



Fortnightly Church News for
23 and 30 November 2025

Wychwood Benefice

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

SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER – CHRIST THE KING

9.30am United Benefice Holy Communion/ Shoebox Service - **Milton**

Teams4U Christmas Shoeboxes 2025: Please bring shoeboxes to this service or drop off beforehand in church. Details online at <https://teams4u.com/> Boxes & leaflets in Milton church.

PRAYERS & READINGS CHRIST THE KING - YEAR C

Collect 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. **Amen**

Post Communion Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

1st Reading Jeremiah 23.1-6, **2nd** Colossians 1.11-20, **Gospel** Luke 23.33-43.

Prayer List: Jenny Hayward, Stuart Wallace, Marian Clarke, Yvonne Cole and Ieva (Eva) Vaite.

Thank you for your prayers for Glyneth Randall who is much better now.

Banns: Emma and Robert in Milton ahead of their wedding in December.

R.I.P. John Hartley and Robin Andrew Smith.

Deanery: 23 November PTO's (Permission to Officiate) and Retired Clergy.
30 November St Kenelm's, Enstone. Pray for Mark Abrey and Ilona Cheyne.

SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER – ADVENT SUNDAY

11.00am United Benefice Advent Sunday Holy Communion **Fifield**

4.00pm Christingle **Shipton:** with **Raffle**, **Christmas Stall**,
& **Refreshments at 3.30pm**



PRAYERS AND READINGS ADVENT 1 (YEAR A)

Collect Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Post Communion O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

1st Reading Isaiah 2.1-5, **2nd Romans** 13.11-14, **Gospel** Matthew 24.36-44

Mid-Week Communion Wednesdays, 10am in Milton.

Coffee, Cake & Company, Fifield Parish Hall, Thursdays 10.30-12.30.

There will be a Christmas Special on 18 December and then a break and we will start up again on 8 January 2026.

Care Homes:

Mon 1 December 2.15pm Tall Trees Holy Communion.

Fri 5 December 10.30am The Paddocks Holy Communion.

Mon 8 December 2.30pm Old Prebendal Holy Communion.



Carols at Old Prebendal House

Friday 19 December, 3pm-4pm

We could really do with some support singing carols. Please do come along and help us sing all the old favourites.

Memory Lane Café: Mon 15 December 10am-12pm Old Prebendal House. For people experiencing memory loss, their carers, family, friends and those who have lost loved ones. Contact davidensor@mac.com 07836 613540.

Fifield Christmas Raffle for Fifield Church, Parish Hall & Memorial Recreation Ground, to be drawn after the Carol Service at Fifield Church on Fri 12 Dec. There are some lovely prizes including a Meal for Two at The King's Head, a designer shoulder bag, a Heidi Klein clutch bag, a handmade woollen throw & lots more. Tickets £2 each from Catherine Hitchens 01993 831881.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

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**Advent Carol Service
with choir**

**Sunday 7 December
6pm in Shipton**

St Mary the Virgin,
Shipton under Wychwood



Christingle Services



Sunday 30 November 4pm
St Mary the Virgin, Shipton
Raffle, Christmas stall & refreshments at 3.30pm

Sunday 7 December 4pm
St Simon & St Jude, Milton

Christmas Eve 4pm Crib & Christingle
St John the Baptist, Fifield

**Crib Services on Christmas Eve at 4pm
in Milton and Shipton churches**



*With a collection for the
Children's Society*

Christmas leaflets with details of all services have been delivered around the villages.
Please contact your churchwarden if you haven't received one!

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Carols by Candlelight

**Friday 12 December 6pm
in
St John the Baptist,
Fifield**

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**The Angels' Story
with Carols**

*Drama, Readings, Music
& refreshments*

**Saturday 20 December 6pm
in Milton Church**

St Simon & St Jude,
Milton under Wychwood

Please leave prizes for the tombola in Milton church asap. More helpers appreciated!



SUNDAY 7 DECEMBER – ADVENT 2

8.15am BCP Holy Communion **Shipton**

9.30am Worship for All **Milton**

11.00am BCP Holy Communion (Patronal) **Idbury**

4.00pm Christingle **Milton**

6.00pm Advent Carol Service with choir **Shipton**

1st Reading Isaiah 11.1-10, **2nd Romans** 15.4-13, **Gospel** Matthew 3.1-12.

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