

# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other



## Wash hands

keep washing your hands regularly



## Cover face

wear a face covering in enclosed spaces



## Make space

stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

### What's happening next week?

#### • **Sunday 27th December**

- 9.15am Family Service (on YouTube)
- 11.00am Morning Service (St Edmund's Church. Warkton all welcome)

#### • **Monday 28th December**

- 8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

#### • **Tuesday 29th December**

- 8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

#### • **Wednesday 30th December**

- 8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

#### • **Thursday 31st December**

- 8:00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

#### • **Friday 1st January**

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#### • **Sunday 3rd January**

- 9.15am Family Service (on YouTube)
- 11.00am Morning Service (St Edmund's Church. Warkton all welcome)
- 6.30pm Evening Prayer (in Church)

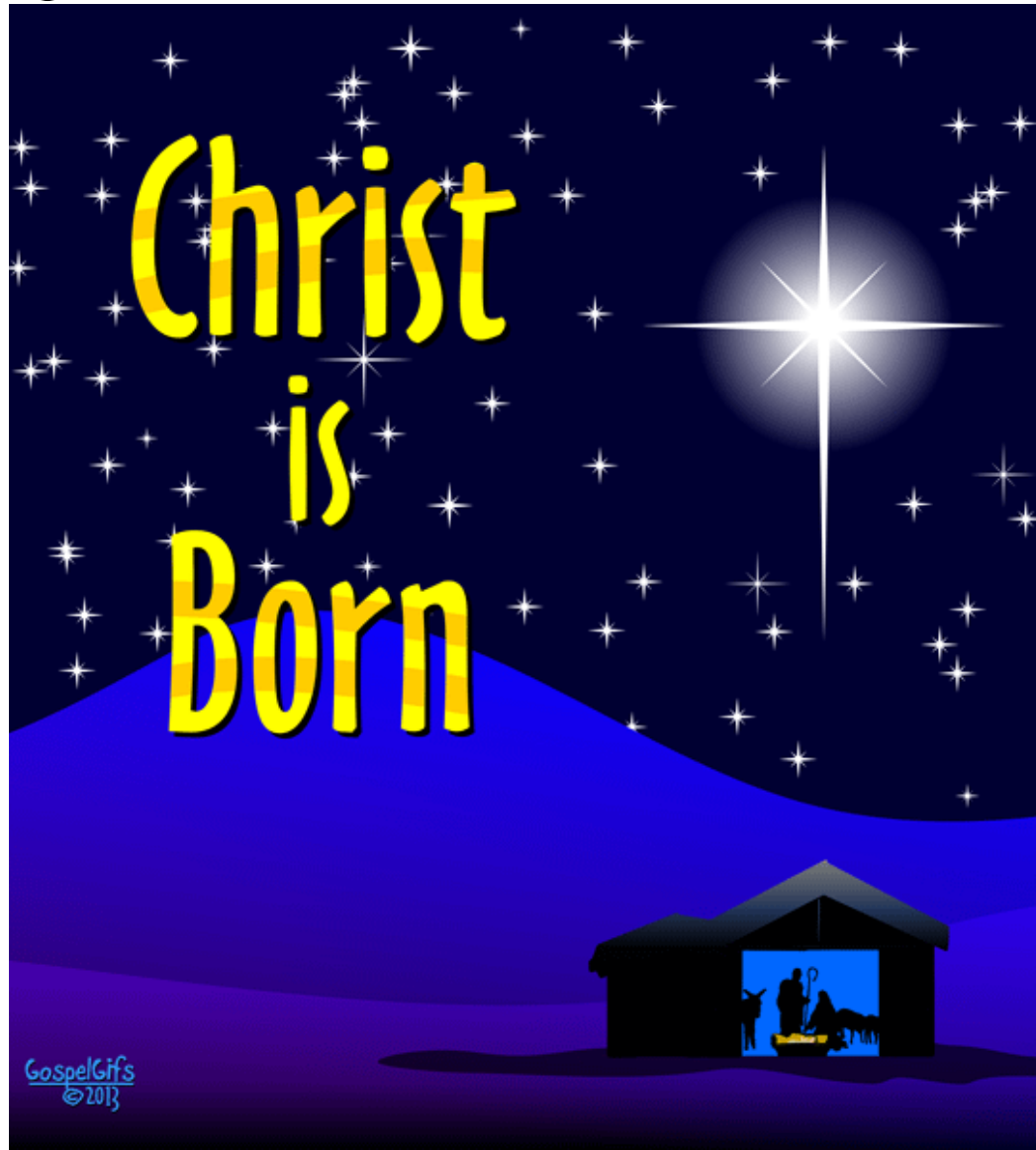


St Botolph's  
Church Family News  
The Sunday after Christmas

27th December



Christ  
is  
Born



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### Collect for Christmas Day

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; 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

### Collect for The Sunday after Christmas Day

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### Message from Mark

For many of us it won't be the Christmas for which we had hoped. We were looking forward to seeing, at least some of, our family. I know that in many houses there were tears of frustration and disappointment as the goal posts were moved again last week. There's a verse in the Bible that says, "Hope deferred makes the heart sick" (Proverbs 13v12). How true. However, we can still celebrate the true joys of Christmas, the birth of Jesus, God's son, our saviour. That can never change for all eternity. So, may God bless you this Christmas, may He bind up the broken hearted, and fill us all with joy. Do have a happy Christmas, and pray that next year God, in His mercy, will bring healing to our land.

**Do you know of a friend, neighbour, relative or work colleague** who isn't going to be able to get to visit family or friends this Christmas since the new COVID 19 Tier level restrictions that have been put in place by the Government, or get to a church service or who can't access any of the online service content. Please be mindful of those in need and look out for one another during these trouble and uncertain times.

For many of us, Christmas this year will be unlike any we've experienced before. But, despite the challenges we all face, this is a key moment for Christians: a moment to come together to let the justice of Jesus shine in a world desperately in need of our true King. Of course, 2020 has reminded us very starkly of the limits of human government. The pandemic has shown us that, even with the best of intentions, the power and wisdom of human government is very limited. Christmas makes us long all the more for King Jesus, of whose "government and peace there will be no end" (Isaiah 9:7).

**Lets start anew this New Year.** The great thing about having a friendship with God is that there is always the opportunity to start anew - God always offers us a new day and a new dawn, no matter what has gone before. At the start of this New Year, why not take a moment to thank Him for last year, ask His forgiveness for where we have failed, and dedicate this coming New Year to Him - to serve Him and love Him afresh.

### Christmas Eve Service

24th December 5pm - online



### Christmas Eve Service (YouTube Livestream)

**24th December 5pm**

Tune in to the St Bot's livestream

[YouTube channel](#)

at **5pm on Christmas Eve** for a traditional service of carols, readings and a Christmas message.



### Midnight Prayer Service

at St Edmund's Church, Warkton  
24th December 11.30pm

### Midnight Prayer Service at St Edmund's Church Warkton - 24th December 11.30pm

Join us at St Edmund's Church in Warkton as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

In order to keep numbers at a safe level, online booking is required and will be available from 6am on 17th Dec at - [www.stbots.org.uk/christmas-2020](http://www.stbots.org.uk/christmas-2020)



### Christmas Day Service

25th December 10am - online

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**Join us At 8am** in Church for Morning Prayer - booking is required and tickets will be available from 6am on 17th Dec at

[www.stbots.org.uk/Christmas-2020](http://www.stbots.org.uk/Christmas-2020)

**At 10am** Gather everyone together and tune in to our online Christmas Day Celebration! The service will be available on the [St Bot's YouTube Channel](#)

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(Opening Hours Mon - Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm.)