



Parishes of

Alfrick-w-Lulsley; Crown East, Rushwick; Suckley;
Leigh & Bransford; Lower Teme Valley; Martley and
Wichenford

Pew Sheet for 23rd November 2025

Sunday 23rd November 1st Sunday before Advent

9.00 am Common Worship Holy Communion Alfrick
10.30 am Common Worship Holy Communion Martley
10.30 am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion Crown East
10.30 am Morning Worship Broadwas

Sunday 30th November Advent Sunday

10.30am Benefice Advent Service Suckley

Sunday 7th December Advent Sunday

9.00 am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion Cotheridge
10.30 am Common Worship Holy Communion Leigh
10.30am Common Worship Holy Communion Martley
10.30 am All age Service Broadwas
4.00 pm Christingle and Tree of Light Festival Suckley
6.00pm Evensong Alfrick

Sunday 14th December 2nd Sunday of Advent

9.00 am BCP HC (said) Bransford
12.00 am Farmers Market Talbot
3.00 pm Carol Service Knightwick
3.30 pm Carols/Christingles Crown East
4.00 pm Carol Service Wichenford

Collect for the Sunday next before Advent/Christ the King

Jeremiah 23.1-6, Psalm 46, Colossians 1.11-20, Luke 23.33-43

Readings for the Sunday next before Advent/Christ the King

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

Midweek Communion for Week Commencing 24th November

Wednesday 26th November at Heaton House, Martley at 10.15am

Fundraising News

Festival of Christmas Trees—St Edburga Leigh

be as imaginative as you can – we have had some wonderful ones over the past few years – and I'm sure that it will be again this year. So get thinking (if you haven't done so already !) . Trees can go into church from Monday 8th December and be in place by Sunday 14th and then remain in place until Monday 19th January. Please message me if you are planning to take part so that I can put together a plan. Jean Colley 07850 233320.

Friends of Mulanje Orphanage

Many of you will know about the charity we support in Southern Malawi that is a small, community based enterprise which started in 2000 feeding orphan children. It is still caring for vulnerable children and whilst the number of volunteers has not grown FOMO has developed over the last 25 years and is living proof that 'Helping does make a difference'.

Anyway FOMO is having another Balloon race with the balloons being set off from Lapland on Christmas Day so if you want to buy an unusual 'extra' pressie for someone close to you why not purchase a balloon....poster with further information attached.

Go on - buy a balloon, it is fun !

Here is the web link to buying balloons for FOMO: <https://ecoracing.co/cause/friends-of-mulanje-orphans-2769>

And here's the link to the Facebook post: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/17dJ7a7V2j/>



VIRTUAL BALLOON RACE FUNDRAISER FOR FOMO

Buy balloons for £3 each
Race from Santa's Village in Lapland
setting off on Christmas day

Prizes for two winning balloons
Race family and friends - makes a great
Christmas gift!

Go to Eco Racing website
ecoracing.co
to buy balloons for FOMO
or scan the code

FRIENDS OF MULANJE ORPHANS, REGISTERED CHARITY NO 1090727
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November and December Church Maintenance Tips

Your guide to maintenance jobs in your church during November and December from the Church Buildings Team:

With the end of British Summer Time and the colder, wetter months now firmly taking hold, it is important that your church is prepared for these adverse conditions. Regular inspections of your church and keeping on top of routine maintenance tasks can help minimise the problems which can arise from this type of weather. For more see here:



Suckley Tree of Life

Suckley Tree of Light will shine again this year in memory of loved ones who are no longer with us. The lights will be turned on after the 4pm Christingle Service on Sunday 7th December, and everyone is welcome. If you would like to dedicate a light (suggested £5.00 per dedicated light) do pick up a form from the Church, the Hop Shed or Suckley Shop. Completed forms should be returned by December 4th to Suckley PO/shop please.

The Shoe Box Appeal 2025

A message from Helen Cook—'Can you thank everyone who contributed to the shoe box appeal this year especially Margaret who again knitted 3boxes of assorted sized mittens and hats. We were able to send around 50 boxes.' Helen.

Cuppa and Chat Rushwick

St Thomas are trialling having an extra Cuppa and Chat session for those people who might want to meet up more than once a month.

Please join us this Monday at 10.30am – 11.30am in The Whitehall Inn Rushwick. Maxine Lowe is kindly hosting and Charlene and Kelly are both very welcoming and are onboard with this new community initiative.

If you're a regular to Cuppa Chat come along or if you fancy coming with a new venue, roaring log fire, comfy sofas, proper coffee from a coffee machine, cakes and snacks and as usual a good chat! Abi will challenge people to a game of darts or Pool if you're feeling energetic!

PLEASE NOTE: Refreshments are not free as at the Village Hall Cuppa and Chat. They will be charged at the normal Whitehall Inn prices, but you get a much better quality choice of drinks and snacks.

Nice to support Kelly and Charlene's initiative of opening in the mornings as a Café and nice to have another reason to get together. Hope to see you there!



Advent and Christmas Services & Events for Children and Families



Sunday 30th November, 10.30am:

Benefice Family Service, St John the Baptist, Suckley

Advent Carol Service for all ages, with activities for the children



Sunday 7th December, 10.30am:

All Age Service, St Mary's, Broadwas

Worship for all ages, with activities for the children



Sunday 7th December, 4pm:

Christingle and Tree Service, St John the Baptist, Suckley

A celebration of light: a Christingle Service for all ages



Sunday 14th December, 4pm:

Carols and Christingles. St Thomas', Crown East

Sweet treats, carols and candlelight – a Christingle Service for all ages



Friday 19th December, 4.30pm:

Carols around the tree, The Whitehall, Rushwick

Join us for some carol singing and festive cheer – all welcome



Saturday 20th December, 4pm:

Carols around the tree, Leigh and Bransford Village Hall

Join us for some carol singing and festive cheer – all welcome



Sunday 21st December, 4pm:

Crib and Carol Service, St Mary's Broadwas

Child friendly (and encouraged!) carol service for all ages



Wednesday 24th December, 4pm:

Barnyard Nativity, Coles Place, Lulsley

The Christmas story brought to life!



Thursday 25th December, 10.30am:

Family Christmas Day Service, St John the Baptist, Suckley

Hark! the herald angels sing, 'Gloria to the new born King!'



Opening times of church buildings for private prayer

Crown East - Everyday 9am – 5pm

Suckley– Open 10am to 5pm Weds, Sat and Sun in term time, and daily in the holidays

Alfrick - Everyday

Leigh - Everyday 10am - 6pm (from 30th March—4pm till then)

Broadwas - Everyday 11am—5pm

Cotheridge - Everyday 9am - 5pm

Wichenford Everyday 10am—4pm

Martley - Everyday

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If you have an administration query or would like something added to A Church Near You please contact

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For those of you with computers, iPads or other such 'modern technology' you will continue to find worship through our youtube [wwrtlive1](#)

Other information can be found on individual church pages on A Church Near You and our Facebook pages www.facebook.com/Worcesterwestruralteam www.facebook.com/suckleychurch