

# The Villager

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The community newsletter for Mapledurwell  
Up Nately, Nately Scures and Newnham

*Season's Greetings*

The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, has published a short book for Advent called *Let it Slow*. His basic premise is that many of us live fragmented and frantic lives, that we are often in touch with everyone and everything but have somehow lost touch with ourselves. He notes that at Christmas time the demands and expectations that we experience each day are at their worst.

The Archbishop wonders if Christmas is an opportunity to re-set; an opportunity to draw together the fragments of our lives and live in a more holistic way. Perhaps, he muses, the

Christmas story with its joys and promises can help us to put life back together again in a more satisfying and less fragmented way.

My prayer this Christmas is that the reality of God with us – Immanuel – can restore some kind of peace and sense of belonging. That the incarnation might remind us that we are never alone and are always loved by the one who called us into being.

On behalf of the whole of the clergy and ministry team across our 12 churches, may I wish you a truly blessed and joy-filled Christmas.

Rev Simon Butler



## Benefice Christmas Services 2022

*Wishing you a very happy and blessed Christmas*

*from the clergy and ministry team across the North Hampshire Downs Benefice*

Sunday 11th December

**Christingle** Weston Patrick 10am

**Christingle** Herriard 4pm

**Carol Service** Greywell 4.30pm

**Carol Service** South W/borough 4.30pm

**Christingle** Upton Grey 4.30pm

**Advent Evensong** Tunworth 5pm

Saturday 17th December

**Carol Service** Newnham 4pm

**Carol Service** Weston Patrick 5pm

Sunday 18th December

**Carol Service** Herriard 10.15am

**Carol Service** Nately Scures 11am

**Informal Carol Service** Odiham 11am

**Carol Service** Odiham 6pm

**Carol Service** Upton Grey 6pm

**Carol Service** Long Sutton 6.30pm

**Carol Service** Up Nately 6.30pm

Wednesday 21st December

**Carol Singing**

with The Real Nativity Herriard 5pm

Friday 23rd December

**Carol Service** Mapledurwell 5pm

Saturday 24th December

**Christingle** Odiham 4pm

**Crib Service** South Warnborough 4.30pm

**Crib Service** Up Nately 4.30pm

**Crib Service** Upton Grey 4.30pm

**Holy Communion** S W/borough 10.30pm

**Holy Communion** Odiham 11pm

**Holy Communion** Long Sutton 11.15pm

**Holy Communion** Herriard 11.30pm

**Holy Communion** Nately Scures 11.30pm

Sunday 25th December

**Family Service** Long Sutton 9.30am

**Family Service** Mapledurwell 9.30am

**Family Service** Up Nately 9.30am

**Family Service** Herriard 10am

**Holy Communion** Weston Patrick 10am

**Family Service** Upton Grey 10.15am

**Family Service and Holy Communion**

Odiham 10.30am

**Family Communion** Newnham 10.45am

**Family Service** Greywell 11.00am

**Family Service** South W/borough 11am

**Carol Service** Tunworth 11am



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**A CHRISTMAS CONCERT**  
**ALL SAINTS' ODIHAM**

**SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER 6PM**

**Join the Jubilee Choir** for a wonderful programme of Christmas readings and music, including A Ceremony of Carols by Benjamin Britten. The choir will be conducted by Oliver Tarney and Thomas Edney, with Ben Cunningham playing the organ.

Tickets are £20, free for under 18s, and are available from [www.jubileechoir.com](http://www.jubileechoir.com), Katharine Jane in Odiham High Street or Lynn Lymer on 01256 701947.

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# Mapledurwell & Up Nately



Join us at the Village Hall for

## Christmas Wreath Making Saturday, 3rd December

10am – 1pm

£55 \*

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jayne@gmail.com

\* Includes all materials  
required to make your  
Christmas wreath

[www.mapledurwellvillagehall.co.uk/](http://www.mapledurwellvillagehall.co.uk/)

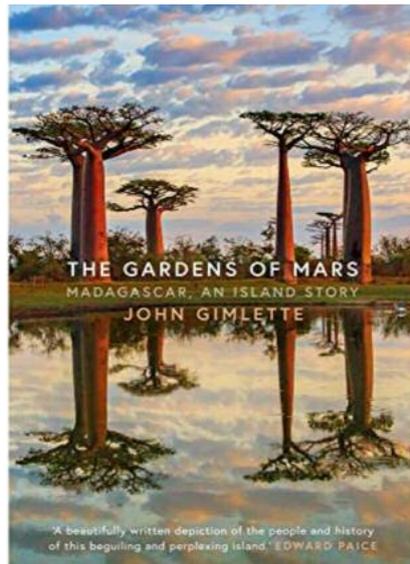
## JOHN GIMLETTE TALK ON MADAGASCAR 7.30pm Monday 23 January

Tunworth PCC is delighted that the celebrated author and excellent speaker, John Gimlette, will be talking about his book on Madagascar, *The Gardens of Mars*, to raise funds for the church.

The event will take place at Mapledurwell Village Hall.

Tickets are £25 net of Eventbrite commission and the link is:

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/john-gimlette-discusses-his-new-book-about-madagascar-tickets-465656078867](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/john-gimlette-discusses-his-new-book-about-madagascar-tickets-465656078867)



## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

22/03089/HSE (Validated 15 Nov) Fieldside, Heather Lane. Erection of single storey front extension, oak porch and front dormer window

22/02935/TDC (Validated 03 Nov) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road. Technical details consent relating to the design, access, landscape, services and scale of the barn in accordance with Permission in Principle ref 20/00009/PIP (granted at Appeal) for conversion of agricultural building to 1 no. dwelling.  
22/02818/ROC (Validated 21 Oct) The Egg Yard, Greywell Road, Mapledurwell. Variation of conditions 1, 3 and 10 of 20/02124/FUL to allow for revised design and update to landscaping and finishes condition and removal of condition 11 relating to garages.

22/02710/PIP (Validated 17 Oct) Land Adjacent To Blaegrove House, Blaegrove Lane. Permission in Principle for the erection of one new dwelling.

22/02562/HSE (Granted 07 Nov) Parrotts, Greywell Road, Mapledurwell. Proposed new detached garage.

22/02454/FUL (Granted 28 Oct) Parrotts, Greywell Road. Erection of a detached dwelling (following approval of Planning in Principle 22/01088/PIP).

22/02416/FUL (Pending 26 Aug) Riverview House, London Road. Extensions including an additional floor and a three storey rear extension to provide nine additional one-bedroom flats. [Total 17 x one-bed flats.]

22/02349/FUL (Pending 19 Aug) Land Opposite The Laurels, Heather Lane. One new dwelling with associated detached car port, parking and landscaping.

22/02210/RET (Pending 05 Aug) Priors Farmhouse. Variation of Condition 2 of 15/04301/FUL to allow continued use as Class E children's nursery to 31/08/2032.

22/01267/HSE and 22/01268/LBC (Granted 01 Nov) Blaegrove House. Installation of replacement windows and external doors.

21/01777/RET (Pending 24 May 2021) Gamekeepers. Hardstanding plus seven downlighters (retrospective).

21/00827/FUL (Pending 20 April 2021, new documents Oct/Nov 2022) Land opposite Hillside, Heather Lane. Change of use to dog walking area and off road parking; gate, fence and shed.

## TREE APPLICATIONS

T/00445/22/TCA (Validated 19 October) Crosswater Cottage, Frog Lane. T1 Ash: Fell to ground level.

## APPEAL LODGED

21/00107/PIP (Refused BDBC 19 April 2022) Permission in Principle for the residential development for a maximum of six dwellings. (Note now officially six as opposed to original nine dwellings.) BDBC Appeal ref 22/00042/REF. Waiting for an Inspector to be assigned.

## NOTES FROM THE NOVEMBER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Local Plan Update and housing numbers** Basingstoke & Deane's October Full Council meeting agreed unanimously in favour of local decision making, specifically with regard to housing numbers. (As reported in last month's *Villager*, see also overleaf.) The Parish Council fully supports the Borough Council's position.

**Finance** A Precept for 2023/24 of £10,842 (5% increase) was agreed. Calculated on this year's tax base, the sum is £36.81 per band D household, an annual increase of £1.75. (Bearing in mind will be double this for band H and half for band A.)

**Bonfire and fireworks** are cancelled for this year. The Parish Council is in favour for the future of some form of event which brings everyone from the two parishes together. And noting the success of the Jubilee event with thanks again to all involved.

**Village Hall Update** The Committee are applying for grants wherever possible. The application to the Parish and Parish & Town Council Investment Fund to improve energy efficiency was successful, the required Energy Efficiency Audit complete and the first phase of works about to start.

The first phase includes – replacing all lighting fittings with LEDs – converting the hot water supply to include a timer unit – replacing hobs with low energy consumption induction units – building fabric insulation.

**Parish defibrillators** have received a manufacturer's software upgrade. This for the Parish Council units at the Gamekeepers and the Up Nately phone box, and also the Village Hall unit. Please contact the clerk or parish councillors if you are interested in a defibrillator / first aid training session.

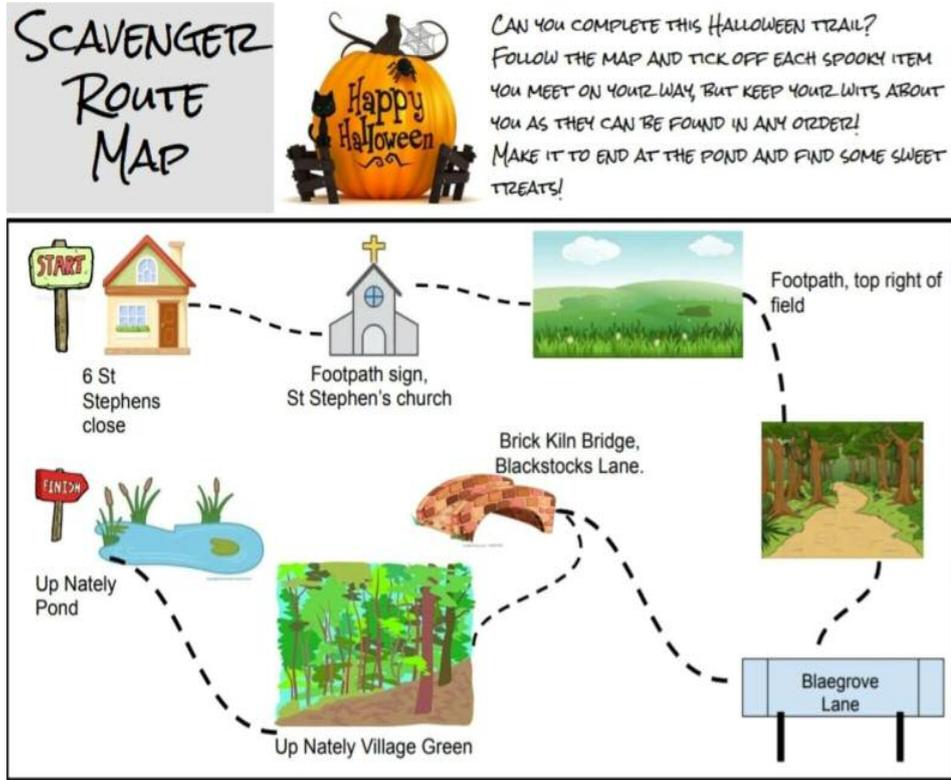
**Allotment update** The Allotment Apiary has had a successful first year with two Queens sharing a hive. For winter site maintenance (eg clearing the stream channels) to arrange further visits from the Community Payback team.

**Next Parish Council meeting**  
Wednesday 18th January 7pm  
in the Village Hall meeting room.  
Everyone welcome.

**NEWS FROM UP NATELY** Children in the village had fun following the Halloween Trail, finding clues and treats along the way, thank you Charlotte for organising, this has become an annual event!

**A very warm welcome** to Karen and Lee Ham who have moved into Twine Rose Cottage, we hope you will be happy in our village.

**Season's Greeting and Happy New Year** As the end of the year approaches, please remember your neighbours while having fun!



**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
November update

**Support for warm winter hubs**

Community organisations, including Parish Councils, can apply for a grant of up to £5,000 to develop and host Warm Hubs where people can gather. This might be in the form of a regular coffee morning or the provision of a shared activity. Creative ideas and concepts to deliver support, especially to our most vulnerable residents are particularly welcome. [www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/leaders-community-grants](http://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/leaders-community-grants)

**National Census Data** can now be viewed on maps published by the Office for National Statistics [www.ons.gov.uk/census/maps](http://www.ons.gov.uk/census/maps).

**Hants Police & Crime Commissioner annual Precept Consultation** to 4 December at [www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/consultations/precept-consultation](http://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/consultations/precept-consultation)

**PCC Donna Jones has also published her Annual Report** [www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Annual-Report-2022.pdf](http://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Annual-Report-2022.pdf)

**UP NATELY HALLOWEEN SCAVENGER HUNT**



<p>Flutter, flutter little bat, How I wonder where you're at?</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Witch's hat so straight and high, look up for it in the sky.</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>I'm an orange spider, can you look for me? I'm hiding somewhere high, maybe in a tree.</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Little black cat, little black cat. Have a look around and see where I'm sat.</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>A pumpkin is sitting on a wall, watch out carefully in case it falls!</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>We use our webs to make a nest, if you're brave enough to touch us be our guest!</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Look out for a goblet shaped like a skull, with yucky sludge it's really full!</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>I'm a skeleton, boney and white. Don't come too close I might give you a fright!</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Look for a candle on this track, look down low as it is short and black.</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>A creepy pumpkin ghost with boney fingers, tick this one off quickly and don't dare linger!</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>At Blackstocks bridge, before you double back, there's a bird sitting who is very black.</p>  <input type="checkbox"/>	



# Newnham & Nately Scures



An invitation to the Newnham Carol Service at 4pm on Saturday 17th December, followed by mulled wine and mince pies



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## 'NEWNHAM NOVELS'

Donate the books you have read and buy another for 50p. Hundreds to choose from. Newnham Novels raised £27 on 19th November and will organise a new date after Christmas. All proceeds towards maintenance of the Clubroom



Thank you! To the Richmonds for organising and everyone who helped with the litter pick.

## NEWNHAM COMMUNITY'S



### Results of the November draw:

£100 - Richard & Fiona Fouracre; £50 - Jeff Ford; £25 - James Tschumi. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to Penny Richmond for drawing the numbers. The money the Club generates makes a significant contribution to the Church funds and the support of so many is greatly appreciated! Thank you! Carolyn Bell

## BOROUGH HOUSING NUMBERS

The Parish Council has written to express its support for the Borough Council's position that:

**'It is in the interest of our residents that a Local Plan be developed that listens to and resolves to take on board the concerns of our communities. We want a housing target in our Borough that is locally determined to meet need that is established by an objective and robust method, not the Standard Method.'**

Evidence of residents' support will help strengthen the borough's position. Please email [development.control@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:development.control@basingstoke.gov.uk)

### PLANNING REFORM - LEVELLING UP & REGENERATION BILL

The Council Leader and Ward Councillors are encouraging residents to make representations to local MPs to support amendments to the Bill that:

- Abolish mandatory housing targets, so making them advisory
- Abolish the five-year housing supply: replacing this penalty for local authorities with penalties for developers who don't build out their permissions
- Require developers to provide up front payments for infrastructure: making it easier for infrastructure partners to implement their plans
- Maintain the primacy of Local Plans: adopted local policies remain relevant to the place and situation and not replaced by national planning policies
- Reduce the power of the Planning Inspectorate to overturn local decisions - where these decisions are based on adopted local policies.

The Parish Council has written as above to Dame Maria Miller MP. Please add your voice.

[maria.miller.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:maria.miller.mp@parliament.uk)

Noting the Levelling Up & Regeneration Bill has been pulled from a key vote with 47 MPs supporting the amendment clause:

#### 'Prohibition of Mandatory Targets and Five-Year Land Supply Rule

- '1. Any housebuilding target for local planning authorities in (a) the NPPF; (b) regulations made under any enactment, or (c) a planning policy document - may only be advisory and not mandatory.
  - '2. Such targets should not be taken into account in determining planning applications.
  - '3. The NPPF must not impose an obligation on LPAs to ensure that sufficient housing development sites are available over five years or another given period.'
- 'Theresa Villiers and her core supporters, MPs Bob Seely, Greg Smith, Maria Miller, and Iain Duncan Smith, have filed 21 amendments to the Levelling Up Bill.'

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# CONSULTATION ON COUNCIL PLAN 2023-2027 & BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR 2023/24



Basingstoke & Deane's Council Plan (which is not the recently much-discussed Local Plan) lays out the context for all Borough Council strategies and funding allocation. It is the 'overarching document in the policy framework which drives the budget process'. It sets out the actions and responsibilities of the borough, the involvement of partners and services, and timescales and performance measures.

The Council Plan will guide the focus of the borough council's activities once the final version is agreed in February 2023, alongside the budget that will fund it.

The proposals include

- freezing the borough council's part of council tax next year and not increasing parking charges
- focusing on improving services and enhancing facilities
- improving recycling & waste collections
- providing support and advice to deal with the rising cost of living
- continuing partnership work committed to ending rough sleeping
- enriching everyday life in the borough with innovative community culture and arts initiatives and events

- tackling climate change in all we do to meet carbon neutral targets
- ensuring that communities are sustainable and that our environment is protected and enhanced, supporting the ecological emergency declaration.

Key themes to improve the Plan have been identified as: 'Focusing on regeneration, wellbeing and collaboration.'

To these could be added:

- Ecology and biodiversity, nature recovery built into the fabric of the Plan, central to all Council priorities. This linked to wellbeing and the importance of access to nature to promote physical & mental health.
- To improve strategies and practices for volunteer groups and biodiversity improvement projects.
- Particularly to prioritise the value of ecology and biodiversity in its own right; to prioritise the wellbeing of our chalks streams, and allocate resources accordingly.

**Please take a few minutes to give your views on BDBC's priorities within the Plan. Consultation open to 2nd January 5pm.**

[www.basingstoke.gov.uk/councilplan2023](http://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/councilplan2023)

## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

22/02783/HSE (Pending, 11 October)  
The Cottage Blackstocks Lane. Erection of single storey rear extension.

22/02771/ROC (Pending, 10 October)  
Land West Side of Nately Towers, Scures Hill. Variation of condition 1 of 22/01190/FUL to make changes to the approved design.

22/02660/HSE (Granted 21 Nov)  
10 Kingsbridge Copse. Erection of a single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory.

22/02643/FUL (Granted 18 Nov)  
Land At Blackstocks Lane. One dwelling with associated landscape and parking (replacement applications).

22/02568/HSE and 22/02569/LBC (Pending, 20 Sept) Newnham Green Farm. Demolition of single storey rear extension and outbuilding and erection of single storey rear extension.

22/02595/TENO (Granted 10 Nov)  
Telecommunications Apparatus, London Road RG27 9PE. Proposed installation of steelwork to extend the height of 25m lattice tower by 5m and relocating the existing equipment to new top of tower.

22/02539/FUL (Withdrawn 23 Nov)  
Land At Blackstocks Lane, Nately Scures. Erection of 1no. dwelling with associated garage, landscaping and new access. (Amendment to scheme granted under 22/00981/FUL.)

22/02097/FUL (Pending, 09 Sept)  
Nately Scures House, Scures Hill. The construction of a single detached house and garage and associated access.

22/02498/HSE (Pending, 06 Sept)  
Tollgate House, Water End. Part demolition of the existing house/garage, replacement with a three storey side extension with a detached replacement garage with first floor accommodation over, new entrance gates, altered access, new windows through along with internal alterations (amended plan to that approved under 21/02185/HSE).

22/00132/FUL (Pending, 19 Jan – to be decided DC of 7th December recommended for Approval) Land off Ridge Lane. Farm workers' dwelling for temporary period. Earth bunds (2.5m max width by 1.5m max height). Permeable surfaced farm access tracks.

16/03282/RET (Pending, 15th Sep 2016) Manor Farm, Blackstocks Lane. Change of use from agricultural to mixed agricultural to include diversification of farm open days etc 100 days a year, associated parking.

## HOOK/NEWNHAM GAP

21/02750/FUL (refused Hart 7th Jan 2022) Appeal dismissed 1st November APP/N1730/W/22/3298102  
Fairfields, Newnham Road, Hook. Detached four bedroom dwelling following demolition of outbuildings



## REPORTING TO POLICE

from PCSO Andy Jones

Theft of cooking oil from pubs is again being reported from across the Area. We have a registration number and are progressing this.

This is also the time of year to expect increasing trespass, criminal damage, hare coursing.

A lot of black market money is involved with wagers on hare coursing. The local participants are generally dispensable, higher on the ladder are serious criminals. The challenge is in obtaining sufficient evidence to convict. This is a national issue but rural communities suffer while people continue to be willing to bet.

Hampshire Constabulary has invested in six off-road motorbikes (held a training week in Wales!). Have bikes, drones, helicopter – aim to get out and about on local farms, and show a presence to deter.

**Please report** any crime, antisocial behaviour or suspicious incident.

Policing is intelligence-led, officers have wide areas to cover and rely on information from the public to build up a picture of what is happening.

**Online** This way you can report in your own time without waiting on the phone; also has the facility to upload photographs and other documents. To report any crime, ASB, suspicious incident – search Hampshire Police reporting and this will take you to the link <https://www.hampshire.police.uk/ro/report/>

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## DECEMBER 'BARN MEET'

to be held by Hart Rural on Thursday 8th December 5.45pm for 6pm start in Rotherwick Village Hall. Though outside our area, issues are relevant to all interested in rural policing, all are welcome. Talks will include – from the District Commander, Countrywatch, Roads Policing Unit, and Firearms Licensing Department.

# Church Notices

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**From the Parish Registers**  
 Funeral: Sally Irvine, 15th November, St Mary's Mapledurwell.



## From the Ministry Team

Many years ago Pauline and I were on a sailing trip and were told about a sea cave that was especially worth a visit. It was hard to

find, but we were given very detailed instructions that involved getting on a ferry, walking across a small town, and then taking a small row boat to get into the cave itself. We carefully followed all our instructions, and were rewarded with one of the most beautiful sights I have ever seen – a small cave flooded with sunlight via a hole in the rocks which lit up the seawater to a deep blue.

As we approach Christmas, this memory reminds me of how the Magi – the wise men – followed the star that led them to the infant Jesus. In Matthew's gospel, we read that they travelled a complicated and circuitous journey from the East, probably a distance of more than 800 miles.

Matthew tells us that: 'The star they had seen in the East went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house... they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him.

Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.' (Matthew 2:9)

Christmas is a time when we too can 'follow the star' and discover the joy of knowing Jesus for ourselves. It is Jesus who came amongst us as a baby – God himself in human form – and it is he who went on to live a perfect, sinless life, but then – out of his great love for each one of us – died on the cross for us.

It's as we put our trust in him and choose to follow him that all our sins – all that we've ever done wrong – are completely forgiven, and we get to live a 'new' life of freedom and fulness.

You may have seen posters around that say: 'Wise men still follow the star.' Just like the wise men of old who

heard the good news of Jesus and took action, so too each one of us can 'follow the star' today, by coming to worship him and following him in our own lives.

This Christmas we would like to invite you to come to church, to hear the Christmas story told once again, and to discover afresh the joy and the freedom we discover in Jesus.

We'd also like to invite you to bring your friends with you! And to help with this we've joined in with a national initiative called: 'Follow the Star – the Great Invitation.'

How about inviting five friends or family to come to church with you sometime over this Christmas season? It's likely that this will be the best Christmas present you could possibly give them.

Jesus described himself as the 'Light of the World'. He is the one who is more powerful than any star in the sky, and who fills our lives – which can often feel dark and difficult – with light and love. He was the one who said 'whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life'.

Please do come and join us at our church services this Christmas, and discover this light of life for yourself.

And as we 'follow the star' together, we wish you a very happy Christmas.

With every blessing,  
 Rev'd Chris Dudgeon  
 Vicar, All Saints' Odiham  
[chris@moretolife.church](mailto:chris@moretolife.church)

CHURCH SERVICES DECEMBER AND JANUARY	
<b>Sunday 4 December</b>	9am St Mary's Mapledurwell, CW Holy Communion 11am St Mary's Greywell, Morning Worship
<b>Sunday 11 December</b>	9am St Stephen's Up Nately, BCP Holy Communion (said) 10am St Nicholas' Newnham, 1662 Morning Prayer 4.30pm St Mary's Greywell, Carol Service
<b>Saturday 17 December</b>	4pm St Nicholas' Newnham, Carol Service
<b>Sunday 18 December</b>	9am St Mary's Greywell, CW Holy Communion 11am St Swithun's Nately Scares, Carol Service 6.30pm St Stephen's Up Nately, Carol Service
<b>Friday 23 December</b>	5pm St Mary's Mapledurwell, Carol Service
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	4.30pm St Stephen's Up Nately, Crib Service 11.30pm St Swithun's Nately Scares, Midnight Communion
<b>Christmas Day</b>	9.30am St Mary's Mapledurwell, Family Service 9.30am St Stephen's Up Nately, Family Service 10.45am St Nicholas' Newnham, Family Communion 11am St Mary's Greywell, Family Service
<b>Sunday 1 January</b>	9am All Saints' Tunworth, Benefice BCP Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 8 January</b>	9am St Stephen's Up Nately BCP Holy Communion (said) 10am St Nicholas' Newnham, 1662 Morning Prayer
<b>Sunday 15 January</b>	9am St Mary's Greywell, CW Holy Communion 11am St Mary's Mapledurwell Informal Service 5pm St Swithun's Nately Scares, Evensong
<b>Sunday 22 January</b>	10am St Nicholas' Newnham, BCP Holy Communion (said) 11am St Stephen's Up Nately, Morning Worship
<b>Sunday 29 January</b>	9.30am All Saints' Odiham, Benefice CW Holy Communion 11am All Saints' Odiham, Benefice Informal Service

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## KIDZONE

Hi Everyone!

♪ It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! ♪

Christmas is a wonderful time of year. A time to celebrate in style, an opportunity to get new presents – a much wanted gadget maybe, or a time to get a lovely knitted jumper from your great Aunt? It's a time to feast on Turkey and all the trimmings and to pile on the pounds by eating way too much chocolate whilst watching the King's speech and some Christmas special or other...

But what about the real meaning of Christmas? It does tend to get lost in the pile of presents (wanted and unwanted) and everything else that gets thrown into the mix nowadays. This Christmas why don't we try to challenge ourselves with what Christmas really means: that Jesus, the son of God, came to our planet as part of God's amazing plan.

That reminds me of a song, and not even a Christmas one! Follow this QR code to listen to a song you probably know really well – can you hear the bit about God's plan? Do you know the actions?



It is so easy to neglect Jesus. He's the 'reason for the season' – but it's so easy to ignore him! One of the names Jesus is given in the Bible is 'the root of Jesse'. Jesse was King David's dad (remember him?) and from him we get the idea of The Jesse Tree. Have you ever done one of those? Basically it's using your creativity to represent Jesus' family tree. It starts with Adam and Eve, and goes right through to Mary, Joseph and Jesus himself... At the top of a page is a stained glass window, where someone has tried to show Jesus' family.

My family has always made our Jesse Tree by first going on an Autumn walk, picking up a bare branch, popping it into a tub and then making

decorations to represent different people leading up to Jesus. If you would like to give it a try, google 'Jesse Tree Symbols' for some ideas, and let your imagination go wild! I'd love to see some pictures of your creations! Just email me on [youth@moretolife.church](mailto:youth@moretolife.church).



In the meantime, happy creating, and I look forward to seeing you over the Christmas season!

Helen

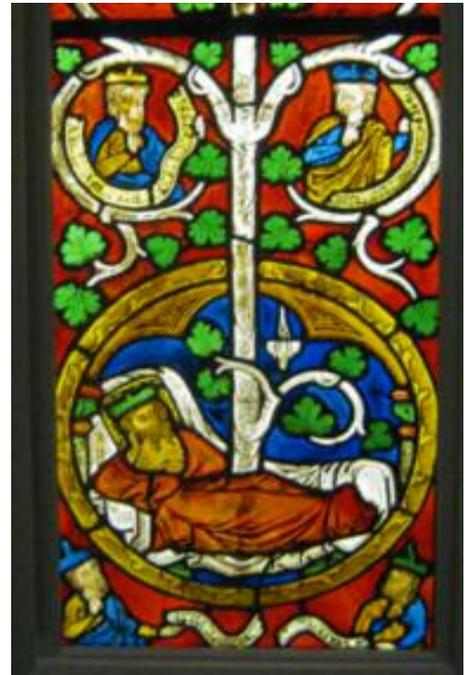
## WHAT'S ON

**If you are in years 5 - 8, why not come along to Younger Youth at All Saints' Odiham on Thursday evenings between 5.30pm and 7? Games, chill-out zones, crafts, table tennis and tuck.**

**Aged 11-14 and interested in looking into what you believe in a little more depth? Or maybe hoping to be baptised or confirmed? Why not join Helen at Club 3:16 on a Sunday afternoon in South Warnborough.**

**Or if you are aged 11+, come along to United Youth, where we meet with other young Christians around the area every month at a different venue to have some fun, eat lots of snacks and find out a little bit about God!**

For more information on any of these activities, get in touch with Helen or the church office at [admin@moretolife.church](mailto:admin@moretolife.church).



**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families

### NORTH HANTS DOWNS MU

As I mentioned last month, from 25th November to 10th December, Mothers' Union is part of the campaign to raise awareness of gender-based violence. It is shocking that 1 in 3 women worldwide experience domestic or sexual abuse. Cases of domestic violence have increased during lockdown and the pandemic and so there is more need than ever to join together and say 'No more 1 in 3'.

In Odiham, we are offering coffee and information to those walking past Odiham Church around 9am on Friday December 2nd and Friday December 9th. Do come and visit us on one of those days to find out more. If the weather is wet, then we will be in the Church Porch.

In January we look forward to our Wave of Prayer. Mothers' Union is based firmly on prayer for our work locally, and also for members in other parts of the world. Mothers' Union divides the year into 3-day periods when we pray for the members and projects of a particular group of dioceses. Winchester diocese has its turn between 12th and 14th January along with Mauritius, Nandyal (South India), Kericho (Kenya), Katsina (Nigeria) and Kumasi (Ghana). We plan to hold a Wave of Prayer service in January 2023 but the details for this have not yet been finalised.

If you want to know about our branch or the Mothers' Union, please feel free to contact me.

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