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## NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2021

### Weekly Diary

Monday 22 November	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 6.30 – 9.00 pm	Playgroup meets in the Hall 1 <sup>ST</sup> Barrow upon Soar Guides
Tuesday 23 November	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 pm to 7.30 pm	Playgroup Loughborough Performing Arts meet in the Hall
Wednesday 24 November	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 2.00 – 5.30 pm	Playgroup Fun@church in the Hall
Thursday 25 November	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 7.30 – 9.30 pm	Playgroup Barrow Panto Group meet in the Hall
Friday 26 November	8.45 am – 1.00 pm	Playgroup
Saturday 27 November	11.00 am – 5.00 pm 2.00 – 4.00 pm	Childs' Birthday Party in the Hall Crochet and Craft in the Welcome Coffee Bar – please note change of date this month.
Sunday 28 November	6.00 pm	No morning service - Churches Together Advent Carol Service

As Covid cases continue to rise in the UK, your Church Council has agreed that the Covid Risk Assessment was changed to follow the Circuit rules – we will continue to wear masks as we enter church, they can be removed when sitting down but singing with a mask should be continued for the time being.

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 21 November	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall – Holy Communion
Sunday 28 November	6.00 pm	Advent Carol Service - No morning service
Sunday 5 December	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall
Sunday 12 December	10.15 am	Local Arrangement
Sunday 19 December	6.00 pm	Carol Service with Rev Sandra Marshall – no morning service
Christmas Eve Friday 24 December	6.00 pm	Crib Service with Rev Sandra Marshall
Christmas Day Saturday 25 December	10.15 am	United Christmas Day Service here with Mountsorrel and Sileby led by Rev Sandra Marshall
Sunday 26 December		No Service

**YOUR PRAYERS** are asked this week for the family and friends of Nora Thompson who passed away on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November at the age of 97 years. Nora was a lovely lady with a very strong Christian faith who was regularly seen at Sunday worship until these last few weeks when illness prevented her attending. She was a friend to all always encouraging, always supportive of our events and will be sadly missed by us all and our thoughts and are with her son Alan, daughter Elizabeth and their families at this very sad time.

No funeral arrangements are known yet but we will circulate details when received.

### **THANK YOU - COLLECTION ENVELOPES**

Thanks to you all for your regular contributions to the running of the church during lockdown. Church services have now resumed but if you are unable to attend, please continue to send your contributions towards the running of the church as you have been doing over the last 12 months. Thank you – Peter

### **12<sup>TH</sup> Church is streamed every Sunday morning at 10.45 am**

Sunday 21 November	Rev Andrew Lomax
Sunday 28 November	Liz and Rob Newton
Sunday 5 December	Eleri Bristow
Sunday 12 December	The Pipet Family
Sunday 19 December	Rev Andrew Lomax – Carol Service
Sunday 26 December	No Service

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A woman was once asked: What do you "gain" from praying to God regularly?

She replied: Usually " I don't earn anything ", but rather " I lose things ".

And she quoted everything she lost praying to God regularly: I lost my pride. I lost my arrogance. I lost greed. I lost my urge. I lost " my " anger. I lost the lust. I lost the pleasure of lying. I lost the taste of sin. I lost impatience, despair, and discouragement.

Sometimes we pray, not to gain something, but to lose things that don't allow us to grow spiritually. Prayer educates, strengthens, and heals. Prayer is the channel that connects us directly to God."

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### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Compassionate God, be with those who need you. The unloved, the friendless, the oppressed, the sick, the dying, the bereaved. Take your love where we can't, or won't, reach. Make your Spirit known in the worst places and times, so that all may benefit from the sacrifice that Jesus made for humankind. It is in his name we pray. Amen