



**Ashford Town Parish**  
**Loving God : Serving Ashford**

# **Christmas**

# **2021**





## **Welcome to Christmas in the Ashford Town Parish**

For many of us, familiar Christmas traditions — whatever those may be in your home and your community — got badly disrupted last year. Many of us will be hoping that we can enjoy those traditions again this year, though we know there are no guarantees.

If taking part in a church service has been part of the Christmas tradition for you, I really hope you'll want to be including that in your plans again. There are plenty of services to choose from listed here, at different venues across Ashford and at different dates and times. Some are more traditional, some more modern; some are specially designed for families and children. But all of them will be bringing people together to celebrate the heart of Christmas.

Maybe going to church at Christmas is a habit you've got out of, or one you never really had. We'd still love to see you. Join in the carols, or just sit quietly and listen to ancient words and beautiful melodies. You don't need to do anything or say anything. Just take a moment to connect with a tradition that goes back two thousand years and is still celebrated around the world, and with the joy and wonder at the heart of it.

*Jeremy*

**Revd Canon Dr Jeremy Worthen**  
**Team Rector**

# SERVICES



## Ashford St. Mary's

19 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	Carol Service	Ashford St Mary's Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	4.00 pm	Christingle & Crib Service	Ashford St Mary's Church
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)	10.00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ashford St Mary's Church
26 <sup>th</sup> December (Boxing Day)	10.00 am	Carol Praise with said Holy Communion	Ashford St Mary's Church

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## Christ Church

11 <sup>th</sup> December	1.00 pm	Christmas Fayre	Christ Church Community Hall
19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 am	Eucharist with Nativity	Christ Church
19 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30 pm	Nine Lessons & Carols	Christ Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	4.00 pm	Christingle Service	Christ Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass	Christ Church
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)	9.30 am	Christmas Eucharist	Christ Church
26 <sup>th</sup> December (Boxing Day)	9.30 am	St. Stephen's Eucharist	Christ Church

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*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.*

Isaiah 9:6-7



## Great Chart & St Francis

16 <sup>th</sup> December	4.30 pm	Christingle Service	St Francis Church
19 <sup>th</sup> December	6.00 pm	Carol Service	St Mary's Great Chart
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	3.00 pm	Crib Service	St Mary's Great Chart
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	11.30 pm	Midnight Communion	St Mary's Great Chart
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)	10.00 am	Christmas Family Service	St Mary's Great Chart

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## Kennington

12 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00 pm	Christingle Service	St Mary's Kennington
19 <sup>th</sup> December	6.00 pm	Carol Service	St Mary's Kennington
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	4.00 pm	Crib Service	St Mary's Kennington
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	11.30 pm	Midnight Communion	St Mary's Kennington
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)	10.00 am	Christmas Communion	St Mary's Kennington
26 <sup>th</sup> December (Boxing Day)	10.00 am	Family Communion	St Mary's Kennington

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*When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts: gold and frankincense and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:10-11



## Kingsnorth with Shadoxhurst

16 <sup>th</sup> December	7.00 pm	Carols in the Pub	The King's Head, Shadoxhurst
18 <sup>th</sup> December	5.00 pm	Christingle	Kingsnorth Church
19 <sup>th</sup> December	6.00 pm	Carol Service	Kingsnorth Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	3.00 pm	Crib Service	Kingsnorth Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	5.00 pm	Crib Service	Shadoxhurst Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)	11.00 pm	Midnight Communion	Kingsnorth Church
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)	8.00 am	Christmas Communion	Shadoxhurst Church
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)	10.00 am	Christmas Communion	Kingsnorth Church

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## Singleton

### Services for the whole family

12 <sup>th</sup> December	11.00 am	Christingle	Singleton Village Hall
19 <sup>th</sup> December	11.00 am	Nativity play	Singleton Village Hall
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)	10.00 am	All Age Worship	Singleton Village Hall

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*And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:  
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!*

Luke 2:13-14



## Willesborough & Sevington

5 <sup>th</sup> December	3.00 pm	Blue Christmas	Willesborough Church
19 <sup>th</sup> December	11.00 am	Christmas Communion	Sevington Church
19 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	Nativity & Christingle	Willesborough Church
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	6.30 pm	Lessons & Carols	Willesborough Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00 pm	Crib Service	Willesborough Church
24 <sup>th</sup> December	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass	Willesborough Church
25 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	Christmas Communion	Willesborough Church
25 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	Christmas Worship	Sevington Church
26 <sup>th</sup> December	8.00 am	Holy Communion	Willesborough Church
26 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	Family Communion	Willesborough Church

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# At the heart of Christmas



This year, the Church of England's Theme for Advent and Christmas is "At the Heart of Christmas".

To find out more, please follow the link below:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/advent-and-christmas-2021-resources-heart-christmas>

***But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.***

Luke 2: 19

## **OUR LOCATIONS**

### **Ashford**

St Mary the Virgin  
The Church Yard  
Tufton Street  
Ashford  
Kent  
TN23 1QG

### **Christ Church**

Christ Church  
Beaver Road  
Ashford  
Kent  
TN23 7SR

### **Great Chart**

St Mary's Church  
The Street  
Great Chart  
Ashford  
TN23 3AY

### **Kennington**

St Mary's Church  
Church Road  
Kennington  
Ashford  
TN24 9DQ

### **Kingsnorth**

St Michael & All Angels  
Church Hill  
Kingsnorth  
Ashford  
TN23 1EF

### **Shadoxhurst**

SS Peter & Paul  
Church Lane  
Shadoxhurst  
Ashford  
TN26 1XL

### **Sevington**

St Mary's Church  
Bad Munstereifel Road  
Sevington  
Ashford

### **Singleton**

St Mary's Singleton  
Singleton Village Hall  
1 Hoxton Lane  
Ashford  
TN23 5LB

### **St Francis**

St Francis Church  
Cryol Road  
Ashford  
TN23 5AS

### **Willesborough**

St Mary the Virgin  
Bentley Road  
Willesborough  
Ashford  
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*May the joy of the angels,  
the eagerness of the shepherds,  
the perseverance of the wise men,  
the obedience of Joseph and Mary,  
and the peace of the Christ-child  
be yours this Christmas;  
and the blessing of God  
Father, Son & Holy Spirit  
Be with you those you love  
this Christmas and always  
AMEN*

**With Christmas Blessings from the  
Parish Leadership Team of  
The Ashford Town Parish**

