



# *Church News*

February 2022

## **Christ Church**

Rothley Road  
Mountsorrel  
LE12 7JU

## **St Peter's Church**

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Mountsorrel  
LE12 7BA

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

Date	Time	Service	Venue
Wednesday 2 February <b>CANDLEMAS</b>	7.00pm	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
Sunday 6 February	9.30am	Accession Matins *	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Fun@4	Christ Church
Sunday 13 February "Septuagesima"	9.30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	All Age Worship	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Senior Sunday	St. Peter's
Sunday 20 February "Sexagesima"	11.00am	Holy Communion + Healing Prayers	Christ Church
	6.00pm	Evensong*	St. Peter's
Sunday 27 February "Quinquagesima"	9.30am	All Age Matins	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Sunday Worship	Christ Church
Wednesday 2 March <b>ASH-WEDNESDAY</b>	11.00am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
Sunday 6 March	9.30am	Matins*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Fun@4	Christ Church

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

## Morning Prayer, 9am: in Christ Church

**Tuesday \* Wednesday \* Thursday\* Friday  
and online (via Zoom)**

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

**Meeting ID: 786 8201 8817**

**Passcode: 032244**

## When is enough, enough?

Having recently suffered the bereavement of my Mum, I am tasked, alongside my brother and sister, with clearing her belongings and readying her home for sale. Those who have previously undertaken this task will know that it is an emotional and time consuming process. Even when you try to take a very practical approach to the matter, there will be items that stir memories and those that bring tears. Then there is the dilemma of what should be kept and what should be discarded. What may have been important for Mum, is not necessarily so for her children. Equally so, an item may have great significance for one sibling, but not another.

There is currently a very helpful advert on television from a particular online auction site. "Buy an item, sell an item". This is a good principal to hold onto not just when out shopping or when clearing a house following bereavement, but for all time. As human beings, we have a tendency to gather around us lots of 'stuff'. Our list of possessions grows ever longer; and so I have been warned not to bring everything home!

Not only does this lead to cluttered homes, but it is also not very good for the environment. Perhaps it is time to de-clutter our homes and our lives by passing on our surplus possessions to another (either by selling or donating).

Saint Luke records a parable of Jesus warning against exactly this sort of greed when someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." He goes on to tell the parable of the rich fool whose ground yielded an abundant harvest. He sought to store all he had in bigger barns. In the parable God says to that man, "You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"

Let us do our bit for the environment by using wisely the things we already have and not adding unnecessarily to our endless store of 'stuff'. Let us try to live simply, that others may simply live.

With every blessing,

*Colin Resch*

# Diary Dates

## **Tuesday 1 February**

7.30pm Just4Ladies (see page 12)

## **Wednesday 2 February**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.

7.00pm Holy Communion at St. Peter's (see page 12)

## **Friday 4 February**

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

7.00pm Pre Marriage Course at Christ Church.

## **Sunday 6 February**

9.30am Accession Matins at St. Peter's Church, to celebrate:  
HM The Queen's 70 years on The Throne.

## **Monday 7 February**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## **Wednesday 9 February**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School

7.30pm Fellowship Group at The Vicarage.

7.30pm Deanery Synod.

## **Friday 11 February**

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

7.00pm Pre Marriage Course at Christ Church.

## **Monday 14 February**

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## **Friday 18 February**

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

7.00pm Pre Marriage Course at Christ Church.

## **Monday 21 February**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## **Wednesday 23 February**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School

7.30pm Fellowship Group at The Vicarage.

## **Friday 25 February**

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

7.00pm Pre Marriage Course at Christ Church.



# Diary Dates for March 2022

## Monday 28 February

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## Wednesday 2 March - ASH WEDNESDAY

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.

11.00am Holy Communion at St. Peter's.

## Friday 4 March

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

7.00pm Pre Marriage Course at Christ Church.

## Monday 7 March

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

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## Access ladder to the belfry at Christ Church

Apparently, we need a Faculty for the new ladder. The DAC were slow to do what they do, but now the plans are on display in the porch and the notices are displayed outside. People are invited to view the plans which are in the tower porch.

If people wish to comment, they should write to the Diocesan Registrar at the address on the notice so that their letter arrives not later than 6<sup>th</sup> February 2022. On the 7<sup>th</sup> February these notices will be removed and the petition for a faculty will be sent to the Diocesan Registrar for approval.

Thank you.

The Churchwardens  
Christ Church,  
Mountsorrel

## 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:



The Leprosy Mission is a global Christian organisation working to defeat leprosy and transform the lives of those affected by it. They believe that no one should suffer because of a preventable and treatable disease.

The global fellowship (set up in 2011) works in 28 countries but the Leprosy Mission of England and Wales focuses on ten countries in Africa and Asia where there are high rates of the disease or a lack of services/opportunities needed by people affected.

The Mission was started in 1874 by Wellesley & Alice Bailey. Wellesley & Alice had seen the impact leprosy had on the lives of those it affected whilst he was training as a teacher in the Punjab and when they returned to Ireland they decided to raise awareness of the situation.

Leprosy is caused by a slow growing bacteria and affects the nerves, skin, eyes & lining of the nose. With early diagnoses and treatment, it can be cured but if left too long it can cause permanent disability. Leprosy can affect anyone but its biggest impact is on those living in poverty or marginalised in society.

The Leprosy Mission provides hospitals, training to healthcare professionals and research into the disease.

*(Cont'd overleaf)*

Here are some prayer ideas:

- Pray for all those involved in Leprosy research around the world.
- Pray for breakthroughs in new ways to treat and cure Leprosy.
- Pray for the work being carried out to understand how Leprosy spreads.
- Pray for all the Dr's & Nurses treating those with the disease.

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

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

Liz Resch

Mission Co-ordinator at Christ Church

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# New Beginnings

Sunday 6th February @4pm, at Christ Church



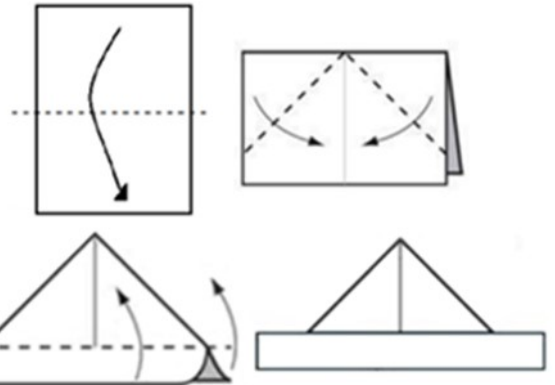
Christ Church and St Peter's  
Mountsorrel

# Children's Page

Here are the readings that will be read in Church during February.  
See if you can match the right Bible reference to the right activity.

Remember

Book Chapter:Verse(s).



Make a boat to sail on calm water.

## WORDSEARCH

W	E	E	P	X	R	E	B	S	B	H	X	U	R	H
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Blesses

**Luke 5: 1-11**

Evil

God

Hungry

**Luke 6: 20-22**

Kingdom

Laugh

Poor

**Luke 8: 22-25**

Satisfied

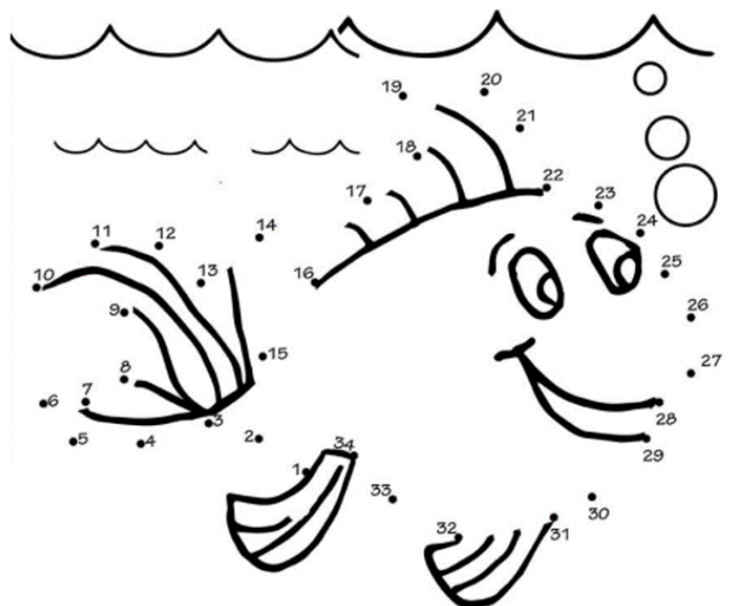
Weep

Yours

**Luke 9: 28-36**



You have to zig-zag to climb up a steep mountain.  
Can you find the way up this mountain?



*Thank you, Lord Jesus, for all that you have done for us. Help us to follow you. Amen*

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## **Name that Chocolate!**

**Answers to the Chocloate Quiz, set in last months newsletter.**

Found in a country Garden	Roses
9 10 11 12 ...	After Eight
Turn around	Twirl
A place in Birmingham	Bournville
Istanbul Harem	Turkish Delight
A planet	Mars
You can not fasten these	Chocolate Buttons
More than a planet	Galaxy
Clever folks	Smarties
Arrange marriage partners	Match Makers
Spiderman, Batman etc	Heroes
A breed of dog	Yorkie
Dairy holder	Milk Tray
High class thoroughfare	Quality Street
Dark occult	Black Magic
Locals from Malta	Maltesers
Outside meal	Picnic
Big bus	Double Decker
Talks quietly	Wispa
Musical Bards	Minstrels
Feline equipment	Kit Kat
100% AU	All Gold
It's a party	Celebrations
Encourage	Boost
Ten cent pub	Dime Bar

## Wildlife

Many of you will be aware that the village Heritage Group have, over the last 10 years, developed a small wildflower meadow alongside the Christ Church churchyard northern wall. That project included locating four bird boxes, mostly in the scrubby copse alongside but we also put one up in the top corner of the churchyard.



Having scythed and gathered the hay in mid-September our last job of the year on the meadow was to clean out the bird boxes which we did on 1st December. Pleasingly the small boxes have been successfully used, as they have been each year since we put them up, probably, judging by the nesting material, by Blue Tits.

The large box (planned as an Owl Box and set deep in the copse) brought, for the second year running, a bit of a surprise. Last year a rather disgruntled Kestrel flew out of it just as we set up to clean it out. It was a bit of question to see who was more surprised, Jeff Scott, who was up the ladder, or the Kestrel!



This year we found that the box had been used, but the clutch of 5 eggs still in the box had failed to hatch. We recovered four of them (which smell to high heaven!) to try and identify the bird, the fifth egg was lost in clearing the nesting material out. From the number, size and colour we think they were probably Green Woodpecker. Now many of you will have heard Green Woodpeckers around the rear of Christ Church throughout the nesting season but not since then.

We think that either of the pair or both, were predated probably by one of the Sparrowhawks that visit on a regular basis. Interestingly last year there was a Sparrowhawk that successfully nested in the copse and although we could not be sure we think it used the box. Whilst it is sad to note the failure of this clutch of eggs it is positive to see that the boxes have again been used.



**Probable Green Woodpecker Eggs**

*Note: that the photo seems to give a tinge of blue to the eggs whereas in fact they are off white.*



# *Just 4 Ladies*

come along and listen to

## A talk on the book of Esther

Date: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022

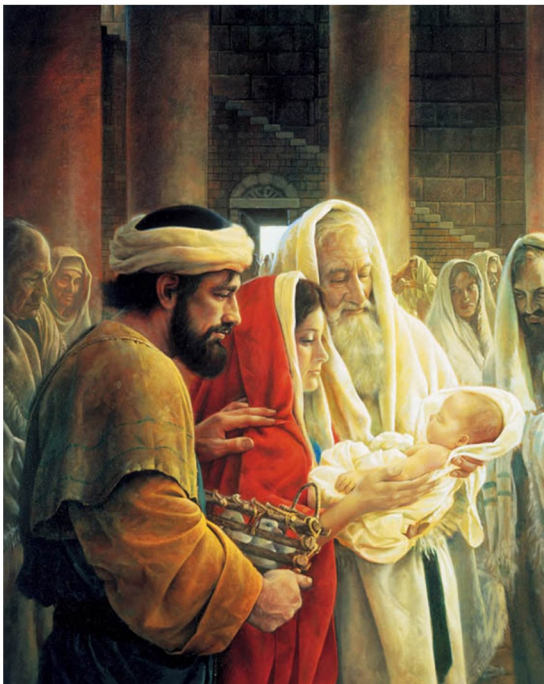
Time: 7:30pm

Venue: The Vicarage & Online

Zoom ID: 832 1367 6029

Zoom Password: 100634

## St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel



### CANDLEMAS

Wednesday 2 February 2022, 7pm

"A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory  
of Thy people Israel"

Luke 2:32



## All Welcome!



# Coffee Morning

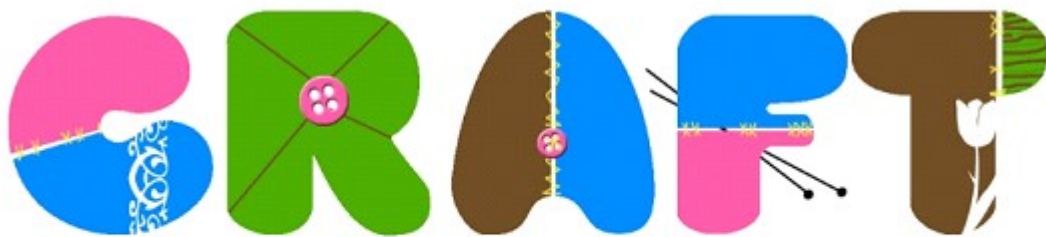
*Every Friday in Christ Church*

*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!*





# Christ Church with St Peters Sunbeams



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

9:30am till 10:30am or 11:00am till 12:00noon at  
Christ Church every Monday during term time.

Places must be pre-booked.

## All welcome



Supported by:  **Charnwood**

**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:**

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Christ Church/St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel

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*(Copy date for the next newsletter is Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February, but  
if items are ready, please send earlier)*