms: Mission, Ministry, Motive, Mechanisms**. If you are a regular worshipper, you are encouraged to complete the survey at <https://elmdonchurch.org/survey/> or use the QR code.



Paper copies will also be available in the Wilberforce Hall. Closing date 22nd December.

This week's Discovery Bible Study Isaiah 11:1-10

- Review how you did with last week's passage: What changes did you make in your life? Who did you tell?
- Read this week's passage again.
- Retell the passage in your own words.
- Reflect on the questions below.
- Pray for God's help.

What does the story tell me about God?	If this is really God's word, what changes would I have to make in my life?
What does the story tell me about people or myself?	Who am I going to tell?

Next Sunday, 14th December

CHRISTMAS JUMPER SUNDAY

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am All Age Holy Communion

Rob Dean will preach on Matthew 11:2-11

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News Sheet

News for the 14th December edition of the news sheet should be sent to news@elmdonchurch.org by 7pm on Wednesday, 10th December.