

BENEFICE OF STONELEIGH WITH ASHOW, BAGINTON AND BUBBENHALL

PEWS NEWS

11TH JANUARY 2026

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST



A warm welcome to you all especially visitors or new worshippers to our churches this morning.

Collect

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. AMEN

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Bible Readings for this week
Acts 10 v 34-43 Matthew 3 v 13 to end
Isaiah 42 v 1-7

MISSION STATEMENT

- Worshipping God
- Growing in Faith
- Supporting Communities

WEEKLY DIARY

Ashow Church

Prayer Group every Wednesday 9.30 to 10.00am

Stoneleigh Church

Celtic Prayer Group every Thursday 9.30 am to 10.00am.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ashow PCC meeting 21st January 2026 2.30 pm

Baginton PCC meeting Thursday 5th February 7.00 pm

Bubbenhall PCC Thursday 19th February 7.00 pm

Stoneleigh PCC meeting Wednesday 4th March 7.00 pm Leigh Chapel

Film Night Friday 30th January

Spring Churchyard Working Party Stoneleigh Saturday 12th April 11.00am

Coffee Morning



The next coffee morning at Stoneleigh Village Club will take place on Thursday January 22nd, 2026 from 10.00 am to 11.30 am. Come along, enjoy a hot drink and catch up with friends. Everyone is welcome! £1 donation.

Thank you so much

Thank you so much for all the good wishes, prayer, cards and gifts following my knee replacement in November. It has been a hard struggle to get back to health after several problems after the operation. I will be working from home to start the new year, but hoping to be in the office on a Thursday morning depending on the weather. Thank you so much, I do not know what I would have done without the support of my church families.

Wishing you all a very Happy and Healthy New Year, Jackie, Parish Administrator.

FOREIGN CURRENCY COLLECTION



In 2027 the UK Scout Association will host the 44th World Scout Conference in London. This event acts as a Governing Body, setting the strategic direction for Scouting for the forthcoming years. There is real power in bringing people together in person and we'd like to welcome delegates from 176 National Scout Organisations to London in 2027. By having more diverse voices at conference, we can grow a stronger future for World Scouting. The Scouts have partnered with an organisation to convert left over currency into GBP, which can then be used to support those delegates who might need financial support to attend and this is where we need your help..... Can you look in your old travel wallets and drawers and dig out any old foreign currency that would otherwise be gathering dust? It could be put to good use! We can accept notes and coins of all denominations, even those that are out of circulation. For more information please see the poster at the back of Stoneleigh Church or contact Douglas Faulconbridge.

Film Night - January's film will be Downton Abbey-The Grand Finale

The third Downton Abbey movie, The Grand Finale, is set in the 1930s and focuses on Lady Mary as she navigates a public divorce scandal while the family faces a potential financial crisis. As Robert Crawley considers passing the reins to his daughter, the household must adapt to the changing social and economic climate of the era. Lady Mary finds herself ostracised, but ultimately gains the support of the staff and community, allowing her father to step back and her to take charge. Stars Hugh Bonneville, Jim Carter, Michelle Dockery, Paul Giamatti, Elizabeth McGovern and Penelope Wilton

Friday January 30th, 2026 in Stoneleigh Village Hall

Meet 6.45pm for a 7pm showing. Please can you bring a cup and plate.

Coffee, tea and pastries will be served in the interval

Entry price £4.00, to cover refreshments and room hire.

To reserve a place and a pastry call Jane on 01926 858315
by Wednesday January 28th.



Stoneleigh Church Grounds Spring Working Party.



As we begin another year of regular mowing by our team of volunteers, we give thanks to all who maintain our church yard ensuring it is looking beautiful, especially this year as we look forward to the display of daffodils planted last year. Help is now needed please from all residents of Stoneleigh and beyond on Saturday 12th April, starting at 11.00 am. Jobs would include trimming back branches, tidying up generally and washing down benches. If you have your own gardening tools, or machinery, [strimmer chainsaw] please bring them with you for your own use. Refreshment will be provided. Thank you.

Stoneleigh History Society

On Tuesday 27th January 2026, we have a double bill: First, Adrian Clarke will give us the answer to “Who put the Lanch into the Lanchester Polytechnic?”, telling us about the life of Dr Fred Lanchester. Then we shall view a film made by the late Will Blagburn, documenting the Campaign to Stop Expansion of the Airport in the first decade of the 21st century. Perhaps you were involved in this campaign yourself? All visitors would be very welcome, particularly if you have memories to share. Nora Blagburn will be adding to the film with memories of her own. Please do come along to the Village Hall for a 7.30pm start (£3 to include refreshments) or why not make 2026 the year you join the Society.



Volunteers needed at Stoneleigh

Would you be able to help making tea and coffee after the service at Stoneleigh.

Training will be given for this and other roles within the church on a Sunday morning. Please do contact the office for more information. Thank you



Prayer Focus

Please hold Petrica and Mirela in your prayers . We lift to you Reverend Robert, Audrey our Lay Reader, Fiona our Reader in training, the Church Wardens and PCC's as they serve our Lord in our four churches.

Safeguarding Information and Training

The Safeguarding Officer for Stoneleigh, Ashow and Baginton Churches is Dr. Elizabeth Penlington tel: 02476 419707 email: elizabethpenlington@talktalk.net. The Safeguarding Officer for Bubbenhall is Craig Greenway tel: 02476303918 email: stgilesbubbenhall@gmail.com For a DBS application, training or safeguarding issues, please do contact your Safeguarding Officer. The link to complete training is <https://www.coventry.anglican.org/safeguarding-training.php>

NEXT SERVICE –18th JANUARY 2026

9.30 am Celtic Service at Ashow

11.00 am Celtic Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh

READINGS

Corinthians 1 v 1 –9

John 1 v 29-42

Isaiah 49 v 1-7

Services at Stoneleigh with Ashow, Baginton and Bubbenhall Churches

Sunday 11th January 9.30 am Holy Communion Service at Ashow
11.00 am Morning Praise Service at Stoneleigh
11.00 am Holy Communion Service at Bubbenhall
4.00 pm Themed Service at Baginton

Sunday 18th January 9.30 am Celtic Service at Ashow
11.00 am Celtic Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh
11.00 am Mattins/Village Service at Bubbenhall
10.00 am Holy Communion Service at Baginton

Sunday 25th January 9.30 am Village Service at Ashow
11.00 am Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh
4.00 pm Evensong/Service at Bubbenhall
10.00 am Village Service at Baginton

Opening and Locking Stoneleigh Church

Thank you to everyone who normally opens and locks at Stoneleigh. We do have a few vacancies that require filling to keep the church open each day. Would you have time to open on a Friday morning and open and or lock on a Saturday? Or perhaps you could go on the reserve list to cover illness or holidays? Please do contact the office for more information. Thank you.

CONTACT DETAILS

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Please note that Reverend Petrica is on compassionate leave until 9th November 2025

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