

# *Church News*

**November 2021**



**Christ Church**  
Rothley Road  
Mountsorrel  
LE12 7JU

**St Peter's Church**  
Market Place  
Mountsorrel  
LE12 7BA



## Services at Christ Church & St. Peter's Church

Date	Time	Service	Venue
Monday 1 November	7.00pm	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
Sunday 7 November	9.30am	Matins*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Fun@4	Christ Church
Sunday 14 November	9.30am	Holy Communion + Act of Remembrance*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	All Age Sunday Worship + Act of Remembrance	Christ Church
	3.00pm	Remembrance Service	St. Peter's
	4.30pm	Senior Sunday	St. Peter's
Sunday 21 November	11.00am	Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing	Christ Church
	6.00pm	Evensong*	St. Peter's
Sunday 28 November	9.30am	All Age Matins	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
Sunday 5 December	9.30am	Matins*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Morning Prayer with Thanksgiving	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Fun@4	Christ Church
Monday 6 December	7.00pm	Carol Service amongst the Trees	Christ Church

*\* Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer*

## Morning Prayer at Christ Church and online, 9am

**Tuesday \* Wednesday \* Thursday\* Friday**

**Meeting ID: 786 8201 8817**

**Passcode: 032244**

**Please Note: No Morning Prayer from Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November Inclusive.**

I wonder if you are a regular user of a dictionary? I read this week that almost one hundred revised and new entries and senses have been added to the Oxford English Dictionary in their October 2021 special update, including *climate crisis*, *extreme weather*, and *mass extinction*.



Words can change their meaning; and, in different contexts, can have polar opposite definitions. For example, the word 'bad' has the definition: '*of poor quality; unfavourable; adverse*' as well as '*Informal: good; excellent*'. No wonder we sometimes get confused. Put together in a story, poem or song, words have the power to bring adventure and excitement, love and passion, fear and horror. Words can bring us to laughter as well as to tears and sometimes both at the same time.

Words can be used to leak sensitive information to the press but also to secure sensitive information in the form of passwords. There is even a daily changing password for after-hours entry to the Tower of London, used by Tower staff, residents and the soldiers on duty

We all use words in various ways. Sometimes our words are encouraging and uplifting; sometimes we use words that are hurtful and bring division. James writing to the early Christians reminds us of the importance of using our words wisely.

*"Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. ... The tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. ... [it] is a world of evil among the parts of the body. ... It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be."* (James 3)

As one who is equally guilty of sometimes speaking without due care, may I encourage you to think carefully about the words you use when communicating with others so that we build one another up in love. You may

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like to use this verse from the psalms in prayer as you ask God for help in speaking well:

*“May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock, and my Redeemer.” (Psalm 19.14)*

With love and blessing,

*Colin Resch*

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## Diary Dates

### **Monday 1 November**

- 9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.
- 1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.
- 7.00pm All Saints' Holy Communion Service at St. Peter's.

### **Wednesday 3 November**

- 8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 16.
- 7.30pm Fellowship Group at The Vicarage.

### **Friday 5 November**

- 10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.
- 7:15pm Christianity Explored Course at Christ Church.

### **Monday 8 November**

- 9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.
- 1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

### **Tuesday 9 November**

- 7.30pm Just4Ladies at Christ Church, see page 16.

### **Wednesday 10 November**

- 8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 16.

### **Friday 12 November**

- 10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

### **Monday 15 November**

- 9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church
- 1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

### **Wednesday 17 November**

- 8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 16
- 7.30pm Fellowship Group at The Vicarage.



# Diary Dates (Cont'd)

## **Wednesday 17 November**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 16

7.30pm Fellowship Group at The Vicarage.

## **Friday 19 November**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

## **Monday 22 November**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

## **Wednesday 24 November**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 16.

## **Friday 26 November**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

## **Monday 29 November**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

# Diary Dates for December

## **Wednesday 1 December**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 16.

7.30pm Fellowship Group at The Vicarage.

## **Friday 3 December**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

10.00am - 5.00pm: Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church, see page 13.

## **Saturday 4 December**

10.00am - 4.00pm: Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church, see page 13.

## **Sunday 5 December**

1.00pm - 3.30pm: Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church (*after Church service*).

## **Monday 6 December**

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

7.00pm Carols amongst the Trees at Christ Church, led by the Ladies of Christ Church & St. Peter's.

## **Wednesday 8 December**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 16.

## **Friday 10 December**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.



**Starting Rite** is a baby-centred course run over 5 weeks for mum's or dad's and babies who aren't yet on the move. It includes lots of fun activities - singing, storytelling, bathing, baby-touch, and other multi-sensory play.

There are 5 sessions:

**Peek-a-boo!** - We use different material to hide our faces while singing peek-a-boo songs to our babies. This session talks about how we can know God.

**How Much Love!** - We do lots of baby-touch. This session is all about God's love for us.

**Splash!** We splash around in water and look at lights inside a tent. Here we talk about baptism.

**Bubble-talk!** - We blow bubbles to our babies and roll beach balls around to each other. We learn about prayer.

**Storytime!** - Three bible stories are acted out; we get to play with pebbles, sand, material, and toy sheep. This is about reading the bible.

We are hoping to run a course after on Wednesday mornings, if you are interested to find out more or sign up, please contact Alison White (Children & Family Worker) you can call, text or WhatsApp on 07305 664009 or email at:

[alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com](mailto:alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com)



## Mission Partners

At St Peter's and Christ Church we support a number of different Christian Charities that work in this country and abroad to improve the lives of others and show them God's love and compassion.

Over the next few months I am going to share with you some of the work each of these charities have been undertaking and some ideas of how you can support them in prayer.

This month's charity is:



World Vision help children caught up in emergencies, living in extreme poverty and facing abuse and exploitation.

In 1947 Bob Pierce gave the last \$5 he had in his pocket to care for a Chinese girl that had been abandoned. Bob felt that giving his last \$5 was not enough and that he needed to get more people involved for a long-term solution with more impact so in 1950 he founded World Vision.

World Vision from its beginning in Oregon, USA, focusing on emergencies in East Asia, is now working in nearly 100 countries worldwide and is the largest Christian international non-governmental organisation.

Their focus is on helping the most vulnerable children in the most difficult places overcome poverty and experience a full life. Inspired by their Christian faith they help children of all faiths, and none. They believe to make happy and fulfilling childhoods takes the whole community and they work with the whole community to achieve this.

They tackle poverty at its roots and work with communities to ensure long term change, so progress continues after they leave. Their integrated approach includes clean water, healthcare, education, child protection, and income generation.

Their aim is to allow every child to fulfil their God-given potential.

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The work of World Vision can be supported by sponsoring a child or buying a charity gift as a present that will help others. Over a number of years, we as a church have supported World Vision by donating money, saved by not sending each other Christmas cards, to buy coats and blankets for vulnerable children.

Here are some things that you can pray for:

- Pray for Children in Syria, who have been caught up in the war there. Pray for peace and for the children's suffering to end.
- Pray for Children in South Sudan where 6 million people are facing extreme hunger.
- Pray for Rohingya Children refugees. Pray for safety and peace.

You can find out more about the work of World Vision including more prayer resources and details of other ways you can support them at:

<https://www.worldvision.org.uk/>

Liz Resch

Mission Co-ordinator at Christ Church



## Trees instead of Christmas Cards

**Please consider not sending cards to each other this Christmas. Instead, leave a Christmas message on the display that will be put in Church and put a donation in the box.**

**With every £7 collected we can gift through World Vision mango, avocado and papaya seedlings to start a tree nursery that could provide fresh, sweet food for many years to come.**



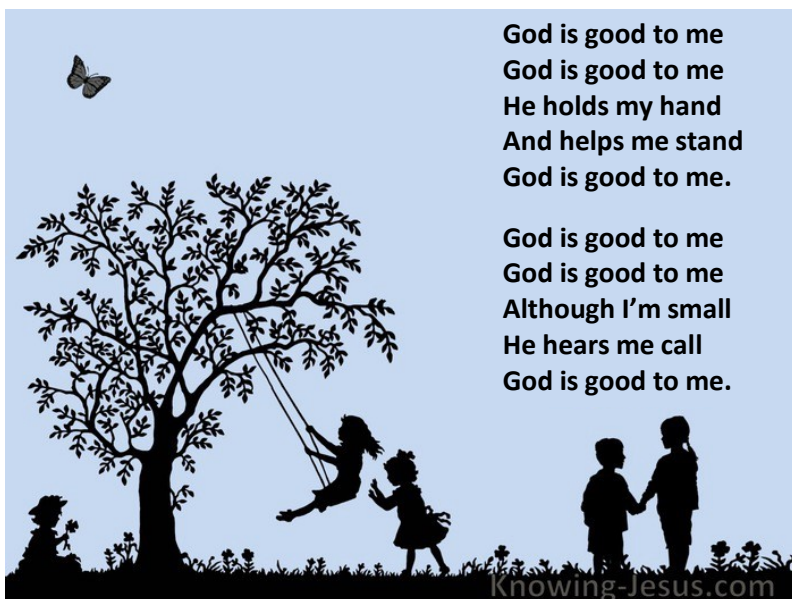
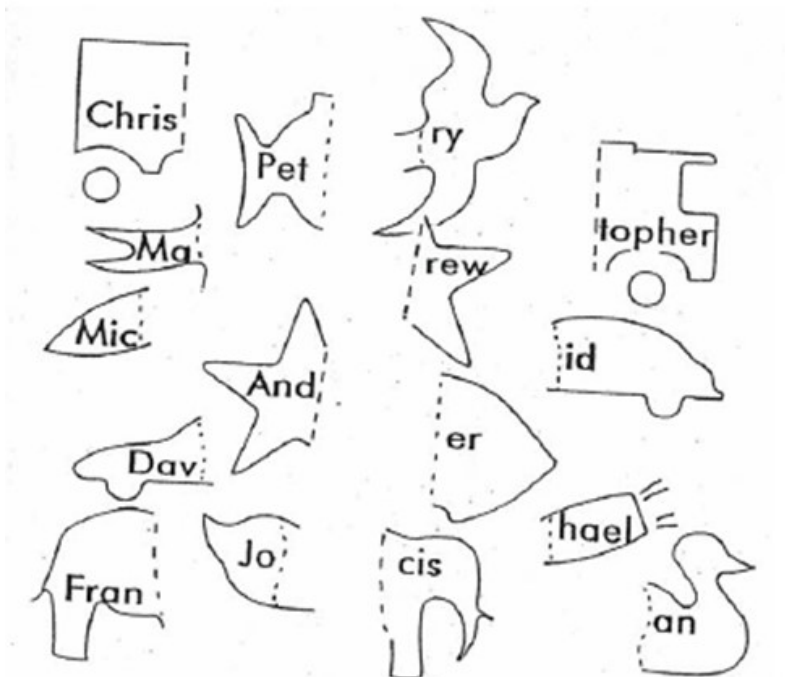


# Children's Page

## All Saints' Day and Remembrance Sunday

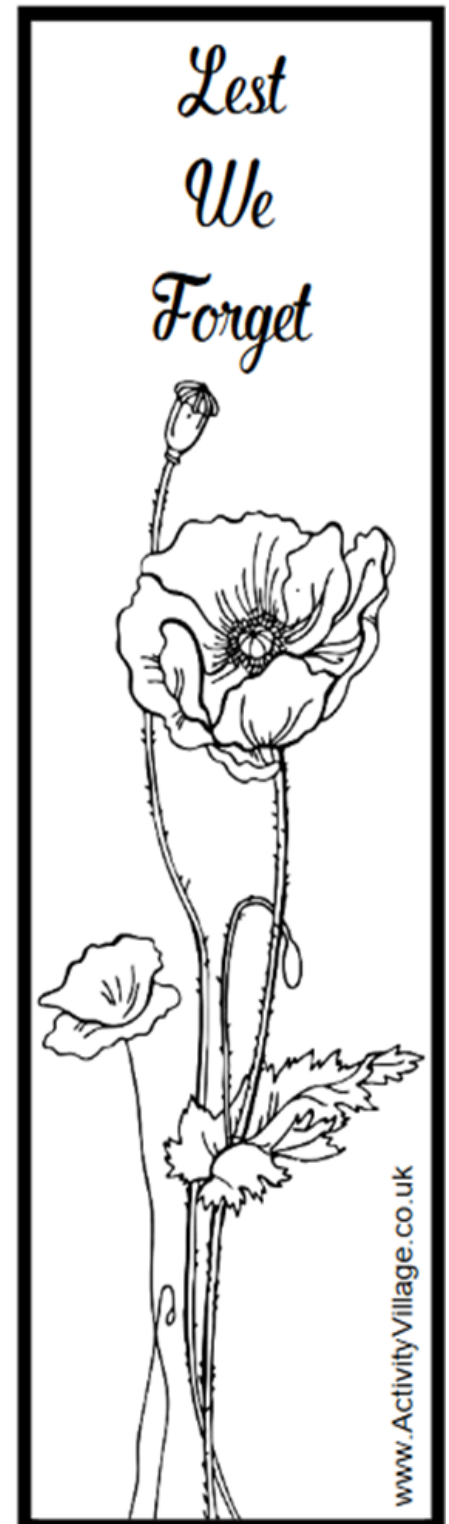
Christ Church and St. Peter's  
Mountsorrel

Here are some two-piece jigsaws, can you sort them out and put them together? You will then have the names of eight well known Saints.



God is good to me  
God is good to me  
He holds my hand  
And helps me stand  
God is good to me.

God is good to me  
God is good to me  
Although I'm small  
He hears me call  
God is good to me.



Linda  
(Children and Families Worker)

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# Light Up The Darkness



**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 4pm  
at Christ Church  
Everyone Welcome!**

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## Christmas Tree Festival

**Christ Church**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

### Can you help?

If you can spare an hour, or two, to steward at this event please sign-up on the list at the back of church.  
Your help will be appreciated. Thank you.



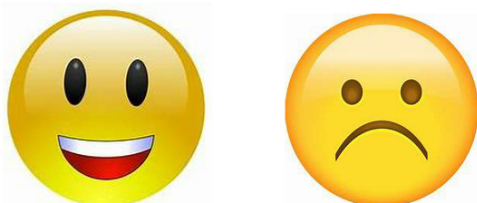
# Happy & Sad Prayers

You might find that you're spending more time inside as we head into the colder weather and darker evenings, here's an activity for families that gives lots of opportunity for chatting and connecting to lead you into a time of prayer.

**Paper Plate Faces** – You'll need a paper plate or circle of card for each member of the family. Spend time together creating a happy face on one side and a sad face on the other side of your plates.

You could use wool for hair, googly eyes, material or pipe cleaners for the mouth and nose or simply draw and colour the face features. You could even make your faces a self-portrait!

Don't forget to make one side happy and the other side sad.



## Chat together

Look at your happy faces together, talk about all the things that make you happy – make sure everyone has a turn at speaking, you might want to write down some or all of the things you talk about.

Now look at your sad faces together, talk about some of the things that make you sad, again making sure everyone has a turn. You could write down these things on a different piece of paper.

You could even write some of the happy and sad things onto each side of the face.

## Now Pray...

Look at your happy list or remember some of the things that you all said. Hold your paper plate faces happy side up as you pray, you could say;  
*God, thank you for all these wonderful things that make us happy*, and then list some of the things – everyone could say something from their list and thank God for it.



Then look at your sad list or remember some of the things you all said. Hold your paper plate faces sad side up as you ask God for help, you could say;  
*God, these things make us sad*, tell God what they are, then ask Him to help or to show you how you can help.

If it's possible, sit quietly for a few moments together and see if you feel God saying anything back to you.

Take care & keep praying!

Alison White  
Children & Family Worker





**All Age Sunday Worship  
Sunday 14th November  
@ 11-00 am**

**‘Love each  
other’**

**This service will include an Act of Remembrance**

Everyone is welcome to join us for a relaxed and slightly less formal Sunday Worship. Songs, prayers, talk, activities all included. Tea and Coffee served throughout.

To find out more about our All Age Services,  
contact either Alison or Linda:

[Alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com](mailto:Alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com)

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**Christ Church, Mountsorrel**

# **Christmas Tree Festival**

## **2021**



**Entry free.  
Donations  
welcome to  
support  
Rainbows Hospice**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - 10am -5pm\***

**Coffee/Tea 10am –12noon Friday**

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December - 10am -4pm\***

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December - 1pm -3.30pm\***

**(following our 11.00am Morning service)**

**\*Note: each day, last entry is 30 minutes before closing time.**

**Refreshments available Saturday & Sunday**

**Christ Church, Rothley Road, Mountsorrel, LE12 7JU**

**Web: <https://mountsorrelchurch.org/>**





Some of the Christmas Trees on display  
during our 2019 Christmas Tree Festival  
Will you be entering a tree this year?







## ST LEONARD'S CHURCH SWITHLAND PARISH PRAISE

Come and sing with the Praise Band

**'AD 2000'**

All your favourites and some new ones too!

Join in the fun for all the family and help to  
raise some much needed money for LOROS

**SATURDAY 20th NOVEMBER**  
**4pm 'til 6pm**

Light refreshments provided - Free entry



## Very well done Maria!

Maria, one of our parishioners, ran the London Marathon on Sunday 3rd October 2021 for Macmillan cancer support, she said “they were so helpful to me when i had cancer in 2019” and “That the blisters and aching legs were totally worth it what and it was a brilliant day”.

If you wish to read a little bit more about Maria’s day and/or make a donation online to Macmillan, please click on or browse to the link below. Any other donations would be much appreciated for Macmillan.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/maria-morley>



**Christ Church & St Peter's CE Primary School**  
'Aiming High & Caring for Everyone'

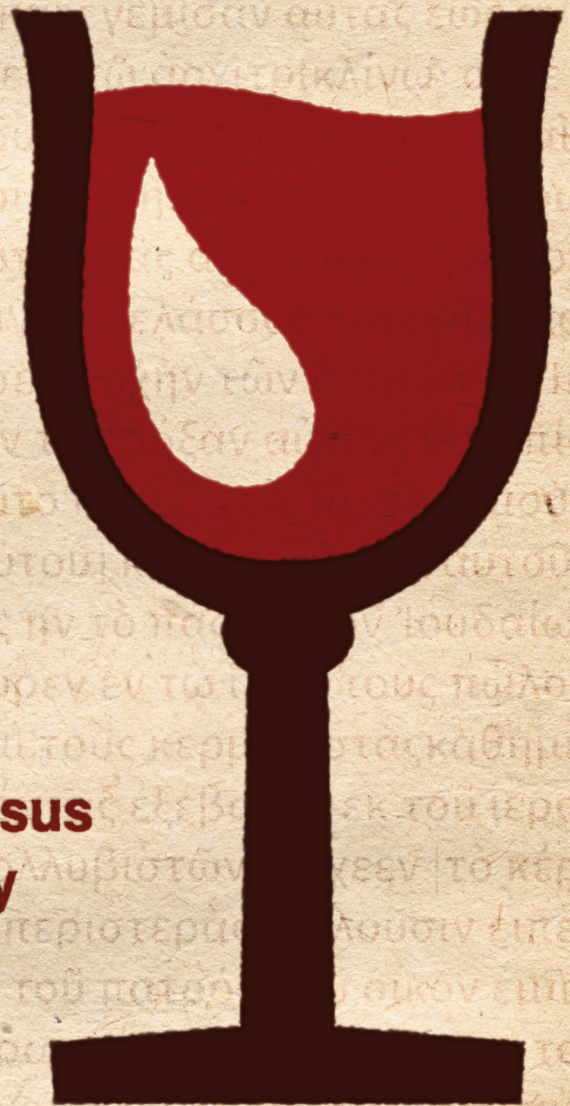


**Praying for our school  
Every Wednesday in  
Term time at 8am**

**Meet in the library space by  
Reception at school**



# water into wine



**And other miracles of Jesus  
explained by James Cary**

BBC sitcom writer  
& stand-up theologian

**Tuesday 30th November**

Show starts at 7.30pm

Tickets in advance £5

via [www.jamescary.co.uk](http://www.jamescary.co.uk)

(U16 free when booked with an adult)

£6 on the door.

**St Mary's Church, Sileby**

Little Church Lane,

Sileby,

Loughborough

LE12 7NE





## **A massive thank you**

This is a quick note to say a massive thank you for your donation of food to the Food Project. We have been absolutely astounded by the generosity of so many and we want to pass on the thanks from those who receive the food parcels.

As you are probably aware the need is great and we are seeking to support people in our area. We have 7 centres in Rothley, Birstall, Mountsorrel, Barrow, Sileby, Thurmaston and Syston and are giving out over 40 food parcels per week. In the last year we have given out 2,400 food parcels which is triple the amount we gave out in the year before Covid.

As well as giving out food we also encourage people to come in and have a chat over a drink and biscuit. We seek to get alongside those we support, to understand the challenges they face and to help them to a better future through direct help or sign posting to other services.

We also operate Soar Valley Community Money Advice which helps people struggling with debts. This has got much busier in the last few months as the restrictions for the pandemic have been lifted.

We expect the need to increase further in the next few months so your generous donation will help us meet that need. We are so humbled that you have been able to donate food and we give you our grateful thanks.

Tim Jackson  
07743765958





# Nativity Service



## St. Peter's Church

### Saturday 18th December @ 4pm

#### God Is With Us - Everywhere!

By Fay Rowland

Would you like to be Mary, Joseph, a Shepherd, or a Wise Man?

Can you help with costumes or props?

Can you help with music?


If so, everyone, but especially children, are invited to join us at Christ Church after school (about 3.15pm) on **Monday 8th November** to help arrange this year's Nativity service.

You will need to be available for one further rehearsal (date to be arranged on the 8th) and at 4pm on Saturday 18th December.

For more information, or offers of help if you can't join us on the 8th please contact Linda or Alison

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(07488 330 893)

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# *Carol Service amongst the Trees*

*Led by the Ladies of  
Christ Church & St Peters*

*Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December  
7pm at Christ Church*

*Followed by light refreshments*

# *Just 4 Ladies*

come along and take part in

## A bible study on Mary Magdalene

Date: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: The Vicarage & Online

Zoom ID: 858 3431 7001

Zoom Password: 643768



## **Christ Church with St Peters Sunbeams**

**A group for babies & pre-school children  
accompanied by their parent/carer.**

9.30-11.30 am at Christ Church  
every Monday during term time.

Just come along or contact  
[alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com](mailto:alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com)  
for more information.

## **All welcome**



Supported by: **Charnwood**



# Coffee Morning

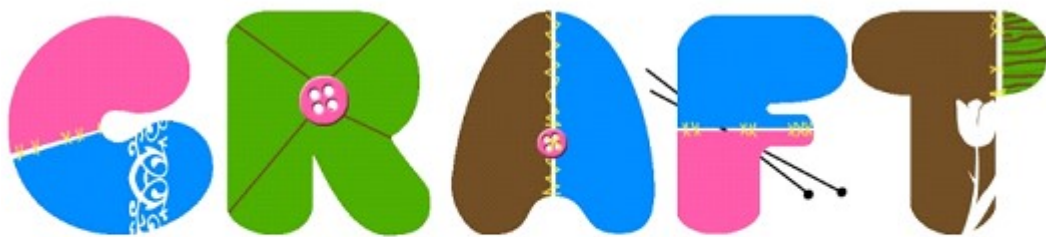
*Every Friday in Christ Church*

*Pop in and make some new friends*



*Tea & Coffee  
Cakes  
Conversation*

*10am – 12noon*



**Group**

**Meet at Christ Church**

**1:30 - 3:30pm at Christ Church**

**Every Monday**

**Except Bank Holidays**

*New members  
Are always  
Welcome!*

**St. Peter's Church are pleased to announce:**

## **Senior Sunday is back**

**Ready to welcome old friends and new**

**4.00pm at St. Peter's, on the second Sunday of each month**

**Please let Leslie or Colin know of any people over 60 who would value going to a short service followed by refreshments.**

**Thank you for supporting the Mountsorrel Community Food Project, we are very grateful for your donations.**

**Please remember to contribute  
food and toiletries to help those in  
need in our community**



**There is a collecting  
box  
near the main Church  
door.**

At the moment we would really appreciate :

- Tinned fruit, small tins of ham, tinned tuna
- Tinned meat based main meals and tinned vegetables
- Bottles of squash

Thank you on behalf of the Food project team and the people we support.

Chris Budd

Just a reminder that I am still collecting used postage stamps for The Leprosy Mission. There are boxes at the back of each church for putting them in.



Thank you.

**Janet Wright**



**The Leprosy Mission**

*Leprosy defeated, lives transformed*

## **Need Prayer or a Home Visit?**

If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayer, then please contact our confidential Prayer Chain via Liz Resch on 0116 429 9946 or via email at [lizresch64@gmail.com](mailto:lizresch64@gmail.com)

If you would like a home/hospital visit for prayer and/or communion, please leave a message for Revd Colin Resch on 0116 429 9946 or send an email to [revcolinresch@mountsorrelchurch.org](mailto:revcolinresch@mountsorrelchurch.org)

## **Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals**

For enquiries about Christenings (baptisms), weddings or funerals at either Christ Church or St Peter's Church, please contact Revd Colin Resch on 0116 429 9946 or via email at:

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**Get the latest information via our web pages:**

[www.mountsorrelchurch.org](http://www.mountsorrelchurch.org)



Christ Church/St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel



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*(Copy date for the next newsletter is Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, but  
if items are ready, please send earlier)*