

Benefice of Etwall, Egginton, Sutton-on-the-hill, Trusley and Dalbury



Dec 25



From The Vicar

REV. STELLA GREENWOOD

As we enter Advent and begin our preparations to celebrate again the birth of our Saviour, I want to thank you all for all you do to support the mission and ministry or the Faithful 5. Whether that is leading a service, organising rotas, visiting, making cakes, washing up or cleaning (and I know I have missed some); everything you do is much appreciated.

Over the last month we have seen some exciting developments. Our Community hub has received more funding from Derbyshire Voluntary Action - see the logo above!

We have also linked with South Derbyshire food bank to support those in need in our community. If you or anyone you know needs help, then please contact Helena at the Community hub.

Some of us need to renew our safeguarding training. If you have had an e-mail from either Helena or Lynne regarding renewal of safeguarding training (not your DBS) can you please inform one of them that you have completed it and send the date to ensure that it is recorded - Many thanks.

On Saturday 8th November, two from our worshipping community were confirmed by Bishop Libby at Derby Cathedral. Congratulations to Faye and Nichola, we look

forward to sharing communion with you soon.

Many of us also celebrated with Dorothy Brough, who celebrated her 90th birthday last month with lunch and cake. Happy Birthday Dorothy.

Over the past two months, Stella has been part of a group considering how we grow youth work in our Benefice. This involved a series of workshops from a group called Youthscape and will conclude with a celebration service in January. This is only the beginning as we work with the Holy Spirit to grow his Kingdom among our young people.

The Fabric group from St Helen's have also been out and about visiting churches with various types of heating to help us understand the best option for our building. Results will be presented to the PCC at their next meeting and then to the rest of the congregation.

While December is full of Christmas activities, Carols, fairs, Turkey cobs etc. Advent is also a time of waiting, of expectation and of preparing ourselves, not only to welcome the baby in the manger but also the risen, exulted King who comes to bring us home to the Father.

*Come, thou long expected Jesus
Born to set thy people free*

*May you have a joyful and blessed
Christmas*

Services 7th December

9.30am - Holy Communion
St Wilfrid's Egginton

11.00 - Morning Prayer
St Helen's Etwall

11.00am - Morning Worship
St Michael's Sutton on the Hill

11.00am - Holy Communion
All Saints, Dalbury

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Dates for your Diaries

Regular Events

Mon 3:30pm, Monday Club, St Wilfrid's (term time)

Tues 9:00am Morning Prayer, St Helen's

Thurs 10am, Holy Communion BCP, St Helen's

Wed 2-4pm, Community Hub, St Helen's

Fri 3pm Crazy Christians at St Helens (term time)

Wed 7pm Choir Practice, St Wilfrid's

Fri 6pm Choir Practice, St Helen's

Other Events this Month

Wednesday 3rd, 12noon Soup Lunch, St Wilfrid's

Wednesday 3rd, 3:30pm Social and Fundraising meeting, St Helen's

Wednesday 3rd, 4pm Benefice Prayers, St Wilfrid's (all welcome)

Thursday 4th, 7:30pm A Christmas Carol, St Wilfrid's

Friday 5th, 5:30pm Messy Church, St Wilfrid's

Saturday 6th, 10:30am Messy Church, St Helen's

Sunday 7th, 2pm Swadincote Messiah, Hill Street Baptist Church Swadlincote

Tuesday 9th, 4pm Messy Church Planning, St Helen's

Wednesday 10th, 1pm Carols round the tree and turkey Cobs at Community hub, St Helen's

Wednesday 10th, 4pm Benefice Prayers, All Saint's Trusley

Thursday 11th, 9am Pre-school nativity, St Michael's

Friday 12th, 9am Egginton school nativity, St Wilfrid's

Friday 12th, 2pm Christmas Carols, Bearwardcote Hall

Saturday 13th, 8:30am Men's Breakfast, St Helen's

Saturday 13th, 1:30pm Christmas Fair, The Old Lodge

Sunday 14th, 7pm Crazy Christians Nativity Another Way

Monday 15th, 6pm Monday Club Christmas, St Wilfrid's

Tuesday 16th, 6:30pm Carol Service, All Saint's Trusley

Wednesday 17th, 10:30am Christmas Carols, The Old Lodge

Wednesday 17th, 2pm Christmas Carols, Tynefield Court

Wednesday 19th, 4pm Benefice Prayers, St Michael's

Future events

14 Jan Jacket spud lunch

25 Jan Youthscape Launchpad celebration

24 Jan Strictly Egginton - Dance evening

Sunday Readings

	Main Service	Psalm if Required	Evensong / Notes
Sun 7th	Rom 15: 4 – 13 Matt 3: 1 – 12	Ps 72: 1 – 7	
Sun 14th	James 5: 7 – 10 Matt 11: 2 – 11	Ps 146: 4 – 10	
Sun 21st	Rom 1: 1 – 7 Matt 1: 18 – end	Ps 80: 1 – 8	Ps 113 1 Sam 1: 1 – 20 Rev 22: 6 – end
Sun 28th	Heb 2: 10 – end Matt 2: 13 – end	Ps 148	

Future Services

14th December

9.30am - Christingle

St Wilfrid's Egginton

11.00am - Holy Communion

St Helen's Etwall

11.00am Morning Worship

St Michael's Sutton on the Hill

4.00pm - Evening Prayer

All Saints Trusley

4.00pm - Carol Service

St Wilfrid's Egginton

7.00pm - Another Way Nativity

St Helen's Etwall

16th December

7.30pm - Carol Service

All Saints Trusley

19th December

6.30pm - Carol Service

St Michael's Sutton on the Hill

21st December

9.30am - Holy Communion

St Wilfrid's Egginton

11.00am - Gift Service

St Helen's Etwall

11.00am - Carol Service

All Saints Dalbury

6.30pm - Carol Service

St Helen's Etwall

24th December

See details on left

25th December

See details on left

28th December

11.00 - Joint Benefice Service

St Helen's Etwall

St. Helen's Church Etwall

Wednesday 11th December
2.00 pm – 4.00 pm School choir at
Community Hub

Sunday 21st December
6.30 pm Carol Service
Christmas Eve
5.00 pm Crib Service
11.30 pm Midnight Communion

St. Wilfrid's Church Egginton

Sunday 14th December
4.30pm Carol Service
Christmas Eve
3.00 pm Crib Service
Christmas Day
9.30 am Christmas Communion
Sunday 31st December
5pm Unofficial New Year Celebration

All Saints Church Trusley

Sunday 22nd December
7.00 pm Carol Service
Christmas Day
11.30 am Christmas Communion

All Saints Church Dalbury

Sunday 21st December
11.00 am Carol Service
Christmas Day
10.00 am Christmas Worship

St Michael's Church Sutton on the Hill

Wednesday 11th December
Brass band concert
Friday 19th December
6.30 pm Carol Service
Christmas Eve
10.00 pm Christmas Holy Communion

JOY
HAPPY CHRISTMAS

MERRY
Christmas



Prayer Diary

Please pray for the people and events taking place in our Benefice this month

01 December 2025 Our PCCs
02 December 2025 Pastoral Care team
03 December 2025 Soup Lunch
04 December 2025 Our PTOs Tony and Sarah
05 December 2025 Choir and Musicians
06 December 2025 Messy Church
07 December 2025 Our Administrator Helena
08 December 2025 Egginton Congregation
09 December 2025 Etwall Primary School
10 December 2025 Community Hub
11 December 2025 Sutton Pre School
12 December 2025 Egginton Primary School
13 December 2025 Men's Breakfast
14 December 2025 Crazy Christians
15 December 2025 Monday Club
16 December 2025 Trusley Congregation
17 December 2025 Our Care Homes
18 December 2025 Thursday Congregation
19 December 2025 John Port Spencer Academy
20 December 2025 All who are Bereaved
21 December 2025 Christmas Carol Services
22 December 2025 The housebound
23 December 2025 Sutton on the Hill Congregation
24 December 2025 All who find Christmas difficult
25 December 2025 Christ is born! Gloria in Excelsis!
26 December 2025 Those with young children
27 December 2025 Dalbury Congregation
28 December 2025 Prayer and Discussion groups
29 December 2025 Etwall Congregation
30 December 2025 Stella and the Leadership team
31 December 2025 Faithful 5 Benefice Vision for 2026

They all joined together constantly in prayer

Acts 1:14