

# StowCaple Churches Word from RevLaura

Last Sunday was the lighting of the first Advent candle that represents Hope and the Patriarchs. A time to prepare for Jesus coming not only as a baby, but also as the grown-up Jesus. Now we await the second coming of Jesus, one day we will meet him face to face are you ready.

<u>Another notice</u> – In the New Year we will be doing the Alpha Course, this will start on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 7.15pm – 9.30pm finishing prompt – and include a meal to start with – this is an eight week course (will be local possibly at the Kings Caple Rectory) and there will also be an away day (Near Ross) on Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> – this is an introduction to the Christian faith and is for anyone who wants to learn about what it is to be a Christian (no pressure to believe) or would like a refresher on the basics of the Christian faith – email revlaurajane@gmail.com to book on – and share with anyone you think may be interested, blessings Laura

### Sunday 7th December Advent 2 Peace/Prophets (purple candle) (Purple)

- **9.15am St Andrew with St Mary, How Caple,** Morning Prayer Book of Common Prayer
- 9.30am St Peters, Peterstow, Common Worship Communion
- 11.15am St John the Baptist Church, Kings Caple, Common Worship Communion

**3pm St Bridget's, Bridstow, Carol Service** (with the StowCaple Singers)

Tue 9th Dec

1.30pm St John the Baptist, Kings Caple, Community Carols (with school)

December Wednesday 10th 6pm St Andrew's and St Mary's, How Caple, Celtic Evening Prayer

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Dec Advent 3 Joy/John the Baptist (pink candle) (Purple)

- 9.30am St Tysilio's, Sellack, Bible Study and Prayer
- 9.30am St Andrew's and St Mary's, How Caple, Book of Common Prayer Communion
- 11.15am St Michael's, Sollershope, Carol and Nativity service
- 11.15am St Mary's, Foy, Common Worship Communion

3pm St Peter's, Peterstow, Carol Service with the StowCaple Choir

4pm St Bridget's, Bridstow, Family Service Christingle

KINGS CAPLE: Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, "DROP INN" at Kings Caple Old School 3. – 4.30pm for Coffee, tea cake and chat.

Also: is anyone interested in Bell Ringing ask if you are interested! And we are STILL in need of a treasurer can you help URGENT NEED!

<u>BRIDSTOW:</u> Church coffee morning 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month – Bridstow Village Hall **10.30am – 12noon, c**offee, chat, raffle, bring and buy table.

**Anyone want to join the Bridstow Village Hall Committee** – next meeting is on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 7pm if you want to know what is involved (mtgs are just over an hour) – please contact Carrie Jones (the secretary/booking clerk) on <a href="mailto:bvhallsecretary@gmail.com">bvhallsecretary@gmail.com</a>

#### Open Studio Charity Event - 5-7 December

With Kathy Priddis, a chance to see her recent pots, sculpture and paintings, and maybe buy that unique, handmade gift for someone you love. Kathy is asking for your support as she annually donates 100% of her profits, this year to Bridstow Church. Open 10am-4pm with mulled wine and mince pies. Venue: Round Oak Cottage, Hoarwithy Rd, Bridstow HR9 6QI

**HOW CAPLE:** 1<sup>st</sup> TUESDAY of the month – ZIGGISAURUS' in Church Playgroup 10 am – 12 noon. Lots of fun for everyone.

Every Friday 'gardening club in the churchyard' all welcome contact Hilda: <a href="mailto:auersperglee@outlook.com"><u>auersperglee@outlook.com</u></a>

**PETERSTOW**: Coffee Mornings at St Peter's 1st and 3rd Monday each month

**Every second Monday** of each month, we will have **Contemplative Prayer Space – 2pm until 3pm** hosted by Ann Owen – please ask Ann or Laura if you would like to attend for the address

<u>ADVENT BIBLE COURSE:</u> 10.30am – noon at St Peter's Church, Peterstow Church – all welcome! – To think about the time of advent and what this means – Next one is (Joy) December 4<sup>th</sup> and (love)11<sup>th</sup> - these studies stand alone so you don't need to do them all – all welcome!

#### **ZOOM Meetings:**

Mid-day prayer – Tuesday and Thursday ID: 922 223 7750 Password: 77.

**Wednesday Bible Study** – led by Bishop Anthony (no theological background needed) For more info please contact Ann Owen (ann@owenfamily.me.uk) ID: 862 6084 4541 Password: Bible

#### **OTHER REGULAR SERVICES:**

**2<sup>ND</sup> Wednesday of the Month – Celtic Evening Prayer** at How Caple 6pm – 6.30pm **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month – Sanctuary –** Contemporary worship service, with discussion and prayer – Bridstow Village Hall 6pm – 7pm

**We pray for:** all who are unwell, for Mike Swinnerton, Mike Tunnicliff, Margaret Artus, Eric Powell, Maggie Lewis, Mary Purry, Ann Owen, Hugh Thompson, Jack Everitt, Tom Jordan

## **Christmas Services 2025 StowCaple Benefice**



3pm Bridstow Church, Carol Service

Tue 9th Dec

1.30pm Kings Caple Church, Community Carols (with school)

Sun 14th Dec

11.15am Sollershope Church, Carol and Nativity service3pm Peterstow Church, Carol Service4pm Bridstow Church, Family Service Christingle

Sun 21st Dec

4pm Kings Caple Church, Crib Service
5.30pm How Caple Church, Carol Service

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec

**6pm Sellack Church, Carol Service** 

**Christmas Eve 24<sup>th</sup> Dec** 

6.30pm Foy Church, Carol Service

9pm Kings Caple Church, Communion with Carols

**Christmas Day 25th Dec** 

9.30am How Caple Church, Morning Prayer Book of Common Prayer
 10am Bridstow Church, Holy Communion
 10am Peterstow Church, Holy Communion
 10am Sollershope, Communion by Extension

(Rector) Reverend Laura Hewitt email: <u>revlaurajane@gmail.com Tel: 07500345048</u> <u>Day off:</u> <u>Friday</u>

(Curate) Reverend Christine Cattanach email: RevCatt@yahoo.com Tel: 07810701679 Days off: Thur/Fri/Sat

Facebook: StowCaple Group Website: www.stowcaplechurches.co.uk If you would like to join the StowCaple Churches Whatsapp Group please email Laura with your mobile number and giving permission for your number to be added. (This will be for news and prayer requests, and updates)

Our Church Near you site is https://www.achurchnearyou.com/benefice/18-032BW/