

## Goldington Churches Together

St Mary's has close links with other churches in the area through Goldington Churches Together. Since Pentecost 2000 we have had a formal commitment with Priory Methodist Church and Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church. We are pleased to have also developed links with other churches and individual ministers. These include the Word of Faith Centre in 2010 and the University of Bedfordshire Chaplaincy in 2016.

Our aim as a local Churches Together group is to grow closer together by witnessing, worshipping, studying, ministering and serving together in the local community. We are able to achieve more by working together. A good example of this is the Foodbank – which supports many local families thanks to volunteers from different churches.

Events which we may be involved in during the year are listed below:

<u>Time of year</u>	<u>Events</u>
January	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Lent	United Lent Course
Palm Sunday	Palm Sunday walk of witness and service
Good Friday	Witness in the town centre
Easter	Easter cards for Yarl's Wood Easter Story Trail
Pentecost	Pentecost service in Bedford Park
May	Bedfordshire Ecumenical Committee Forum
October	Goldington Churches Together 'mini-retreat'
November	Remembrance Day service on Goldington Green
December	Christmas services are advertised Carol singing outside Tesco – in aid of a local charity Christmas cards for Yarl's Wood.