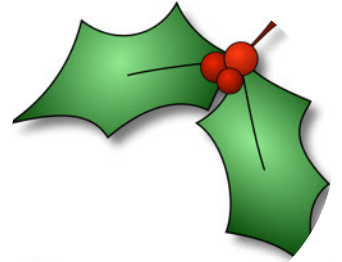
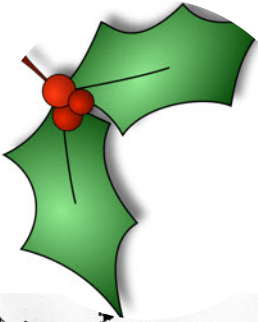
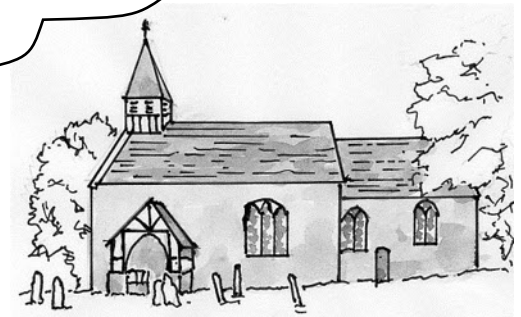


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The Parish Magazine for Acton Beauchamp, Bishops Frome, Castle Frome,
Evesbatch, Fromes Hill, Much Cowarne, Ocle Pychard & Stanford Bishop.



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& ALL THE BEST FOR 2023

Sarah



**FROME VALLEY NEWS
COLLECTION DAY**

**Could volunteers from all churches kindly
collect their new batch of issues
from the Parish Office TBC by email.**

Vicar's Letter,

I don't know about you but I'm not always too fond of change. It's so easy to assume that what is familiar is always right, and anything new is clearly wrong. Having said that I do find change interesting and I find myself wondering what things will look like after they have changed, change can be quite exciting. Change often takes us out of our familiar comfort zone and encourages us to experience things in a new way.



Jesus followers often had a hard time accepting the changes that he seemed to bring. He always seemed to turn everything they thought they knew backwards and inside out. If Jesus was the Messiah, then clearly He was going to rule Israel and get rid of those Roman invaders, and they wanted to be his right-hand men, sharing the power and the glory. Unimportant people like women and children would clearly be beneath the Messiah's concern, and Samaritans and Gentiles clearly wouldn't be included. The disciples wanted change...but the change Jesus came to bring wasn't what they expected or thought they needed.

St. Paul wrote about how the reality of being accepted by Christ would change the status of both the privileged and underdogs in Galatians 3:28 – “There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”

In our own context we face continuing change. The Diocese of Hereford has 73 paid clergy and collects enough money in from the parishes to pay 55 of us. So consequently we face more change as the church relies less on paid professionals and more on volunteers, both lay and ordained. In our Deanery that means we will inevitably lose one of our three remaining paid posts and that Bromyard Deanery will eventually merge with Ledbury. I anticipate a changing pattern of working where I spend more time supporting the needs of a larger group of thinly spread clergy across a wider area and less time with people in the benefice.

Within our own benefice change is happening all around us as we come to terms with changing patterns of church attendance. St Matthew's Church, Fromes Hill is still going through the process of closure. Stanford Bishop and Ocle Pychard PCC's have both made the decision to join Evesbatch in becoming Festival Churches. Stopping a regular pattern of worship that is clearly unsustainable will allow these churches to take a more flexible approach to worship and to focus limited resources. Becoming a festival church doesn't solve all our problems but it at least gives PCC's and congregations the space to think creatively about worship and community engagement and keeps our churches open.

As we look forward once again in anticipation to celebrating the incarnation in the person of the Christ child this Christmas, may we all reflect on the huge changes that he brought with him. Change is difficult, sometimes really difficult, but it is what God calls us to as we strive to fully live “in Christ.” in an ever changing world.

Blessings

Steven





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Frome Valley Pastoral Group

The Pastoral Group are all very actively engaged in emailing and telephoning people through out this difficult time. If you have any concerns or would just like to speak to someone please call one of the group;

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Christmas Carols in the Frome Valley

Sunday 4th December 6.00pm Carol Service Acton Beauchamp

Friday 16th December 7.30pm Carol Service with the Pax Singers Ocle Pychard

Sunday 18th December 10.00am Carol Service Much Cowarne

Sunday 18th December 4pm Carol Service Castle Frome

Tuesday 20th December 7pm Carol Service Bishops Frome

Thursday 22nd December 6.30pm Carol Service Evesbatch

Friday 23rd December 7pm Carol Service Frome's Hill

Christmas Eve 6pm Carol Service Stanford Bishop



Report on the Deanery Synod meeting - Thursday 27th October 2022

On Thursday 27th October Deanery Synod meet at Bishops Frome Village Hall.

After tea and coffee at 7pm we were welcomed by the chairman Rev Steven Baggs who introduced the Rev Dr Elizabeth Wild, Local Ministry Lead for Hereford Diocese and Chris Evans a Licensed Reader from Whitbourne.

Chris Evans gave a brief introduction and told everybody about the deanery 'get together' he had organised in March under the theme "If you have to walk on water you have to get out of the boat". A meeting to encourage Christians in the Bromyard deanery to take up 'Lay Leadership'. Following on from this, a number of people have been attending a monthly course at St Peter's Bromyard, led by Elizabeth Wild and Chris. This started in July and will end at the end of November.

Martin Hewitt and Moyra Taylor, who are attending this Leadership course then led the Synod meeting in prayer.

Chris Evans then explained that not all the people attending the course want to become Lay Leaders of Worship, and that the courses will continue with one focused on Pastoral Care, and one on Mission. He was pleased to announce that nine people will be commissioned in the near future by the Bishop of Hereford as Lay Leaders of Worship.

He then asked six course members who were present at the meeting to share what they had gained from the Leadership Course. They all said how much they had found the course most interesting, enlightening, and genuinely meaningful, and how it would enable them to make a difference in their parishes and churches.

Chris went on to say he hoped it would encourage others to follow the same path as these prospective Lay Leaders, or as Pastoral Carers and Missioners. Elizabeth Wild also spoke about how she had recently been appointed to the Diocese to further this sort of work, and had been so pleased to find that it had already been started in Bromyard.

Steven Baggs as Chairman of the meeting thanked Chris, Elizabeth and the future Lay Readers for their contribution to the meeting and then continued with the business matters of the Synod.

Steven told us that due to lack of funds, in time, the number of paid stipendiary clergy in the Hereford Diocese would have to go down from the present 73 to 55 and would therefore be more dependent of Lay people! Also, that the Bromyard Deanery would join with that of Ledbury, and he had been asked to take over that greater role.

Roger Wilkins from Bromyard was appointed as Lay Co Chair of the Deanery Synod.

Steven held a discussion about speakers for future meetings.

Martin Hewitt closed the meeting in prayer.

The next meeting of the synod will be on 23rd February in St Peter's Parish Room, Bromyard with Mandy Mcphee Diocesan Safeguarding Officer speaking about Safeguarding at the Parish Level. Anyone interested in finding out more is welcome to attend.

Christmas Services in the Frome Valley 2022

Christmas Eve

3.00pm Crib Service, St Mary the Virgin, Bishops Frome

6.00pm Carol Service, St James the Greater, Stanford Bishop

8.00pm First Communion of Christmas, St James the Great, Ocle Pychard

11.30pm Midnight Mass, St Mary the Virgin, Bishops Frome

Christmas Day

10.00am Holy Communion, St Michael and All Angels, Castle Frome

10.00am Holy Communion, St Matthew, Fromes Hill

10.00am Holy Communion, St Mary the Virgin, Much Cowarne






11.30am Holy Communion, St Giles, Acton Beauchamp



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As you know we have recently had fantastic autumnal days so do feel free to come up and visit our beautiful church and admire the wonderful panoramic views and changing scenery as winter approaches.

Dates for the Diary

Carol Service by Candlelight
on

Christmas Eve 6pm

Sherry and Mince Pies will be served following the
Service



Snowdrops and Soup
Saturday 4th February 2023
12 to 1.30

Homemade soup served with fresh crusty bread

Finally Churchwardens and P.C.C. would like to say a very big thankyou to all that have given their precious time to support St. James Church in the last year.



St James Stanford Bishop

Carol Service by candlelight

Saturday 24th December 6pm

We look forward to Christmas Eve and our 6pm Carol service. During our service we create our Nativity Scene where we invite the congregation to assemble our display.

After the service we invite you to join us for mince pies and sherry.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

**The Carol Service will be held on SUNDAY the 4th of DECEMBER at 6pm.
Festive refreshments will be served, following the Carol Service.
Everyone very welcome.**

There will be NO family communion service in the morning.

On Christmas Day there will be a Family Communion Service at 11.30pm.

**An under-pew heating system has now been installed, at the Church.
This will keep everyone much warmer.**

PLEASE BRING A TORCH.

THE NEW YEAR

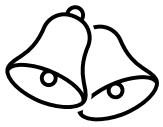
**We will NOT be holding a Communion Service on Sunday, the 1st of January 2023.
This may be a big ask, for all, after seeing in the New Year, the night before!!**

Acton Beauchamp PCC would like to send many, many thanks to all those who give so much of their time, talents and financial support to St. Giles' Church. We very much appreciate all that you do.

**The support that you give makes such an enormous difference, to St. Giles' Church.
THANK YOU.**

We wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and a Very Happy New Year.





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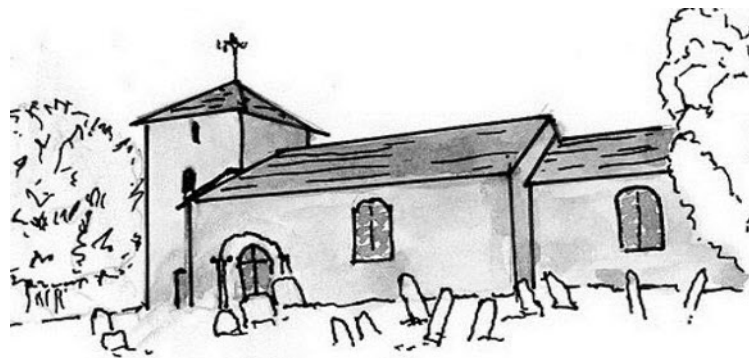
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ALL WELCOME



DECEMBER 2022

I spent the last few days with some wonderful volunteers, and it's prompted me to reflect on the value of volunteering. When you stop to think about it, it is truly extraordinary how many fantastic things are done by volunteers! So many useful services, and so many sports and cultural activities that bring joy to people, are all thanks to people who give their time simply in order to help others.



I started trying to make a list, and it quickly became too long to fit on here! But I'd like to mention a few examples... Let's start with this parish newsletter. It's such a valuable thing, and it's produced and delivered by volunteers every month, helping keep everyone in the parish informed and connected. What a wonderful team of people!

Every time I run one of my monthly ward surgeries I meet volunteers – people who help run the village hall, or shop, or IT hub, or Talk Community café... These local facilities are part of the lifeblood of our villages. Parish councillors, too, spend many unsung hours working to improve things in and for their local community. Thank you all – our communities are enriched by all your efforts!

Volunteers also do an enormous amount to provide opportunities for children and adults to have fun and learn new skills. I'm immensely grateful to the volunteer coaches that provided such amazing sporting encouragement to my own sons through Ledbury Swifts and Ledbury Rugby Club. Thousands of kids in the county benefit every week from volunteers providing opportunities in so many activities: dance, music, theatre, sports, arts, scouts and guides, and so much more. You're all amazing!

Adults benefit from this too of course! For example, I'm a member of Hereford Choral Society and Hereford Triathlon Club, both of which are run by volunteers. I'm so grateful to everyone who works so hard behind the scenes to keep clubs and societies like these going, enabling people to sing and swim and more! (By the way, Hereford Choral Society's annual performance of Handel's Messiah by candlelight in Hereford Cathedral is coming up on Saturday 10th December – more info at <https://herefordchoralsociety.org/>).

We all benefit from the work of volunteers in many ways. And we benefit from being volunteers ourselves, too – it can be incredibly fulfilling! One of the highlights of my own month is volunteering with ECHO (<https://www.echoherefordshire.org.uk/>), a wonderful charity that provides extra choices and opportunities for people with a disability. And many parts of my councillor role involve volunteering, like my 'Sunday Service' clean-ups. There's a real sense of satisfaction from knowing I've helped make things a little bit better in my community in some small way, whether it's litter-picking or cleaning the road signs ☺. It's well known that giving to others is one of the best things you can do to improve your own wellbeing. So as Christmas approaches and with it the season of gift-giving, it's worth remembering that sometimes the best gift we can give – for ourselves as well as others – is our time! If you'd like to find out more about how you can help your community, the council's Talk Community project is a great place to start: <https://www.talkcommunity.org/>.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

Ellie

To contact me about any council-related issues, please call 01531 670729 (landline) or 07950 714947 (mobile), or email ellie.chowns@herefordshire.gov.uk.

I'm always happy to hear from you!



Burley Gate Village Carol Singers

Alison and Mark Panniers

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will be hosting the carol singers in the barn

MONDAY 19th DECEMBER 7pm prompt

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From the Bishop:

Most years when I was a parish priest in Sussex a group of us used to go Carol singing. We'd visit homes and the local pubs. Rather than asking for money for a charity or Church funds we would finish by giving out mince pies. This always threw people. They wanted to pay for them. They couldn't believe there wasn't some sort of catch. I'm sure it would be even worse were I to do it today. We've got so wary of scam calls, texts and emails, we are immediately suspicious of anything that seems too good to be true.



We often refer to Christ's coming at Christmas in terms of gifts. The word became flesh and dwelt among us. Unbidden and unsought, Christ comes to earth to reveal what God is like in a way that eludes human reason. The Christian story is something no one could have made up as a recipe for a restored relationship with God. But gift and the allied term grace are what it is all about.

This Christmas we are acutely aware of life's intractable problems. How on earth are we to solve the climate crisis, the economic crisis, the international relations crisis brought on by the war in Ukraine? All these problems seem unsolvable given normal patterns of human behaviour. How can a baby born in the backwater of an ancient empire 2000 years ago have anything to say about any of them? But the gift of Jesus is simple without being simplistic. The heart of most problems is the problem of the human heart. Jesus offers us the gift that meets the needs we seek to fill with rapacious consumption. He offers the security that frees us to love. He offers us the peace that in trust releases generosity. He offers the forgiveness that releases us from defensiveness and self-justification. The Gospel is good news because it meets the deepest needs of the human heart. This is where the real transformation of individuals and society is to be found.

+Richard

Postcards from Life raises almost £8,000 for St Michael's Hospice

Dozens of St Michael's Hospice supporters are now the proud owners of beautiful art after an annual auction reached an exciting finale.

When the hammer closed on the final Postcards from Life lot, more than £7,800 had been raised for the Bartestree-based Hospice.

This year's event saw the widest array of art in Postcards history, with well over 250 pieces submitted from some of the finest artists around.

The final few hours of the fortnight-long auction saw a flurry of bids with the top lot - a beautiful robin by Lin Gardner - fetching £155.

"Painting brings me joy as does helping others; to combine the two and also discover the amount raised on my little robin has really brought the biggest smile," said Lin.

Artists were invited to submit postcard-sized work with a free choice of subject matter. In total, 1,936 bids were cast, with bidders ranging from Herefordshire-based supporters to those as far away as the United States. Auctioneers Brightwells supported the bidding site and reported more than 10,500 views of the listing page.

"This year in particular, given all the pressures on people's finances, we are so grateful to those who bid during Postcards from Life," said event organiser, Gaynor Warren. "We hope the successful bidders will enjoy the art which is sure to brighten any room. Over the years, this auction has often been referred to as 'the small art with a big heart', which is fitting as the proceeds go straight towards our patient care. Thank you so much to everyone who bid."

The final figure includes generous sponsorship by Framing Workshop in Hereford. For the first time there was also a Postcards Trail at four venues across Hereford city centre where would-be bidders could glimpse the artwork in person.

To view the forthcoming St Michael's Hospice events in the run-up to Christmas, click here <https://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/events/>





Communion Service

Sunday 11th December
Sunday 8th January

11.30am

Carol Service TBC

Family Service
22nd January
10.00am

This is a reverent & informal service for the family of the Church. All are welcome. Coffee & tea served at the close of the service, offering a time to socialise.

Christmas Service

Sunday 25th December
10.00am



Castle Frome Dec 22 / Jan 23 News, Views & Muse

Unlucky for Some !

December 28th has been considered to be the unluckiest day of the year for thousands of years.

The origins of this superstition lie in the story of Christ, as it was reportedly on this day that the reigning king Herod ordered all baby boys to be put to death in an attempt to kill Jesus Christ.

Up until relatively recently, it was considered unlucky to start work, set sail on new ventures, or generally do anything on this day.

Which for me is quite apt as I have managed to get the day off from Work !!!

Wildlife in December

December is a time when the days are short, the nights are long and the temperatures cold. When you first look it may seem like the natural world has gone to sleep, look a little closer and you'll find that there's plenty to spot, from squirrels to vibrant winter birds, and from stoats to brown hares and Muntjac Deer.

With their small stature and the fact they lurk in dense undergrowth, muntjacs are often not always seen. But in winter, with the vegetation dying back it may improve your chances of a seeing some. The introduced deer – originally from south-east China – are most active around dawn and dusk. Look out for animals the size of a Collie, with a hunch-backed profile and tiny, hook-like antlers in males.



**Wishing everyone a Very Happy
Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.**



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ST. MARY'S CHURCH MUCH COWARNE

It was good to welcome friends from Ocle Pychard to our Remembrance Service this year when we especially remembered those from our two parishes who served and those who perished in both world wars. As we sang the National Anthem at the end of the service many of us also once again remembered the 70 years of dedicated service by the late queen.

Services and other events in December

Advent Quiet Hour and Evening Prayer, Sunday December 4th at 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join in this opportunity for quiet prayer and reflection on the Advent story, followed by Evening Prayer. Led by Rev. Richard Allaway

Burley Gate School Nativity Service, Tuesday December 6th, 10.00am in St Mary's. Although this is the school's Nativity service parents and all members of the community will be very welcome to join us. Led by Rev Stephen Baggs

Christmas Coffee Morning, Saturday December 10, 10.00am – 12.30pm in St Mary's This is a chance to meet and chat to others in the community whilst enjoying a drink and homemade refreshments, also to take the chance to browse our collection of books available for sale by donation. Any monies raised will be given to the branch of the Salvation Army in Hereford for their Christmas Homeless Persons Appeal.

Advent Matins Service, Sunday December 11, 10.00am. Our usual Matins service with hymns and readings for advent, led by Rev. Richard Allaway,

Carol Service, Sunday December 18, at 10.00am. We look forward to welcoming members and friends of the Parish to our annual Carol Service. Led by Rev. Richard Allaway. Mince Pies and Mulled wine as well as tea & coffee will be served after the service.

Christmas Day Holy Communion Service, Sunday December 25, at 10.00am. Everyone is welcome at this special service.

The PCC of St. Mary's Church, Much Cowarne would like to thank all those who have taken on an active part in some of our services this year; those who undertake regular voluntary tasks and those who have supported us during 2022 as we have tried to resume some of the activities which we were unable to arrange during the Covid pandemic. They also wish all our congregation and parishioners a Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Peaceful New Year.

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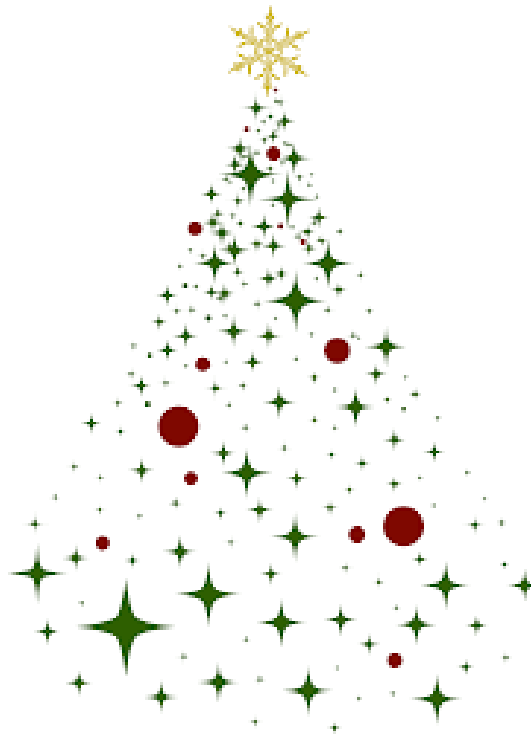
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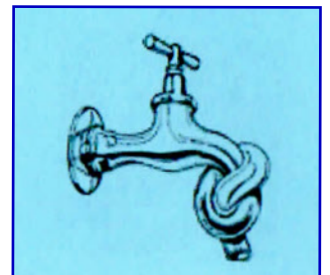
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Acton Beauchamp	6.00pm Carol Service SB				11.30am Holy Communion SB	Sunday 4 th Dec 6pm SB
Bishops Frome	10.00am High Mass SB	10.00am Holy Communion SB	10.00am High Mass SB	3pm Crib Service RA 11.30pm Midnight Mass SB		Tuesday 20 th Dec 7pm SB
Castle Frome		11.30am Holy Communion SB	4pm Carol Service SB		10am Holy Communion SB	Sunday 18 th Dec 4pm SB
Evesbatch						Thurs 22 nd Dec 6.30pm DW
Frome's Hill	10.00am Matins Lay Led		11.30am Holy Communion SB		10.00am Holy Communion Rev Trafford-Roberts	Friday 23 rd Dec 7pm SB
Much Cowarne	2.30pm Quiet Hour & Evening Prayer RA	10.00am Matins RA	10.00am Carol Service RA		10am Holy Communion RA	Sunday 18 th Dec 10am RA
Ocle Pychard				8pm 1 st Communion of Christmas RA		Friday 16 th Dec 7.30pm SB
Stanford Bishop				6.00pm Carol Service SB		Sat 24 th Dec 6pm SB
11.11.22	Advent 2 Purple Psalm 72:1-7, 18,19 Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12	Advent 3 Purple Psalm 146.4-10 James 5.7-10 Matthew 11.2-11	Advent 4 Purple Psalm 80.1-8,18- 20* Romans 1.1-7 Matthew 1.18-25	Christmas Eve Gold/ White Titus 2.11-14 Luke 2.1-20	Christmas Day Gold/ White Titus 2.11-14 Luke 2.1-20	

THE FROME VALLEY GROUP

JANUARY 2023

	1 st	8 th	15 th	22 nd	29 th
Acton Beauchamp	No Service				
Bishops Frome	10.00am High Mass SB	10.00am Holy Communion SB	10.00am High Mass SB/RA	10.00am Holy Communion SB	
Castle Frome		11.30am Holy Communion SB		10.00am Family Service Lay Led	
Evesbatch					
Fromes Hill	10.00am Matins TBC		11.30am Holy Communion RA		
Much Cowarne		10.00am Matins RA		10.00am Holy Communion RA	10.00 Group Holy Communion RA
Ocle Pychard					
Stanford Bishop					
	Naming and circumcision of Jesus White Psalm 8 Galatians 4.4- 7 Luke 2.15-21	Epiphany Gold/ White Psalm 72.10-15 Ephesians 3.1-12 Matthew 2.1-12	Epiphany 2 White Psalm 40.1-12 1 Corinthians 1.1-9 John 1.29-42	Epiphany 3 Psalm 27.1,4-12* 1 Corinthians 1.10-18 Matthew 4.12-23	Candlemas Gold/ White Psalm 24.7-10 Hebrews 2.14-18 Luke 2.22-40

11.11.22



FROM THE REGISTERS

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Weddings

The Wedding of Lucy Jayne Pilliner and Daniel Luke Watkins took place on 15th November 2022 at St Mary the Virgin, Bishops Frome.

Funerals

The Funeral Anthony Robert Brown who died on 24th September 2022, aged 79 years, took place on 20th October 2022 at St Mary the Virgin, Much Cowarne.

The Burial of Ashes of David Stubbs took place on 2nd November 2022 at St James the Great, Ocle Pychard.

The Burial of Ashes of Brian Ballard took place on 3rd November 2022 at St Giles, Acton Beauchamp.

The Funeral of Beryl Coralena Frayling who died on 22nd October 2022, aged 79 years, took place on 11th November 2022 at St Mary the Virgin, Bishops Frome .

May They Rest in Peace.

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Dec 18 th	Moyra	Liz
Dec 25 th	Lucy	Maureen
Jan 1 st	Sarah	Moyra
Jan 8 th	Maureen	TBA
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Jan 29 th	TBA	Group Service
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- Board Games, 2-4pm 5 Dec/9 Jan
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Last one 16/12, back Friday 6 Jan

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- Fit for Life, 3-4pm, Dec 6 & 13, then 10 Jan
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- Kazuko Kick Boxing, 7pm, 07495 427 993

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Friday

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