



SERVICES, EVENTS AND NOTICES

26th NOVEMBER 2023

CHRIST THE KING

COLLECT PRAYER FOR CHRIST THE KING

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for her reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen.

26TH November – CHRIST THE KING The Sunday Next Before Advent

- 9.00 a.m. Holy Communion, Brafield
- 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Great Houghton
- 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion, Little Houghton
- 11.00 a.m. All Age Worship, Cogenhoe

Ezekiel 34. 11-16, 20 - 24, Ephesians 1. 15 - end, Matthew 25. 31-end *Red*

3rd December – THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Brafield
- 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion, Great Houghton
- 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion, Cogenhoe
- 4.00 p.m. Benefice Christingle Service, Little Houghton

Isaiah 64.1-9, 1 Corinthians 1.3-9, Mark 13.24-end *Purple*

ON-LINE SUNDAY SERVICES

The Church of England on-line Sunday service will be available here: <https://www.churchofengland.org>



CHRISTMAS SPECIAL!

Teas in Little Houghton Church
Sunday 26th November
2.30 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Come along and enjoy a cuppa and lovely Christmas themed cake and nibbles with some friendly chat.

Everybody welcome !

EXPLORE THE BOOK and TEEN TALK on ZOOM in Revd Irene's Room:

Teen Talk – Saturday 11 a.m.

Explore the Book – Friday 3.00 – 4.30 p.m.



A Christmas Concert with The Sheppard Singers

Saturday 9th December 7.30pm at St Marys, Great Houghton

Free entry with retiring collection

For those of you who have not seen this, below is an extract from Bishop John's monthly letter which includes a new additional role for me which I will take up in earnest in the new year.

"I am grateful to those who assist me and colleagues in the Bishop's Management Group in the care of clergy across the diocese. I am delighted that Revd Derek Waller and Revd Irene Cobby have recently agreed to become Chaplains to Self-Supporting Ministers, Derek for the Oakham Archdeaconry and Irene for Northampton. As self-supporting ministers themselves, this will be in addition to their current parochial roles. The aim is to encourage and be pastorally available to SSM's, to create opportunities for sharing and learning about SSM ministry, and that we might also learn from and reflect on this experience of ministry. If you are an SSM, I am sure you will hear from them in the coming months as they enjoy getting to know and be known by you". Bishop John.

I am happy to undertake this Chaplaincy role as part of my ministry as a Self-Supporting Minister. That is to say I do not take a wage and there are quite a few of us in the diocese in the same position. Irene

FOR YOUR PERSONAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Please remember in your prayers those in our local communities who are ill or recovering and need God's healing touch and comfort at this time. In particular, prayers have been asked for Lou Arpino, Bernard Baillon, Mike Green, John Smith and Terry Stephens.

Pray also for the family and friends of those who have died recently. May the departed rest in peace and may those who are mourning their loss find comfort and strength. Pray for those we know personally, and those whose journey with us in this life nears its end.

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