CONTACT

(Funded by donations) Crook Peak Parish Community Magazine December 2025 & January 2026 Edition

Local news, views, and events from around the villages of: **Badgworth, Biddisham, Christon, Compton Bishop, Loxton, Weare** ... and everywhere in between.

Pete and Jane Murray hope you all have a HAPPY CHRISTMAS and a PEACEFUL NEW YEAR!

We wish everyone in Crook Peak a Blessed
Christmas season and a Happy New Year.
We pray that you may know the peace that
the love of God can bring.
Gary and Ruth Orriss

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to Everyone in our New West Mendip Benefice From Helen and Steve with Love Xxxx



"Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all our friends, with love" from David, Jill and Kate

"A happy and peaceful Christmas to all"

Jackie and Paul Wattam

Wishing everyone a happy and peaceful Christmas with love

Kerry & Stephen McColgan xx

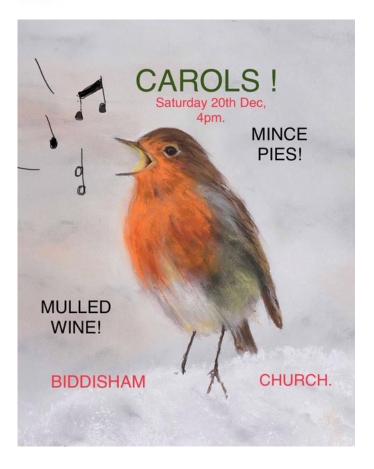
Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year. From Joy and Patrick

'David Parker wishes all in the parish a healthy, happy and fulfilling Christmas'.

A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR TO ALL, FROM JEAN PICKERING AND FAMILY.

Merry Christmas to everyone in Crook Peak Parish from the villagers in Biddisham.

To Friends, Neighbours & the Church, wishing you all a very Happy Christmas & all God's blessings in 2026 from Denise Cooper



Kieran and staff at The Frankie Howerd Community Hub and Cafe wish all our customers a very merry Christmas and happy New Year.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Shoe Box Appeal this year for Blythswood Care. We sent 35 which was a great number. They will soon be on their way to Ukraine & Eastern Europe in time for Christmas. Denise Cooper

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	DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	CORRESPONDENTS					
	DECEMBER	Badgworth Debra Anderson					
Dec 3		Loxton & Philip Davies Christon (07881630629)					
Dec 5		Compton Bishop	Situation Vacant				
Dec 8	12.30pm The Hub -Loxton Christmas Lunch	Biddisham	Claire Talbot				
Dec 11	10am-12noon Cross Memorial Hall – Coffee morning & Book/puzzle swap	Cover Jane Murray					
Dec 12	5.30pm The Community Hub Festivities & turning on of Christmas Tree Lights	Treasurer: Paul Wattam (732413)					
Dec 13	7.30pm St. Andrews, Compton Bishop – Christmas Concert King Alfred's Concert Band – Tickets £15 in advance. (Heather 07795 006732 & Pauline 732735)	Weare	Hilary Hugh (hdhugh@btinternet.com)				
Dec 14	4pm Loxton Church – Carol Service	Distribution	Pat Northmore (07788671194)				
Dec 20	4pm Biddisham Church – Village Carol Service	Editor	Bob Foster rmfoster10@yahoo.co.uk				
Dec 21		From the Editor: Please ensure your submissions for the (Feb/Mar) edition arrive in my inbox between 12-14 Jan rmfoster10@yahoo.co.uk. (if you need to send your contribution earlier then Gary can accept them to his email address before Jan 12 'crookpeak6in1@gmail.com') Come and join us to sing carols! All six of Crook Peak's Churches are hosting services for you to enjoy during the Christmas season. Very often with mince pies as well! During Advent, the 10.00 am service will 'count down' to Christmas Day every week by lighting a candle on the Advent wreath and singing the next verse of the Advent carol. There are carol services at Loxton					
Dec 21	4pm Badgworth church – Lessons & Carols - Traditional service with choir						
Dec 22							
Dec 22							
Dec 24	4pm Compton Bishop Church – Crib Service						
Dec 24	11pm Compton Bishop Church – Midnight Communion						
Dec 25	10am Weare Church – Christmas Celebration						
Dec 31	10am Weare Church – Christmas Celebration Loxton Village Hall – New Year's Eve Party						
	JANUARY						
Jan 6	7pm Loxton village hall - Loxton parish council meeting						
Jan 7	7.30pm Cross Hall -Women's Fellowship. Light Supper providedAll welcome. Speaker: Malcolm Owen–Fair Trade (fairly traded food on sale)						
Jan 8	10am-12noon Cross Memorial Hall – Coffee morning & Book/puzzle swap		on 14 th December, Biddisham on				
Jan 9	7pm Cross Hall ACA Speaker Joe Tristram, North Somerset Green Party Councillor. "The Green Party's approach to biodiversity".	Saturday 20 th , Badgworth on 21 st , all at 4pm, and the 10am on 21 st at Christon as well as the Crib Service (4pm) and Midnight Communion both at Compton Bishop on Christmas Eve, and of course 10am on Christmas Day at Weare.					
Jan 30	10.30am-12.00 Weare church room - Parish coffee morning + book swap. All welcome						
Jan 30	7pm Cross Hall - Cross Connections Extravaganza Quiz Night. 3 Course Meal. BYO drinks. Teams of 4-6. £20 per head. Prize for the Best Dressed Table. To book text 07918 656670						
FEBRUARY							
Feb 4	7.30pm Cross Hall - Women's Fellowship. Anita Granum, Norwegian Clothes & Customs.	Light Supper. All	welcome. By Donation				
	MARCH						
Mar 14	Mar 14 Notice from Biddisham's Claire Talbot – Keep this date free for a Country & Western evening – Music & Food						

Car scheme The Crook Peak Community Car Scheme offers help in transporting patients for medical appointments at local surgeries and hospitals. A message can be left on 07572336605. Some one will return your call asking for details of the request and you will be notified once a driver has been found. There would be a small contribution dependant on the destination. We are also happy to receive offers from drivers who are willing to help with this valuable service.

WEARE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION - a small charity established for the benefit of young people in the parish of Weare. Grant applications should be made to The Trustees, C/O Paul Wattam, Henmore Lane, Weare BS26 2LB

From: crookpeakparish@hotmail.co.uk

Dear All,

At this time of year, looking towards the future for many is full of expectation and excitement, but for some it is tinged with sadness. We are approaching the season of Advent, which for a lot of us is a time of preparation for Christmas. A time when we buy presents, extra food and look forward to seeing family and friends. For some it can be a time of sadness highlighting the painful loss of loved ones or other life changing events. For the church as a whole, Advent is doubly a time of preparation, firstly for the second coming of Christ and secondly as preparation for Christmas. It is a busy time, with the added excitement of carol services and our other traditional Christmas services (please see the notice for these elsewhere in CONTACT), you are all warmly invited. I look forward to sharing these times with as many of you as can come. The highlight for me is the Crib Service at 4.00pm on Christmas Eve. A short interactive service aimed at those under eight, but enjoyed by all. We sing simple songs, tell the Christmas story and build a crib scene using knitted figures. For us in Crook Peak Parish, the season of Advent and Christmas this year will be tinged with some sadness as we remember our vicar to be, Rev Alistair and his health. We are praying for his healing and looking forward to the formation of our delayed new benefice in 2026. I hope to see many of you over this Christmas period whether in church or out and about. Ruth and I pray that you will have a blessed, happy and peaceful Christmas and we wish you a prosperous New Year.

Gary (Lay Minister Crook Peak Parish).

PRAYER CHAIN LETTER

GOOD NEWS: THE BIRTH OF JESUS

"There were shepherds living out in the fields near by, keeping watch over their flocks by night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them. "Do not be afraid, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger'" Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying. GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST AND ON EARTH PEACE TO MEN ON WHOM HIS FAVOUR RESTS."

Luke 2 verses 8 - 14

With all the commercialism of Christmas, in the shops and on the television it is easy to forget what we are celebrating. And what it is all about. Many of us have been blessed with children and perhaps grandchildren and know the joy they bring us. The miraculous thing is that if we accept Jesus as our saviour, God promises that we become children of His with all the blessings this brings. Thank you Lord for your wonderful gift. Do, please, ring with any prayer requests 01934 750856





SHOE BOX APPEAL Thank you to everyone who supported the Shoe Box Appeal this year for Blythswood Care. We sent 35 which was a great number. They will soon be on their way to Ukraine & Eastern Europe in time for Christmas. Denise Cooper

Saturday 13th December Christmas Concert at St. Andrews, Compton Bishop

Join us and King Alfreds Concert Band at 7.30pm for Christmas music and readings at St. Andrews Church Compton Bishop. Tickets are £15 in advance, include light refreshments from Heather Dean 07795 006732 and Pauline Warner 01934 732735. Proceeds toward essential external work

Axbridge Trefoil Guild On Monday December 8th the Trefoil Guild Carol singalong will be in the Hub Conference Centre behind St John's in Church Lane, Glastonbury, then on the 9th we will have our annual Christmas lunch at the Lamb at Weare (booking required). In the New Year on January 13th we will return to our usual meeting place, Cheddar Catholic Church Room and usual time of 2pm and have a visiting speaker from the RNLI. If you would like to join us, or for more information on Trefoil Guild please contact Sue on 01749 870239 or email swild34@hotmail.com

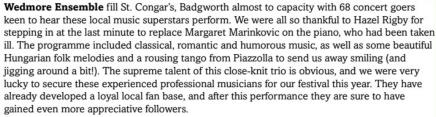
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CROOK PEAK MUSIC FESTIVAL 2025

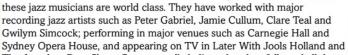
Our four early evening concerts this September opened on Tuesday 9th with a **Concert Harp Recital** given by virtuoso harpist Mary Reid. She travelled from her home in Scotland to perform for us again having played at the first Music Festival in 2018. Mary filled St. Andrew's Compton Bishop with the sumptuous sound of her ornately decorated concert harp. The audience of 52 was treated to a programme chosen to show off the range of the concert harp; with classical, modern and folk music played with exquisite skill and panache by Mary. The audience were invited to take a closer look at the intricacies of Mary's beautiful harp after the recital, which they very much enjoyed.



The second concert on Tuesday 16th, saw the



We were at St. Gregory's, Weare on Tuesday 23rd, for the **Jazz Trio**, Adam's Apple. The sun, which we have come to expect during our September concert series, shone brightly on the 52 people who came to experience some mellow jazz arrangements of well-known and well-loved hymns. The credentials of



The Jonathan Ross Show. Can you really believe that they followed all that with St. Gregory's, Weare! The musicians were thrilled with the engaged feedback from their enthusiastic Somerset audience.





The fourth and final concert of this year's music festival was at St. Mary's, Christon with 'Music For A While' – a **Song Recital** given by Debra and Robert Anderson. Thankfully the sun remained to cast a golden glow on the audience of 54, enjoying their festival drinks and chatting with their neighbours in this magical churchyard setting. Debra entertained us with a programme of songs which was ambitiously diverse, starting with Handel and Purcell and finishing with Gershwin and Kern, with some Novello and Art Songs in between, all of which suited her lovely voice. She was ably accompanied by Robert, with some difficult and flashy piano music. With hardly a spare seat in St. Mary's, the packed audience was generous in their appreciation of this local duo - such a joy!

This was a fitting end to a festival of four very different concerts and church venues. It was evident from people's reactions to the various churches that the chance to experience the "magical setting" of St. Mary's Christon and the unexpected delight of discovering a church they had never visited before despite living in the area for years, has been a very positive consequence of the Crook Peak Music Festival. I think we can agree that our beautiful parish churches play a significant role in the success of our music festival.

A big thank you is owed to the musicians and all those who helped to make this year's music festival such a success. To the churchwardens and volunteers who prepared their churches with such love and care; to Graham Catley who generously donated his beer and his time, serving kegged beer in each of our four venues; and lastly to our wonderful audiences who totalled two hundred and twenty-six people over the course of the month. We are pleased to say, that after expenses and musicians' fees were deducted, the festival raised over £650 for the church fabric funds of participating church venues. The financial success of this year's festival ensures the future of the Crook Peak Music Festival for another year. Next year's festival will begin on Tuesday 8th September 2026. Thank you for supporting the Crook Peak Music Festival.

News from the Villages

Badgworth

Robert Anderson writes...

Badgworth Bell Ringing Academy
The Badgworth tower continues as a teaching centre of excellence in bell ringing under the enthusiastic guidance of John Dunstone and friends. Sessions are held on Wednesday evenings (with silenced bells) Thursday morning and Thursday evenings. We have recently started sessions at Compton Bishop to alternate with Badgworth. There has been significant wear and tear on the ropes at Badgworth and all five ropes have recently been replaced at a cost of £250. Also the rope guides have been replaced at a cost of £200. This cost has been met by the bell ringers who contribute to a maintenance fund. The ropes were fitted by John Dunstone who did not charge for his time and expertise. Robert Anderson (Tower Captain)

The Crook Special Choir The choir continue to meet every Monday evening in St Congar's Badgworth for choir practice directed by Debra Anderson. The choir sang a cathedral style Choral Evensong at St Congar's as part of the 2025 Crook Peak Music Festival and recently led the singing at St Gregory's Weare in the Remembrance Day service. The choir has been invited by Weare Academy to sing at their Christmas Fayre on Friday 28th November. This fulfils our original vision of a choir for the whole parish.

St Congar's Badgworth Carol Service The Carol service at St Congar's is on Sunday 21st December at 4.00pm. Come and hear the traditional retelling of the Christmas Story with seven lessons and congregational carols. The Crook Peak Special Choir will lead the singing and contribute additional inspirational Christmas music. Seasonal refreshments will be served after the service. All welcome!

Cross & Compton Bishop

Jane Murray writes ...October and November have seen a bumper crop of apples, resulting in Thatchers' tractors and trailers trundling through the village as well as boxes of apples offered free on many doorsteps – it should "keep the doctor away" for many days to come! There was also a lovely crop of (crocheted) poppies for Remembrance on the church gates thanks to Lorraine Madeline. They were much admired by the Axbridge branch of the British Legion when they made their annual visit to lay a wreath at 11.00 on the 11th of the 11th. The weekend before, we had a well-supported churchyard working party, much enhanced by the useful youngsters present!

We are all getting older though and sadly we have lost a familiar face as Caroline Woolley from Rackley has died. She was a frequenter of the Cross Coffee Morning and always interesting to talk to. I shall miss learning about sheep dog trials, sheep-rearing, and many other subjects on which she was knowledgeable.

Cross & Compton Bishop (cont)

Jane Murray writes (cont) As I write this, we are looking forward to our annual Soup Lunch raising funds to keep the church insured so that we can hold events such as the Carol Concert on December 13th organised by the Friends of Compton Bishop church. Do come along to that, or the Crib Service (geared to children from 0 to 90) on Christmas Eve, or Midnight Communion – or all three! Or, if you prefer to sing carols outside, join us in the White Hart car park on Monday 22nd December at 4.30. Santa may show up too!

Biddisham

Claire Talbot (churchwarden) writes... Dear villagers,

The bells are back! Hip, hip, hurray and a ding, dong, ding. We are celebrating their return with afternoon teas at 3pm on Sunday 30th November. Please support this special event as you will see how different they look from when they were taken out in the spring. We still have an outstanding amount to pay of around £1,000 and £800 for ropes. We have received a grant of £350 from The Sharpe trust and £500 from the Axbridge 50:50 members, which is wonderful. If you could make one final donation we will have achieved our target and in such a short time. Thank you.

Biddisham Church Christmas cards will go on sale at the afternoon teas. They are being sold in aid of the bell restoration funds. One Pack of 5 cards for £10.00 They will also be available from Claire @ Windermere. I will leave a card in the church porch for you to see.

Our village carol service is on Saturday 20th December at 4pm. This is a really special village gathering. With lots of happy smiles, mince pies and mulled wine. We will be ringing the tower bells to celebrate their return. If there are any children that would like to decorate the crib; let me know so we can fix a convenient date for everyone who is interested. Please could the Christmas flower decorations be in place in plenty of time for the carol service, thank you.

In November we had the electrics checked and the fire extinguishers serviced. We have paid up the building insurance and so thank you Biddisham villagers. The final draw of the year will be at the carol service. In the new year I will collect the 2026 membership. The village quiz in November was a great success. Well done to the winning team. The village look forward in the spring to a rematch as we all want to win the amazing trophy!!!! Save the date 21st March. A big welcome to all new villagers who have moved to Biddisham over the past few months and welcome back Liz and Mark.

Lastly, there is going to be a village event on Saturday 14th March - a Country & Western country music evening with great food. You are welcome to wear stetsons and boots!

Wishing you all a very happy time with family and friends this Christmas.

News from the Villages (Cont)

Weare

Hilary Hugh writes.. There's a lot going on in the village this month to get us all into the Christmassy spirit! We start off with a Coffee Morning and book swap in the Church Room on Friday 28th November from 10.30 am until 12 noon. There will be plenty of delicious homemade cakes to enjoy.

You are welcome to join friends and neighbours to sing carols around the village Christmas tree outside the church on Saturday 29th November from 4.30pm. There will be homemade mince pies and mulled wine with soft drinks for the children. Donations towards the cost of the Christmas tree and refreshments would be appreciated on the night - there will be a pot for donations inside the church next to the mince pies and mulled wine on the night and, new for 2025, a contactless payment widget for those of us who carry very little cash these days! Thank you, donations are greatly appreciated! The Christmas tree lights will be switched on at 5.30pm followed by carol singing around the tree.

For those of you who haven't been involved before or if you are new to the village, we have a tradition that started some twenty years ago which acts as an alternative to sending Christmas cards to your neighbours. Each family is invited to provide a weatherproof decoration with your family name and greeting attached, which you can hang on the Village Christmas Tree, or, if you would prefer, please give it to Alex Hemming at Albecq Cottage before the 29th November.

If you are planning on putting up outdoor lights for Christmas you might wish to switch them on and light up the village for everyone's walk to the carol singing!

Another event which is fast becoming a tradition is the We'are Christmas Crackers! Now in its sixth year, we'll be running, walking, toddling, cycling or scooting around the village loop to raise money for Weston Hospice. Please join in the fun wearing festive attire even if its only tinsel in your hair! This will be on Sunday 14th December at 10am, meeting outside Manor Cottage, Sparrow Hill Way at 9.45 am for a fun warm-up! Everyone can join in, just turn up on the day or phone Suzanne in advance on 07714127574. Neighbours are invited to come out of their houses to cheer everyone on and if you would like to donate to Weston Hospice there will be a donation pot in the front porch at Manor Cottage or please put an envelope through the letter box. This isn't a race, its just a bit of fun!

Thank yous are always important but as Christmas approaches it feels appropriate to acknowledge all the kind and generous people who do so much for our village. There are many of these wonderful people who keep on giving to make our village the special place it is. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Weare (cont)

Sarah Pettifer writes... Our thanks go to John Webley who compiled a second quiz for us on October 3rd. The church room was filled to capacity with eager quizzers who were challenged on a variety of subjects. A really successful fun evening .Well done to everyone who took part and to the Windmill Girls who retained the trophy for a second time. We continue to make progress with improvements to the church room which include a new kitchen door and short ramp which replaces the step from the main room into the kitchen. Monies raised from the quiz night will go towards our next project which is permanent lighting for the church room footpath.

Loxton & Christon

Philip Davies writes... The Spooky Bonfire Night party at Hullabaloos soft drinks plant in Loxton was a great success. At the beginning of October the community bus took local residents from Loxton, Christon, Weare and Axbridge on a brilliant day out to Abergavenny Market, Brecon and Monmouth returning via the Wye Valley. Days out in the community bus will recommence in the spring. At the recent parish council meeting councillors were delighted to hear that after years of campaigning the road surfaces of Church Lane and Hillview Road in Loxton have been repaired. The Axe River Board has also confirmed that the Loxton rhyne, which runs from its confluences with the River Axe in White House Lane and the Lox Yeo by the M5, will be dredged again this year although dredging has been delayed.

The Loxton Christmas Party will be held at the Village Hall on Friday 5th December from 6.30pm with Santa arriving at 7pm. There will be a tombola and Christmas food available in the form of Winter Rolls (pigs in blankets with stuffing). To welcome in 2026 there will once again be a big New Year's Eve Party at the hall with live coverage from London.

The Frankie Howerd Community Hub wishes to thank Mike Russell and his family for once again donating a splendid 5 metre Christmas Tree for The Hub. One of my favourite annual jobs is to go with Mike into their Christmas tree forest at Christon and select the tree which is then kindly delivered to The Hub by Loxton Garage. If you want a fresh tree this year then I recommend you do the same. The plantation is on the left between Christon and the bridge crossing the M5. Children (and adults) will just love choosing their very own tree. Once again The Hub tree will be adorned with over 3000 lights with the official turning on taking place on Friday, December 12th at 5.30pm. Everyone's welcome to join this festive occasion with carol singing, complimentary mulled wine and mince pies and a free gift for children. You will also be able to have evening dinner at The Hub as Kieran will be making a home made festive pie served with chips or mash and vegetables. Pies will also be available to take away.

Christmas Village Lunch will be at The Hub on Monday December 8th 12.30pm. This will be a three course Christmas dinner with all the trimmings and complimentary drink. £20 per head (booking essential) 07881630629 or email frankiehowerds@btinternet.com Free transport for residents in BS26.

Please note that The Hub will be closed from Monday, January 12th until Tuesday 20th whilst the kitchen is being transferred to the new extension. The former kitchen space will then become available for a village shop.

WHO'S WHO IN CROOK PEAK PARISH

We are a Ley Led Parish and hold regular services across all six churches together with Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals. For general enquiries contact The Administrator. For confidential matters, email Gary Orriss on **crookpeak6in1@gmail.com** or phone **01934 733281**. All are monitored regularly and responded to as soon as possible, dealing with most urgent matters first. Please bear with us if there is a slight delay.

LAY MINISTER GARY ORRISS

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<u>Crook Peak Village Halls – Open for Bookings</u>

Cross Hall

(julietparry@hotmail.co.uk) Capacity: 50/60 seats .. Cost from £22 for 4 hours (Plenty of Parking on street)

Badgworth School Room

www.badgworthschoolroom.co.uk:

Capacity: 35/45 seats ... Cost from £15 for 4 hours

(Outdoor play .. Ping Pong ...

Parking 8 cars, plus on street ... Cycle rack)

Weare Church Room

(Anna Fox - wwjsfox@aol.com)
Capacity: 40/55 seats
Cost from £18 for 4 hours
(On street Parking)

ROTAS FOR CLEANING & FLOWERS

	Badgwo	rth	Biddisha	am	Compton	Bishop		Christon	Loxton	Weare	
2025	Flowers & Dusting	Brass	Flowers	Cleaning & Brass	Flowers	Cleaning	Brass	Flowers, Cleaning & Brass	Flowers, Cleaning & Brass	Flowers & Brass	Cleaning
Dec 7			Claire			J Murray				J Stitch	S Melhuish & A Yates
Dec 14			"								
Dec 21			66			J Craid & S Williams	O I I CIII CIII C			A Le Prevost	A Le Prevost
Dec 28			66								
Jan 4			Sheila	Shelia						A Ham	S Pettifer &
Jan 11			"	"	J Stuchbery						R Hanson
Jan 18			"	"						A Yates	A Fox & H Hugh
Jan 25			"	"		S Thorne & C Laney					
Feb			Sue	Issy	P Warner		H & D Dean			L Taylor	L Taylor

Crook Peak United Parish - Six Buildings, One Church

Services for December 2025 and January 2026

We welcome everyone to our churches, including believers of all denominations.

Please be aware that CONTACT MAGAZINE is published every two months and may not reflect short notice changes. Please check A Church Near You, WhatsApp or your emails.

We are moving towards bringing together Crook Peak, Axbridge, Rowberrow and Shipham Parishes into the new Benefice of West Mendip.

Sunday 7 Dec (1st)	9.00am Agape Meal	Weare	Romans 15:4-13, Matthew 3:1-12
Advent 2 (Purple)	10:00am Praise and Worship	Weare	
Sunday 14th Dec (2nd)	10.00am Holy Communion CW	Badgworth	James 5:7-10, Matthew 11:2-
Advent 3 (Purple)	4.00pm Carol Service	Loxton	11
Saturday 20 th Dec	4.00pm Carol Service	Biddisham	Special readings
Sunday 21" Dec (3rd) Advent 4 (Purple)	8.00am Holy Communion BCP 10.00am Morning Prayer with Carols 4.00pm Carol Service	Biddisham Christon Badgworth	Phil 4:4-7, John 1:19-28 Special readings Special readings
Wednesday 24 th Dec	4.00pm Crib Services	Compton Bishop	Special readings
Christmas Eve (White)	11.00pm Holy Communion CW	Compton Bishop	Titus 3:4-7, Luke 2:8-20
Thursday 25th Dec Christmas Day (White)	10.00am Christmas Celebration	Weare	Matthew 1:18-25
Sunday 28th Dec (4th) Christmas 1 (White)	10.00am Holy Communion CW United West Mendip Benefice	Axbridge	Special readings
Sunday 4th Jan (1th)	9.00am Agape Meal	Weare	Ephesians 1.3-14
Christmas 2 (White)	10.00am Praise and Worship	Weare	John 1:[1-9] 10-18
Sunday 11 th Jan (2 nd)	10.00am Holy Communion CW	Weare	Acts 10.34 -43
Epiphany 1 (White)	6.00pm Evening Prayer	Christon	Matthew 3.13-end
Sunday 18 th Jan (3 rd)	8.00am Holy Communion BCP	Compton Bishop	Romans 12:6-16a John 2:1-11
Epiphany 2 (White)	10.00am Morning Worship	Loxton	1 Corinthians 1:1-9
			John 1.29-42
Sunday 25 th Jan (4 th)	10.00am Holy Communion CW	Compton Bishop	Acts 9:1-22
Epiphany 3 (White)	6.00pm Evening Prayer	Badgworth	Matthew 19.27-end
Sunday 1st Feb (1st)	9.00am Agape Meal	Weare	1 Corinthians 1:18-end
Epiphany 4 (White)	10.00am Praise and Worship	Weare	John 2:1-11