

# THE LINK

The Magazine of The Knightley Parishes



December 2020

Badby ☘ Newnham ☘ Charwelton ☘ Fawsley ☘ Preston Capes

## THE KNIGHTLEY PARISHES

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### Services for December 2020

[All details are provisional and dependent on Covid restrictions]

	6 December I Advent 2	12/13 December II Advent 3	20 December III Advent 4	24 December CHRISTMAS EVE	25 December CHRISTMAS	27 December V Christmas 1
Badby	11:00 Morning Advent Service CW	11:00 Family Christmas Service	18:00 Carols by Candlelight		11:00 Christmas Holy Communion	11:00  United Benefice Service  at  Badby
Newnham		18:00 Carol Service		19:30 Christmas Service		
Charwelton	09:30 Morning Prayer BCP (Church)	<b>12 Dec</b> 17:00 Carols by Candlelight (Church)			09:30 Christmas Holy Communion BCP (Church)	
Fawsley			15:00 Christmas Service			
Preston Capes	09:30 Said Morning Prayer BCP [LB]	09:30 Ante- Communion CW		17:00 Christmas Service		

### OTHER SERVICES

Saturday 12 December 5.00pm Charwelton Carol Service

Tuesday 22 December 6.30 pm Badby ESOW

## SUNDAY READINGS

### Principal Service CW

- for other services see Lectionary

Date	Feast	Page*	Year	OT †	NT	Gospel
6 Dec	Advent 2	7	B	Isa 40, 1-11	2 Pet 3, 8-15a	Mark 1, 1-8
13 Dec	Advent 3	14	B	Isa 61, 1-4 & 8-end	1 Thess 5, 16-24	John 1, 6-8 & 19-28
20 Dec	Advent 4	19	B	2 Sam 7, 1-11 & 16	Rom 16, 25-end	Luke 1, 26-38
24/25 Dec	CHRISTMAS	26	B	Isa 52, 7-10	Heb 1, 1-4	John 1, 1-14
27 Dec	Christmas 1	34	B	Isa 61.10 - 62, 3	Gal 4, 4-7	Luke 2, 15-21
3 Jan	Epiphany	46	B	Isa 60, 1-6	Eph 3, 1-12	Matt 2, 1-12

- NOTES: 1. \*These page numbers refer to "The Word of the Lord", a copy of which will be available in your church. All the readings in that book are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.  
 2. †The Old Testament readings during Trinity will be from Track 2 of Common Worship  
 3. At non-communion services the second reading should normally be the Gospel.

## FROM THE REGISTERS



### IN MEMORIAM

from Newnham  
on 13th. November  
at Banbury Crematorium  
David Cooke  
*[by Revd Sue Faulkner]*

at Badby  
on 12th. November  
Mary Elizabeth Hodges  
(followed by interment in Badby Cemetery)  
*[by Revd Sue Faulkner]*

at Badby  
on 11th. November  
(followed by cremation at Rainsbrook Crematorium)  
Gillian Betty Goodenough (née Blundell)  
*[by Revd Malcolm Ingham]*

*Grant them peace,  
and let light perpetual shine upon them*

## EDITORIAL

We go to press before the end of Lockdown Mk.2 and before there has been any announcement as to what Covid restrictions we might be under for December and Christmas.

Please therefore take any mention of services, other functions, dates etc. with a pinch of salt and be aware that some of them (possibly all of them) may not happen, or be subject to alteration. The churches in the 5 villages will make every effort to keep you informed, but if in doubt please consult one of the parish officers - contact details are on page 19.

Please also continue to support our local businesses, especially the pubs, as they are subject again to severe restrictions on their operations, possibly continuing for some time to come

But in the meantime... a....



...to all our readers.

David

## PUZZLE CORNER

Robin Baker continues to delight us with his Sudoku puzzles for which we are very grateful.

Puzzle 15

2	6	1						3
			6		4			8
			3	1	2			6
	9	3	4		7	1	8	
	5	7	1		3	6	9	
3			5	4	1			
8			7		6			
5						3	4	1

Rating: Mild

Puzzle No 16

4						9	7	8
			6		7	4	2	3
8	3	7		4	5			2
9	1		8			9		
	5	8	4		2			
7	2	4						6

Rating: Difficult

And for Christmas - a Super Difficult one....!!

MORE DIFFICULT

Puzzle

7		6		1	8		5	
	8			5			2	
		5	8		2			1
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9		7			6	3		4
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The solutions to this month's puzzles will be found on page 12.

## THE RECTOR'S LETTER

**B**ack in October I baked the Christmas cake and steamed the pudding (I'm very domesticated like that!) all in preparation for Christmas Day. But it is so hard to plan this year isn't it? Will we be all together as a big family, or just a few of us? Will we be wishing one-another a Happy Christmas over Zoom or will we be on our own?

Of course, many people are on their own every year but this year it feels as though a lot more of us will be lonely but that need not be the case now, or ever. Don't get me wrong, I'm not talking about breaking Lockdown rules or government restrictions, no, first of all I want to direct your thoughts back to the last couple of articles that I have written for the Link.

Two months ago, I reminded us that in the Bible an angel appears to Joseph and tells him that Mary will give birth to Jesus and he will be called Emmanuel which means "God with us". Secondly, last month we were thinking about the future when "God moves into the neighbourhood" but also reminding ourselves that Jesus came to be with us, to live as one of us, to know what it is like to be full of joy and wonder but also sorrow and abandonment. Ultimately, he died and rose again so that through faith in him we could be with God forever.

You see, this is really Good News in a Coronavirus-Christmas, it reminds us that we are actually never truly alone, that through faith in Jesus we have "God with us".

Now let that sink in – it's pretty spectacular, isn't it?



It's tempting this year to batten down the hatches, close the doors, draw the blinds and cancel Christmas, to write it off and tell ourselves that we will have a "proper" one next year. But wait, don't do that – buy in the turkey or nut roast, bake the mince pies, make sure you have your favourite tippie, put up the tree, hang the decorations and make sure your home is full of sparkle, light and life – even if you are on your own. Why? Because this year,

God is coming to spend Christmas with you. You will not be alone, you will never be alone and God loves to celebrate his love for you when he is with you.

But then perhaps you can do something practical. Perhaps you could "bubble" with someone who will be on their own. Perhaps you could give them a ring on Christmas Day, or pop a little present on their doorstep and ring the bell. Perhaps restrictions will be lifted and you can bring a little light and life into each other's homes.

If you can, we would also love you to come and join us at one of our live services to rejoice in this wonderful news, but if you can't or you are still unsure about gathering together, that's fine; there will be Christmas services for our villages available on our new website at [www.knightleybenefice.org.uk](http://www.knightleybenefice.org.uk)

It is going to be different this Christmas, but it is still going to be Christmas, let's not forget that for one moment.

*Malcolm*

## BENEFICE PAGE

### WELCOME TO THE KNIGHTLEY BENEFICE

All Saints' Day saw our new Rector taking his first service in the Benefice. That was in Charwelton and although because of Covid restrictions the number attending was not large, and not at all on the scale we would normally have expected for a new incumbent, Malcolm conducted a splendid service and he and Liz received a very warm welcome.



### EVENING SERVICE OF THE WORD

This service is held once a month on the Tuesday evening following the third Sunday, at 6.30pm via Zoom until further notice. Led in turn by some of those who attend, there is always a brief talk about somebody inspirational. All are welcome to participate. If you are not already on the access list, please contact Gill Nelson via email [gillian.nelson@talktalk.net](mailto:gillian.nelson@talktalk.net) Next dates are December 22 and January 19.

### CAROL SERVICES

Carol services of one form or another have been arranged for the following dates and places:

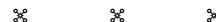
**Charwelton** Saturday 12th. December at 5.00pm in Church  
**Newnham** Sunday 13 December at 6.00pm  
**Badby** Sunday 20th. December at 6.00pm

### ON-LINE SERVICES

During the time when we are not able to hold services in the Churches, the Rector will be recording some on-line services which will be available each Sunday (and for the following week) using the link [www.knightleybenefice.org.uk](http://www.knightleybenefice.org.uk)

### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

At the virtual AGM it was agreed that a meeting will be convened next May to establish a way forward with the aim of widening the appeal to gardeners and garden lovers and to create a group for planning events.



## PARISH NOTICES

### BADBY

Correspondent - Geoff Pullin ([gcsspullin@yahoo.com](mailto:gcsspullin@yahoo.com))

### SERVICES IN DECEMBER AT ST. MARY'S

Over the last few months it has not been possible to be in church very often, but we are hoping to change all that in December. We are planning a morning service in St. Mary's on Sunday, December 6 at 11am and the following week, on Sunday, December 13, a Family Christmas service, also at 11am. On the Sunday before Christmas, December 20, we hope to celebrate Carols by Candlelight at 6pm. We

expect this might be a popular event and will quickly reach the limit allowed, so you are asked to book your place by ringing Judy Jordan on 07752 384969. Between these two services, there will be a **Nativity Trail** for families (and anyone else) to download from our website so that you can follow a route around the village, crack a code and discover more about Christmas!

On Christmas Day we hope to be able to celebrate Holy Communion at 11am – when did we last hold a Communion service? – and, on Sunday, December 27, a United Benefice Service is planned to take place at Badby at 11am.

For all the obvious reasons a physical Christmas service would be difficult or even impossible this year, so Malcolm will record an online version which will be available via the usual link for one week. In this way children (and others!) can make their own Christmas and share in the fun. Instructions will be available.

So a busy December is planned and we all look forward to your joining in the celebrations.

#### GIFTS FOR THE WOMEN'S REFUGE

It has been our practice for some years to give to the Women's Refuge in Northampton at Christmas. We shall be very glad to receive a present, wrapped and labelled with the gender and age of child it is suitable for, and brought to church at either the December 13 or 20 services. If you prefer to buy something for a mother instead that would also be really appreciated.

#### CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING

Thanks go to Karen Alexander and Liz Hudson for decorating the Church with poppies for Remembrance. Jackie will send out emails to her team about decorating for Christmas when arrangements after this lockdown become clear.

#### CHURCH CLEANING IN DECEMBER

It is hoped that it will be possible to clean St Mary's in readiness for Christmas. Wednesday, December 16, when the church is open for private prayer, is the suggested date. However this will depend on the Government's regulations after this current period of lockdown. Gill Nelson will be in touch with cleaners directly the situation is clarified.

#### ROOF REPAIR PROJECT

A Faculty was granted by the Chancellor of the Diocese on November 9 giving permission for the work to take place. A week later we were delighted to receive a grant pledge of £5,000 from the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust (the Ride and Stride organisers). Only £42,950 to go!

#### FOOD BANK

Please continue to do what you can by leaving your donations in the box in the church porch to boost stocks for Christmas.

#### BADBY & FAWLSLEY W.I.

The Christmas meeting will not be held in the village hall this year due, of course, to COVID-19, so no turkey, no Secret Santa, no quiz. Instead we will be holding a Zoom meeting. So prepare yourselves for a BINGO session and a bit of fun, and to raise a glass of your favourite tittle with us all on Thursday, December 10 at 7.30pm. Details for Zoom will be issued nearer the date. For further information contact Ann Skinner on 01327 871597.

#### CRICKET CLUB

Whilst the second national lockdown has effectively postponed the club's winter fund-raising schedule, hopes remain high that restrictions can soon be lifted and dates put in the diary for the annual presentation night and AGM.

Some club fund raising has been taking place in the form of a weekly on-line sporting predictor event organised by captain Charlie Ashmore. Club members are invited to predict the outcome of several weekend sporting events with the entrant getting the most right winning half the week's stakes and the rest going to club funds.

The event is open to all the local community so if you want to have some fun and support your local cricket club go to: [https://www.facebook.com/Badby-Farthingstone-Cric-Club-334122073956380/?ref=py\\_c](https://www.facebook.com/Badby-Farthingstone-Cric-Club-334122073956380/?ref=py_c)

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#### NEWNHAM

Correspondent - Ellen Henning  
(ellen.henning@hotmail.co.uk)

#### DAVID COOKE

Having bravely endured a number of health issues over the past four years, David finally lost his battle in the early hours of Sunday 25th October, shortly after his 80th birthday.

David was born on 3rd August 1940 at Farnworth on the outskirts of Bolton. After leaving Bolton Technical College he commenced an apprenticeship in the building trade, before joining the Prison Service in 1971. He worked initially at Lowden Grange, a Borstal near Nottingham, before transferring to Onley where he continued to instruct inmates in construction, joinery and other DIY skills. David was a keen sports person, having won a number of prestigious golf tournaments, and was an active member of Daventry Bowls Club.

With his wife Ivy he became very involved in village life. He was a parish councillor for many years and for a while acted as school caretaker. He learnt to ring the church bells, supported Ivy on the Village Hall Committee and the PCC, and was always willing to help in no matter what capacity.

He had an excellent singing voice and very much enjoyed participating in Rev Sue's little singing group. He was also a keen member of Daventry and District Probus Club.

Only family and close friends could attend his funeral, but approx. 80 people lined the roadside in Thornton Close and Bradbury Road to pay their respects to one of Newnham's true gentlemen.

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers, Ivy, their two sons, David (junior) and his wife Siri, Chris, and his wife Nicola, and their two granddaughters Lucy and Holly.

We have all lost a true friend and will miss him dearly.

#### REMEMBRANCE

Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions we were unable to hold our traditional Service of Remembrance. Rev Malcolm had prepared a new

service and everything was in place before Boris intervened on the preceding Thursday. However a number of villagers attended the War Memorial for the two minute silence and to lay wreaths.

#### CHURCH PORCH

The church remains open for quiet reflection and prayer, - please observe government guidelines. Please continue to leave food items and toiletries in the box in the porch, they are regularly taken to the Food Bank in Daventry, where the demand remains high.

#### SANTA'S LOST HIS CLOTHES...

Following the fun of the village Halloween trail, can you help Santa find his clothes around Newnham before his sleigh departs on Christmas Eve? On Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th December, hunt sheets will be available on the drive of Dunglass House on School Hill. There will be prizes too! Come along anytime that weekend and help yourself. Please use the sanitiser provided.

#### FATHER CHRISTMAS IS COMING TO NEWNHAM!

Covid restrictions permitting, Santa is fully booked on the 12th December, hopefully we will be able to welcome him.

The rainbow board in the church porch is now ready for Christmas messages and any letters to Father Christmas.

#### NEWNHAM VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

Winners in the November draw were  
£50 Prize No. 5. Mr & Mrs M Payne  
£25 Prize No 116 Mrs G Kirkwood  
£25 Prize No. 39 Mr D Maddock

Sadly it will be impossible to hold the usual 200 Club party this year, but the draw for the three £100 prizes will take place as usual. Subscriptions for 2021 will soon be due and remain at £18 for the year which can be paid in full or in part (cash or cheque to Newnham Village Hall.) Your collector would find it most helpful this year if you could deliver the sub to her home. Subscriptions are always available at this time of year and new members would be very welcome. Contact Anne 01327 702039.

Income from the 200 Club is even more important in current circumstances so thank you again to all members for your support.  
Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to everyone.

#### CHRISTMAS LIGHTS/DECORATIONS

We'd love to see our beautiful village lit up and decorated in time for the Santa hunt weekend above. If you are able to string a few lights outside your house or in your windows it would be very much appreciated by the children, and us all. The church roof is now finished and the chancel redecorated. As a thank you for such a wonderful fundraising effort, the church will be offering prizes under the following categories: Best Inflatable(s), Best House, Best Garden, and Most Imaginative. Our new Rector Revd. Malcolm will be judging during the week commencing 21st Dec. Happy decorating!

#### WI

Newnham WI has no plans for the foreseeable future to return to monthly meetings. We hope that once the Covid 19 vaccinations are eventually rolled out we will be able to meet up again and so this has given us a glimmer of hope.

I therefore would like to wish all the readers of the Link magazine, a safe and healthy Christmas and look forward to a brighter New Year.



#### CHARWELTON

Correspondent - David Pound  
(davidpound1939@talktalk.net)

Chapel cleaning	
December	June Pound
January	Fiona Spencer

#### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The village marked Remembrance Day in the normal way with our usual ceremony at the War Memorial where around 20 gathered - suitably distanced of course. "In Flanders' Field" was read followed by the Roll Call and then the Last Post and Reveille from

the band of the Coldstream Guards. Wreaths were laid by the Chairman of the Parish Meeting on behalf of the village, and by the Churchwarden on behalf of the church, with some crosses placed by others. The ceremony concluded with the Kohima Epitaph and the National Anthem, again from the Coldstream Guards.

#### SAPPHIRE WEDDING

On 12th. November Nyron & Marina Wyatt celebrated their 65th. wedding anniversary having been married on that date in 1955. We offer them our most hearty congratulations on that magnificent achievement

#### CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES

Fiona Spencer would like to offer many thanks to all those who gave to the Children's Society this year, the total raised was £322.96.

#### 100 CLUB

The winners of the November draw were Caitlin & Corin Williams with ticket No. 75. Congratulations to you both.

If you have not renewed your membership of the 100 Club Gordon Bird or Graham White will be very pleased to hear from you and to collect your £12 per ticket. So if you are not already a member and would like to have the chance of winning £50 each month please let us know. Your support will be most welcome at this difficult financial time.

#### DO DIFFERENT ...

I expect everyone is fed up with things not being 'normal' but maybe it's a chance to do things differently, to try out new ideas and maybe discover new talents.

#### WREATH MAKING

The first difference is that the **holly wreaths** will have to be made in a different, Covid-compliant way: more of a cottage industry than a production line. If you'd like to join in this activity - and maybe discover new talents in grappling with prickly holly - you're not too late. Please contact Penny Cory (700550).

#### CAROL SERVICE

The second and third differences are that the **Carol Service** is going to be on a different day of the week, **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, and at a different time - **5pm**. But although we won't be able to sing the carols (fifth difference!) there will be music, readings and illumination **by candlelight** (sixth difference). If ever there was a church that lent itself to carols by candlelight it's Holy Trinity, so do come and enjoy this experience with us. Unfortunately, distancing requirements limit us to 30 attendees so, if you don't want to miss out on what will undoubtedly be a truly magical experience, please reserve a place with Norman Blenkhorn (260650) normanblenkhorn@gmail.com.

One thing we are *not* doing differently this year is collecting presents for **Northamptonshire Domestic Abuse Service**. For well over 25 years it has been our habit to invite those attending to bring along a wrapped present or presents to be laid under the Christmas tree during the service. These are then distributed to the Northamptonshire Domestic Abuse Service (formerly known as the Women's Aid Refuges). Your generosity has been outstanding, and in recent years we have been able to pass on up to 200 gifts a year which are always most gratefully received. We do not propose to allow that custom to fall, and whatever the circumstances we ask you to continue to support this most worthy cause.

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A further casualty (7th. difference) will be the delicious sausage rolls, mince pies and mulled wine which we are usually able to serve, but wait for next year!

Collections at the Christmas services will be divided between the Children's Society and Katherine House Hospice.

We don't want to leave the Chapel out of the festivities, neither do we want the Bingo Evening Christmas tree to remain boxed until next year, so

the latter will be dusted off and put in the window of the former to provide festive cheer to all who pass by. It will also add a backlight to another surprise but you'll have to wait and see what that is.



#### FAWSLEY

Correspondent - Vacant

#### CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Our special Christmas Service will be on the 20th December at 3pm. Despite Covid-19 we will still be lighting as many candles as we can manage to provide a festive atmosphere.

As numbers will be restricted so that social distance can be maintained, please can you email v.j.baker@outlook.com or call 01327 361585 to be sure of a seat.

#### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Fawsley Christmas Cards are now available. When Fawsley Hall Hotel reopens they will be available to buy from reception and you can also get them from Lakes Rise, Fawsley (01327 361585). They cost £3.50 for a pack of 5 or £10 for 3 packs.



#### PRESTON CAPES

Correspondent - Gerard Hoare

	Reader	Sidesman	Cleaning
6 Dec	Mireya Weaver	Peter Smith	Anabel Lewis-Bowen
24 Dec	Luke Bridgeman	Gerard Hoare Heather Wilson	
3 Jan	Heather Wilson	Claire Hoare	

#### FLOWER ROTA

ADVENT – no flowers until the 21st December, then flowers for Christmas, see below.

## CHRISTINGLE AND CAROL SERVICE

We very much regret that owing to the pandemic and time of year it will not be possible to hold Christingle and Carol services this Christmas, (which would both have to be out of doors).

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 2020

This year our one special Festival service will be held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00pm.

This will hopefully be an occasion for our new Rector Malcolm Ingham to meet as many parishioners as possible.

Everything will be subject to the Corona regulations at the time. We hope for recorded music and the usual fine decorations. Everyone, including children of all ages, will be very welcome.

**Owing to distancing requirements please advise Claire Hoare of your intention to attend and numbers in your bubble as church capacity is very restricted. Masks must be worn. Claire Hoare uses [caghoare@gmail.com](mailto:caghoare@gmail.com)**

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND FLOWER ROTA

Please can Christmas flowers be done between 21st and 24<sup>th</sup> of December, and could the existing flower arrangers please do their usual places, (or let Claire know they cannot) and then all extra offers can be fitted in too.

Claire will shortly be doing the flower Rota for 2021; are there any willing flower arrangers out there who would like to join the team for next year? All it requires, after whatever explanations can be given, is a designated three Sunday stint, and an arrangement for Festivals; Christmas, Easter and Harvest. New helpers are always welcome, and can get experience as a 'shadow'. Please 'phone and discuss. Tel. Claire Hoare 361263.

## TOWCESTER FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS 2020

Our own Scilla Smith is a volunteer at Towcester and reports on the problems seen there. Please can we all help to support the Towcester Food Bank? Christmas is a joyous time for most families, but there are exceptions for others. This year has seen severe problems, with so much hardship as a result of business closures, furloughing, unemployment

and direct impacts of the virus and time off work. Food banks are essential for many and desperately need your support.

Please would you donate generously with Christmas in mind?

Suggestions include, chocolate money for children, crackers, beef or chicken pies in a tin, and mince pies, etc. Everything non-perishable is appreciated by the food bank and the people who receive it are so grateful.

The collection box is in the Church porch. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Queries please to Scilla Smith. [scillasmith@gmail.com](mailto:scillasmith@gmail.com) BACS details available.

## CHRISTMAS WREATHS AVAILABLE!

We support Debs Jones' enterprise and she is taking orders, please contact her without delay on [deborahjones2@btinternet.com](mailto:deborahjones2@btinternet.com)

## BOOK CLUB INITIATIVE

Preston Capes Village Hall are delighted to launch it's very own Book Club with its first meeting to be held on Tuesday 12th January 2020 at 7.30pm. Venue is to be confirmed, but if you would like to register your interest, please contact Debbie Cox on 07773 017523 or email [info@debbiecox.co.uk](mailto:info@debbiecox.co.uk). The first book we will be discussing is The Beekeeper's Promise by Fiona Valpy.

## PCC MEETING

The first meeting of 2021 will be held on Friday 29th January at 1600.

## BYFIELD MEDICAL PRACTICE NEWS

Appointments for 'flu vaccination are now available, but please, if you cannot attend, do others a favour and pick up the phone to cancel or postpone.

Byfield Medical Centre will be closed on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2020 and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021. Our opening times will remain the same for rest of December and January.

1461 patients are in the category 50-64 which the government says will be able to be vaccinated against Covid this year. It seems unlikely that these vaccinations will happen before the beginning of

December and more likely into the New Year. They are subject to the government obtaining enough vaccines, and key workers, the very elderly and those with other conditions will take priority.

## VILLAGE HALL

Unfortunately, at the time of writing we don't know what the situation will be after the end of this lockdown so we have no events arranged for December, but we hope this will change and we can celebrate Christmas somehow.

However we have an exciting new project planned for the New Year, see the Book Club details elsewhere.

December will also see the last of this year's 100 Club draws. We still have running costs to cover even when the hall is not used so if you would like tickets for 2021, to help towards this please contact Rachel Bracher (Holly House, or [Rachel.a.bracher@gmail.com](mailto:Rachel.a.bracher@gmail.com)). £12 buys one ticket with the chance to win £25, £15 or £10 in each monthly draw in 2021. To keep your lucky numbers contact Rachel asap.



## DIARY

This diary records the proposed dates of any benefice, parish or village events. We hope that this will help those planning such events to know what else is going on and therefore be able to avoid any unhelpful clashes of dates.

If you know, or become aware, of events which ought to be recorded please let David Pound, or your village Link correspondent, know.

Events known about so far are:

**December**  
1/2/3/4/5 Charwelton wreath making

**2021**  
**January**  
6 Newnham PCC

**March**  
3 Newnham PCC

**May**  
5 Newnham PCC

**July**  
7 Newnham PCC

**September**  
1 September

**November**  
3 Newnham PCC



## SODOKU SOLUTIONS

Solution No 15

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4	5	7	1	8	3	6	2
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8	1	4	7	3	6	5	2
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Solution No 16

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## Super-difficult Christmas Solution

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### Parish Council Meeting.

The next parish council meeting will be held via the internet on Monday December 7th at 7.30pm. Meeting details will be on the notice boards.

### Village Hall

The Village Hall still remains closed until further notice.

### Traffic calming

A second Vehicle Speed Activated sign has been purchased and will be 'up' soon.

### First Aid Training

Due to the village hall closure, this is 'on hold'. The proposed First Aid training, when it commences, would deal with CPR, recovery position and bleeds.

### New Handy Person.

There is a new handy person whom you might see working around the parish. His name is Darron, so if you see him around go over and introduce yourself.

### Remembrance Day.

The wreath from the parishioners was laid by two children from the village. Social distancing was observed throughout, and there were almost 30 attendees present.

### Village signage.

A village entrance sign for the Preston Capes Road approach will be erected soon.

### Christmas Tree.

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