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## Church E-News

from the Parish of Fladbury, Hill & Moor, Wyre Piddle, Cropthorne & Charlton  
and the Parish of Bishampton & Throckmorton

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## Sunday 1st February - Presentation of Christ in the Temple

11.00am - Holy Communion - Fladbury

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### Candlemas - Prayers for the World

Forty days after the birth of Jesus, his parents obeying the Jewish tradition present him in the Temple and Simeon proclaims, "My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel." Times then were harsh – Roman occupation, Herod's reign of terror, and an outbreak of famine. Simeon and Anna's undiminished faith and expectant hope in the Messiah are more remarkable and speak deeply into our world today.

On Sunday, with Simeon's words in mind, our prayers will be world focused, each one written by different people from across the benefice, and as we pray, we shall light candles around a map of the world. These prayers are printed in [this booklet](#) – please use them during the coming week, knowing your prayers are one with others of our church family, praying.

*Sarah*

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### An Update on Cropthorne Church Heating

A meeting will be held on Monday 2nd February at 7pm at Cropthorne Village Hall for anyone who is interested to hear an update on the heating & building works required for St Michael's.

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## February

On Sunday 8th February we plan that Five Alive and Bishampton with Throckmorton will join the Cathedral congregation at their Eucharist at 10.30am

In previous years, many of us have enjoyed this experience of worshipping together with, and in, our “Mother Church”.

Also, as before, we are arranging a pub lunch, on the way home, so that we can continue our fellowship together. Fran Summerfield has kindly offered to organize this – more details later.

It would be helpful to know how many people intend to come to the Cathedral so that we can arrange reserved seating and how many would like to join the lunch afterwards.

Please could you let either Fran or me know if you intend to come to the Cathedral and whether you will also join the lunch by the evening of Tuesday 3rd. Please email or phone one of us:

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## Notice of Revision to Church Electoral Rolls and APCM's

The Church Electoral Roll is a list of church members and reviewed annually. A new list is made every five years. If you are new to our churches in the Five Alive Parish or the Parish of Bishampton and Throckmorton, or are not sure your name is on the Electoral Roll for your parish and would like to be added, please contact Carolyn Middleton, [fivealivebt@outlook.com](mailto:fivealivebt@outlook.com); or 07465 693107.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting for the Five Alive Parish will take place on Sunday 1st March 2026 at 12noon at Fladbury Church.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting of the Parish of Bishampton and Throckmorton will take place on Sunday 8th March 2026 at 12noon at Bishampton Church.

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## Prayer Requests

If you wish your name to be included in the prayers at church services and on the Church E-News, please let Sarah know, [revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com](mailto:revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com) or 01386 861669.

## Eco Church - *caring for God's creation*

### Eco friendly holidays

As we start to plan ahead for this year, let us be aware that holidays significantly contribute to carbon emissions.

Travel: The mode of transportation used during holidays has a substantial impact on carbon emissions. Air travel is particularly carbon-intensive. In contrast, train travel can reduce emissions by over 90% compared to flying.

Accommodation: Hotels and holiday rentals consume energy for heating, cooling, and amenities, contributing to the overall carbon footprint. In addition, holiday locations may encourage further environmental damage to fragile ecosystems.

We all like a break, but can we reduce our impact?

*Eco church team*

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### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February - Candlemas**

11:00am Holy Communion Fladbury

### **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

*There is no service in the benefice this weekend as we will be going as a group to the Cathedral.*

10:30am Sung Eucharist Worcester Cathedral

10:30am Sung Eucharist Pershore Abbey

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

9:30am Holy Communion Charlton

11:00am Holy Communion Wyre Piddle

### **Ash Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

7:00pm Holy Communion Fladbury

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

9:30am Holy Communion Bishampton

9:30am Café Church Charlton Old School Room

11:00am Holy Communion Fladbury

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

11:00am Holy Communion Fladbury

followed by APCM for Five Alive Parish

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