NEW FOREST EDGE BENEFICE

NEWSLETTER – Sunday 15th November 2026

Please send all newsletter contributions by Wednesday evening to pam.masonsmith@gmail.com or text 07850 984571

Services for Sunday 15th November - Safeguarding Sunday

10.00 Hinton - Communion with Rev Richard Emblin
9.00 Thorney Hill - Matins with Pat Simpson
9.30 Bransgore - Communion with Oliver Rundell and Rev Phil McAvoy
10.45 Burley - Communion with Rev. Ian Dighé
10.50 Sopley - Communion with Rev. Mo Pimenta



Safeguarding Sunday's theme this year is 'Love Protects' – rooted in the powerful words of 1 Corinthians 13, reminding us that safeguarding isn't just about policy or compliance, but a natural expression of Christian love in action. Safeguarding isn't bureaucracy. It isn't a distraction from ministry. It is ministry.

Hinton Christmas Craft Day

Saturday November 14th

10.30am—3pm

Resource Centre Bransgore

Come and join us for fun craft.

1 or 2 places left – book NOW!

Contact Beth to book

friendsandsocialhinton@gmail.com

Limited number of places



Cost £15 per person

Tea and coffee included

Bring your own packed lunch.

Deadline
2nd December

CHRISTMAS COMPLETE 2026

Your kind donations enable SCRATCH to support local children and young people who might go without presents to open on Christmas Day.

We need donations of (new) Age relevant toys

- Toiletries & other teenage
- gifts
- Sweets and chocolate
- Colouring books, pencils,
- Pens, stationary
- Books (from baby to 17 yrs)
- Soft Toys
- Games and Puzzles
- Wrapping paper

Deliver your donations to Burley Church and leave at the back of the Church OR Tuesday coffee mornings in the hall 10.30-12 OR
Deliver to October Cottage, Garden Road, Burley
DEADLINE 2nd DECEMBER
Contact Beryl 07990 000893

In December 2025 we were able to help **2,434 children and young people** in Southampton and the surrounding area who are referred to us as being in need by trusted agencies.

For details about volunteering and for other information, please check our website:
https://www.scratchcharity.co.uk/projects/christmas-complete/index.htm

If you have any questions, please email: cc@scratchcharity.co.uk

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Fighting Local Poverty
www.scratchcharity.co.uk
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Sharing the Bible with children through

OPEN THE BOOK

Could you be a Storyteller?

Would you like to join a team going into Sopley/Burley schools and telling a story from the special storytelling bible, designing props, having fun and making a difference at the same time!

Come to our Benefice Service on Sunday 29th November 10.30 at St. Mary's Bransgore to find out more from Steff Shepherd

Open the Book Regional Training and Development Officer (South East)

Christmas Tree Festival at Burley Parish Church

BH24 4AP

10 – 13 December

Thurs – Sat	Sunday
10 – 6	11.30 – 6

Mulled wine and mince pies

Trees all decorated by local Burley groups to the theme

Christmas around the world

★ *Donations for charity* ★

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Help needed

Could you help for an hour or two with stewarding or serving refreshments?

Money raised will go to 2 charities – Compassion and Teen Challenge Dorset

There is a rota at the back of Burley Church or call Pam 07850 984571





What a magnificent display of poppies by Sopley Church (above)

We would all love to hear about things happening in YOUR Church – just email Pam.masonsmith@gmail.com by Wednesday evening each week



Helen Siddal has been going into the Little Deers Nursery, Burley Primary School and Beavers/Scout meetings, helping them to make poppies and telling them what the red poppy represents. This lovely display is in Burley Church Chapel until early next week.



Months of knitting poppies at Burley and we're very proud to see them in situ honouring all those who died in the 2 World Wars. We need more for next year though.....

