



“NEWS from the PEWS”
The Parish of POSTLING
Part of the Elham Valley Group of Churches

**November
- December
2023**

The Bi-monthly Newsletter of St. Mary & St. Radigund's Church, Postling

Priest in Charge: **Currently in an Interregnum (Awaiting appointment of a new Priest)**
Assistant Curate: **Rev. Deb. Scoble**, The Vicarage, Lyminge 862747
Hon. Curate: **Rev. Stephen Dougal**, Bereforstal Farm Bungalow, Elham 840750
Churchwardens: **Peter Le Feuvre** 863780 and **Chris Reynolds** 862436
Treasurer: **John Ayris** 07770-667214 PCC Secretary **Sarah Nicholls**
Safeguarding Officers: **Helen Calderbank** and **Sarah Montgomery** 863780



CHRISTMAS IN POSTLING 2023



Sunday 10th December	Quiet evening service for Advent 5.30pm
Monday 18th December	Advent Carol Service with the Shepway singers 7.30pm
Wednesday 20th December	Advent meditation 7pm
Thursday 21st December	Carol singing around the village. Meet at the Village Hall with a torch at 6pm
Friday 22nd December	Christmas Happy Hour from 6pm
Sunday 24th December	Crib Service in the Barn at Pent Farm 11.30am
Sunday 25th December	Christmas Day service 9.30am

Jenny Mannion writes:

POSTLING LADIES COFFEE AND CAKE MORNING

(All donations go in their entirety to The Pilgrims Hospice, Ashford)

Thank you for the support to date of Postling villagers, friends from surrounding villages and visitors.

Our last coffee morning of 2023 will be on November 11th in our beautiful church between 10am to 12 noon. At our November fundraiser we look forward to welcoming a guest from the Hospice to meet donors. So far we have raised nearly £1,000 this year for The Hospice, which is a tremendous achievement. The target for the year is £1,200 or more, which allows the opportunity for those who have not donated to donate. Who knows if we may need Hospice care at some time.

The Craft Days are on Saturdays 4th November (including making Christmas decorations) and 2nd December (including making Christmas wreaths) in the Village Hall from 10am to 4pm. Do come and join them.

Services in November and December 2023

Sunday 5th November
9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 12th November
Remembrance Day Service at Stanford at 10.50am

Sunday 19th November
No Service in Postling

Sunday 26th November
No Service in Postling

Sunday 3rd December
Benefice Advent Communion Service
in the Cathedral at 11am

Sunday 10th December
5.30pm Quiet Evening Service

Sunday 17th December
No Service in Postling

Sunday 24th December *Christmas Eve*
11.30 Crib Service in Pent Farm Barn

Monday 25th December *Christmas Day*
9.30am. Morning Service

Sunday 31st December
9.30 Morning prayer for the New Year

Postling Church Flower and Cleaning Rota

November 4th Kerry Lock and Natalia Woods

November 11th and 18th Malliet Pattrick and Sarah Nicholls

November 25th and December 2nd Nikki Clark and Jane Reynolds

Advent begins Sunday 3rd ***Advent Cleaning only***

December 9th and 16th Anne Spratling and Genny Ferguson

December 23rd and 30th Sachiyo Stevens and Maria Sudworth

Saturday 23rd December 10am . As many people as possible for Christmas Flowers please

A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED:

Harvest Collection for the Rainbow Centre Foodbank Weighed in at 115kg

£200 was donated at Happy Hour for the Rainbow Centre Big Sleep Out

Two donations to church funds:

The Progressive supper raised £310 and the Harvest Quiz night £257

The next **Happy Hours** are Friday 24th November and Friday 22nd December, held in the church from 6pm. A great opportunity to have a chat and meet our friends and neighbours. If you would like to host a Happy Hour to mark a special occasion, please do let us know.
All profits go to the Folkestone Rainbow Centre that runs the Shepway Foodbank, Hythe Pantry and the Folkestone winter night shelter.

