



Wychwood Benefice

Church News 10 - 17 November 2019

Our Vision: To build God's Kingdom here on earth as in heaven

SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER-REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY/3 BEFORE ADVENT

8.15am	Shipton BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	Milton Remembrance Service
10.50am	Shipton Remembrance Service
10.50am	Fifield Remembrance Service

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Readings: (Year C)

Micah 4:1-5 and Romans 8:31-39

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie, David Trollope, Shauni McGregor, Mark Forsbrey, Emma Bradford, Wendy Cherry, Marian Clark, Johnny Graham and baby Arthur Smith.

Deanery: 10 November: St Nicholas, Chadlington. Please pray for Mark Abrey, Ilona Cheyne and churchwardens Michael Wigley and Susan Myatt.

17 November: St Mary's, Salford. Please pray for James Kennedy, David Salter, Jackie Jones, Martha Simpson, Ursula Simpson, Roger Simpson, Judith Marshall and churchwardens Sally Chambers Nicholas Chambers.

Prayers for the Naylor Family

Chris and Susanna Naylor, who lived in Plum Lane, Shipton, were both killed in a dreadful car accident in South Africa on Monday 28th October. They leave behind 3 children in their twenties. They were travelling with the Co-founders of A Rocha International, Peter and Miranda Harris. Miranda also died in the accident, Peter and the driver of their car remain in stable condition.

Chris and Susanna worshipped at St John's Burford where Susanna had been churchwarden. She had just started teaching at Christ Church Cathedral School. Chris had been an executive officer of A Rocha since 2010.

As we remember Chris, Susanna and Miranda, we extend our deepest sympathy to their families and pray that God's love, strength and comfort will surround them at this sad time.

SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2 BEFORE ADVENT / SHOEBOX SUNDAY

9.30am

Milton United Benefice Shoebox Sunday Service

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

Today's Readings (Year C) 2 Before Advent

First Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Paul is writing to the very young Church about how to live while they wait for God's action in their midst.

Gospel Luke 21:5-19 Jesus spells out to his disciples what they can expect and what they must rely on.

Notices

Christmas Shoebox Countdown

If you have not yet filled a shoebox and would like to, there are some empty ones available in Milton Church, along with leaflets. Please drop them at the Church or bring along to the special service on 17 November at 9.30 in Milton. More details at

<http://teams4u.com/>

Quiz Night Sunday 24 November, 7.30pm in the Wychwood Inn

Quiz Night in aid of the Shipton church roof is confirmed for Sunday 24th November at 7.30pm. Please gather teams (4 to 6 people) and encourage everyone you know to come support the event. Tickets are £5 per person and there will be a raffle on the night. There will also be prizes for teams - grand prize is a meal for 4 at the Wychwood. No need to book. Just come – either as a team or an individual.

Wanted: A small fridge for Shipton Church

Shipton Church are looking for a small fridge and are planning to restart the tea/coffee making facility whenever the church is open. If you have a spare fridge or know someone that does please get in touch with Geoffrey - 832514.

New Book Swap/Buy area in Shipton Church

Donations of books (all types) are being sought as we are planning to start up a book swap/buy area within the Church. Please drop any off at the Vicarage or Shipton Church - or phone Geoffrey for collection.

New! Messy Church

We are starting Messy Church on Sunday 8 December. It will be held in the school from 4pm – 6 ending with a tea and is for families with children of all ages.

This first Messy Church will have an Advent theme “Small is Mighty”.

If you would like to be involved then please get in touch with Geoffrey

Advent Groups

The Advent study this year will be based on Bishop Steven’s latest Bible study guide: *Principles of Deep Water Fishing*. Copies are now available in the office for £3.

Advent Groups will start the week commencing 25 November.

Advent Groups will be running as follows:

On Mondays at 10.30am in the Paddocks (downstairs T.V. lounge) Monday 25 November, 2, 9 & 16 December.

On Tuesdays at 7.15pm at Anne and Mike Hartley’s: Tuesday 26 November, 3, 10 & 17 December.

Christmas Tree Festival in Shipton Church

The WI are organising a Christmas Tree Festival in Shipton Church on Saturday 14 December 6-8pm. More details to follow but they are inviting all local businesses and organizations to decorate a tree to be displayed in the church and to raise much needed funds towards Shipton’s roof and refurbishment project. If you are interested in decorating a tree, get in touch. Tickets are now available £10 from the vicar, Kay Shortland or the Benefice office.

Update on Shipton Church

The latest news is that we are still waiting for the structural engineer to draw up proposals for the South Aisle Roof.

This week we had a visit from someone from the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust and got some positive feedback from him.

The coffee morning so far has raised over£500, a big thank you again to all who helped and attended.

Foodbank Donations:

A reminder that both Shipton and Milton churches are drop off points for donations for our local foodbank who collect the following:

tins or packets of soup	bottled or tinned sauces
tins of meat	tins of vegetables
tins of fish	tinned vegetarian meals
tins of baked beans	tins/cartons of tomatoes
tinned potatoes or instant mash	pasta, rice, noodles
breakfast cereals	tins of fruit
tins of sponge and milk puddings	tins or packets of custard
tea or coffee	other hot beverages
small packets of sugar	UHT/powdered milk
long-life fruit juice	biscuits, jams etc
treats	ALSO toilet rolls, washing-up liquid etc

Readings 24 November Christ The King

Colossians 1:11-20, Luke 23:33-43

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