

8th December 2024

Genesis 28:10-19 & John 1:43-51

St Peter's, Stoke On Tern	11:00am	Café Church with Nativity
St Michael's, Childs Ercall	9:30am	Sunday School with party after
St Luke's, Sambrook	~	Service at St Oswald's
St Oswald's, Hinstock	10:00am	Café Church with Nativity
St Swithun's, Cheswardine	10:00am 4:00pm	Holy Communion Christingle
St Mary's, Hales	3:00pm	Journey to the Crib
St Luke's, Hodnet	11:00am	Holy Communion
The Epiphany, Peplow	6:30pm	Evensong

'Sharing the love of Jesus in word and action'

EPIPHANY RETREAT DAY

Saturday 11th January

10am-4pm

**Trentham Parish Church,
Park Drive, ST4 8AB**

'Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness'

Rev Adrian Stone will be leading the day. The theme will be that of worship in the widest sense, with opportunities in the afternoon to engage in creative activities – music workshop, art, writing poetry or psalms, prayer stations and quiet space. The Closing worship will include an opportunity to receive prayer/anointing.

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Cost £22

This includes tea/coffee on arrival from 9.30 am, refreshments mid-morning and afternoon, a lunch of baked potatoes with toppings and salad; fruit/cake.

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Let us know if you require a lift or if you are able to offer a lift to someone

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Booking Forms will be available in church. Cheques Payable to CHESHH account (in an envelope with your booking form to Becky or Chris Simpson). Or Email judyunitedbenefice@gmail.com to save your place

**Deadline for Bookings and Dietary Requirements is
15th December 2024**

**United Benefice of Cheswardine, Childs Ercall, Hales, Hinstock,
Hodnet, Peplow, Sambrook, Stoke on Tern**

St Swithun's, Cheswardine

8th Dec

4:00pm



**Come and join us for our
all age Christingle Service**

Children's Nativity



Family Service

Sunday 8th December

10:00am @ St Oswald's

11:00am @ St Peter's

Sunday 15th December

10:00am @ St Swithun's

Come and join us for a special café church.
Children can join in and dress up or just watch
our ...



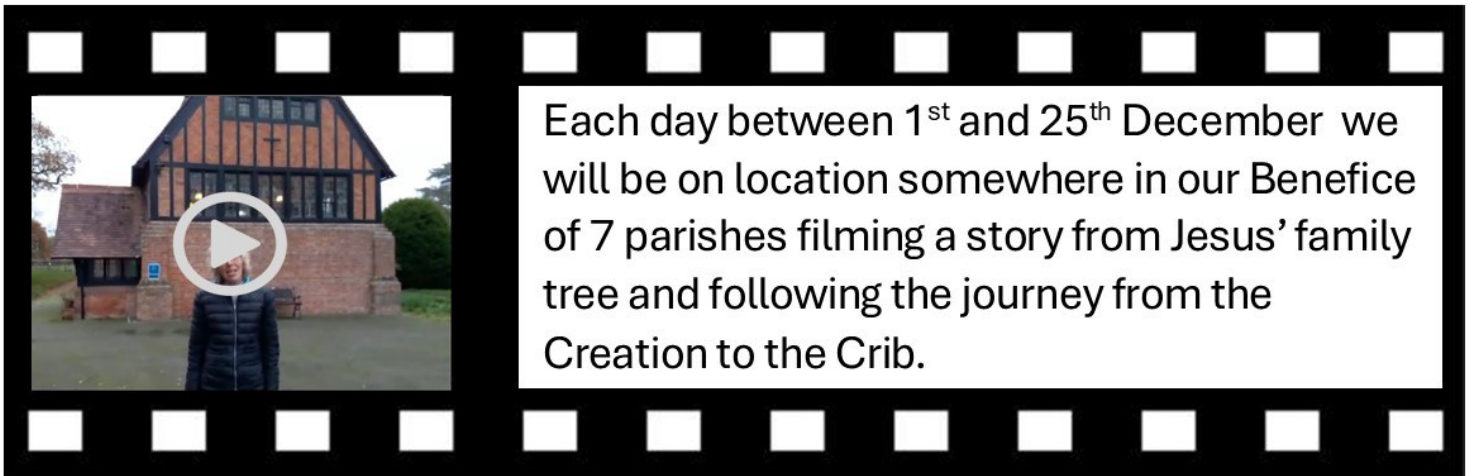
**'All Welcome, Impromptu
Nativity performance'**

It will be very informal with refreshments for all
afterwards.



Creation to Crib 2024

An Interactive Advent Journey



You can join us by watching at home, using the QR code or our website...

www.theunitedbenefice.com



And creating your own 'Jesse Tree' – with a tag to mark each story and hang on your tree.

CHALLENGE

Can you name all 25 locations where we have filmed and win a prize?



Packs of tags and instructions available from your local church or school office

December

7th	11:30am	F&H Christmas Fayre	St Swithun's
8th	10:00am	Café Church with Nativity	St Oswald's Hinstock
8th	10:00am	Café Church with Nativity	St Peter's SOT
8th	From Dusk	Illuminated Walk Switch On	St Peter's SOT
8th	4:00pm	Christingle Service	St Swithun's
8th	3:00pm	Journey to the Crib	St Mary's, Hales
15th	4:00pm	Carol Service by Candlelight	St Oswald's Hinstock
15th	10:00am	Café Church with Nativity	St Swithun's Cheswardine
15th	5:30pm	Lessons & Carols	St Luke's, Hodnet
17th	10-12pm	Community Café	Sambrook Village Hall
17th	7:00pm	Carol Service	St Mary's, Hales
18th	6:30pm	Ceilidh Carols Service	Hinstock Memorial Hall

December cont..

19th	6:00pm	Carol Service	St Michael's, Childs Ercall
20th	7:00pm	Carol Service	St Peter's SOT
21st	5:00pm	Longest Night Service	St Michael's, Childs Ercall
22nd	3:00pm	Crib Service	St Peter's SOT
22nd	6:30pm	Carol Service	St Luke's Sambrook
22nd	6:00pm	Carol Service	St Swithun's, Cheswardine
24th	3:00pm	Walk to the Crib	St Michael's, Childs Ercall
24th	3:00pm	Crib Service	St Luke's, Hodnet
24th	4:00pm	Crib Service	St Oswald's Hinstock
24th	4:30pm	Journey to the Crib	St Swithun's, Cheswardine
24th	5:00pm	Carol Service	The Epiphany, Peplow
24th	4:00pm	Crib Service	St Luke's Sambrook
24th	10:00pm	Midnight Communion	St Michael's, Childs Ercall
24th	11:30pm	Midnight Communion	St Swithun's, Cheswardine

December cont...

25th	10:00am	Family Communion	St Oswald's Hinstock
25th	10:00am	Christmas Day Family Communion	St Mary's, Hales
25th	11:00am	Christmas Day Service	St Peter's SOT
25th	11:00am	Christmas Day Service	St Luke's Sambrook
25th	11:00am	Christmas Day Communion	St Luke's, Hodnet
29th	10.30	Benefice Service	The Epiphany, Peplow

January

4th	2-3:30pm	Forest Church	St Oswald's Hinstock
11th	All Day	Epiphany Retreat Day	Trentham
12th	10:00am	Christingle Service	St Oswald's Hinstock
12th	11:00am	Christingle Service in Café Church	St Peter's SOT
25th	10-12.30	Safeguarding Training	St Peter's SOT
26th	9-12pm	Big Breakfast	Parish Hall Cheswardine

Save The Dates

16th Feb	3-5pm	Weddings Afternoon for couples getting married in 2025	St Swithun's Cheswardine
17th Feb	7-9pm	Cheswardine PCC Meeting	Cheswardine
23rd Mar	10.30am	5th Anniversary of Lockdown Reflections	Cheswardine
30th Mar	various	Mothering Sunday	All Parishes
10th Apr	7-9pm	Benefice Synod	St Peter's, SOT
29th Jun	10.30am	Festival Celebration with Bishop Sarah	St Peter's SOT
19th Jul		Hales Fete	Hales
31st Aug	10.30am	Benefice Service	St Luke's, Hodnet
5th Oct	9:00am	Safeguard Leads Meeting	The Roaches, Cheswardine
13th Nov	7-9pm	Benefice Synod, Vision & Planning	St Swithun's, Cheswardine
16th Nov	All Day	Safeguarding Sunday	
30th Nov	TBC	Candlelit Evening Celebration for Advent	Hales

Join us for Soup and Study

St Peter's, Stoke on Tern

Every 1st Friday at 12:30pm



Soup & Study Every 1st Friday

We will be meeting on Fridays at 12:30pm, in St Peter's, Stoke on Tern. to share a warming soup lunch and look at the bible together.

Please let Tracy Waters know by the Tuesday before if you'd like to join us, so we can organise the catering.
Email: tracyvodka@hotmail.co.uk
Tel: 01952 244563

**6th September
4th October
1st November
6th December**

In aid of local groups and Charities

Christmas Fair

Saturday 7th Dec

11:30am - 3:30pm

Cheswardine Church

Turkey Trot @ 3:30pm

Turkey Baps

Carols

Christmas Light Switch On

Craft and Gift Stalls

Refreshments



FREE
FAMILY
EVENT



St Peter's , Stoke on Tern
Dec 8th to 6th Jan

Illuminated Nativity Walk

Walk through the churchyard and follow the nativity story



15th at 4:00pm—St Oswald's—Hinstock

15th at 5:30pm—St Luke's—Hodnet

22nd at 6:30pm—St Luke's—Sambrook

17th at 7:00pm— St Mary's—Hales

18th at 6:30pm—Ceilidh Carols
Hinstock Memorial Hall

19th at 6:00pm—St Michael's—Childs Ercall

20th at 7:00pm—St Peter's—Stoke on Tern

22nd at 6:00pm—St Swithun's—Cheswardine

24th at 5:00pm—The Epiphany—Peplow



Gems & Pebbles

10.00 – 11.00am

St Swithun's Church,
Cheswardine.



For Pre-school children and their carers.
Babies welcome too.

We have a little story from the bible, along with songs, dancing, snack and hot drinks for the parents and crafts to take home.

No need to book, just come along to see what we get up to.

We look forward to seeing you!

**Every Friday
during term time**

'Sharing the love of Jesus in word and action'

SERVICE *of the* LONGEST NIGHT

A quiet meditative
service for those
experiencing sadness
or grief of any kind
over the Christmas
period.



**Saturday 21st December 2024
5:00pm St Michael's, Childs Ercall**

Christmas Crib Services



SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER

St Peter's Church - Stoke on Tern- 3:00pm

CHRISTMAS EVE

St Michael's Church - Childs Ercall - 3:00pm

St Luke's Church - Sambrook- 4:00pm

St Oswald's Church - Hinstock - 4:00pm

St Swithun's Church - Cheswardine - 4:30pm

St Luke's Church - Hodnet - 3:00pm

United-Benefice of Cheswardine, Childs-Ercall, Hales, Hinstock, Hodnet, Peplow, Sambrook, Stoke on Tern

COME ALONG TO OUR

COMMUNITY

WOOL CRAFT GROUP



At Hales and District Club,
Almington road, Hales, TF9 2PP

Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

7-9pm. Free to all!

Learn to knit, crochet, weave or felt!
or just come for a chat!

Materials provided to get you started or
bring your own project.

Bar open! Tea & Coffee available.

Contact Lucy for more
information - 07540342001



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CHRISTMAS PARTY

JOIN US FOR A JOLLY
GOOD TIME!

15TH DECEMBER 12PM-4PM

DRESS CODE: FESTIVE ATTIRE

CHESWARDINE PARISH HALL, CHESWARDINE, TF9 2RS

Join us in bringing
people together
during this festive
season in the Rural
community!

Festive food, drink,
crafts and activities
available for
children.

**HO-HO-HOPE TO SEE
YOU THERE!**

RSVP: 07535223542

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Christmas Eve Midnight Communion

St Michael's Childs Ercall 10:00pm
St Swithun's, Cheswardine 11:30pm

Christmas Day Family Communion

Hales	10:00am
Hinstock	10:00am
Hodnet	11:00am
Sambrook	11:00am
Stoke on Tern	11:00am