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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 9th JANUARY 2022

WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 10 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 2.00 - 4.00 pm 6.30 - 9.00 pm	Playgroup meets in the Rear Hall New Horizons New Year Party Guides meet in the Rear Hall
Tuesday 11 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 - 7.30 pm 6.30 - 9.30 pm	Playgroup Loughborough Performing Arts meet in the Hall Parish Council meet in the Worship Area
Wednesday 12 January	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 7.30 - 9.00 pm	Playgroup Ladies Circle Games Evening
Thursday 13 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 2.00 - 5.00 pm 7.30 – 9.30 pm	Playgroup Circuit Leadership Team meet in the Welcome Lounge Barrow Panto Group meet in the Hall
Friday 14 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm	Playgroup
Saturday 15 January	2.00 – 4.00 pm	Crochet and Craft in the Welcome Coffee Bar
Sunday 16 January	10.15 am	John Bateman

Please note that from January 2022, playgroup have extended their hours and meet in the rear Hall, Coffee Lounge and Kitchen on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8.45 am until 4.00 pm and on Wednesday from 8.45 am until 1.00 pm

“Plan B” and the Update of the Government guidelines for Coronavirus (Covid – 19)

From the 10th December it is mandatory for Face coverings to be worn in Churches unless you are exempt. We will continue with our practice of also wearing masks when singing - Thank you for your care and co-operation.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR SUNDAY 9th JANUARY 2022

Welcome

Singing the Faith 224 As with gladness men of old

Prayer

The Lord's prayer

Reading: Matthew Chapter 2 verses 13 to 15

STF 227: Brightest and best are the sons of the morning

Talk

STF 330: Joy to the world, the Lord is come

Prayer

STF 210: Love came down at Christmas

Closing prayer and Grace

WE REMEMBER in our prayers this week the family and friends of BARBARA THOMAS who passed away this week in West Sussex aged 94 years. Some of you will remember Barbara during her time in the village when she and her late husband Alan lived in Babington Road and worshipped regularly with us here. Our love and blessings go to her daughter and all the family

OFFERING REQUEST

Would anyone be prepared to assist in counting the offering after Sunday morning service please? This is not a big job as so many people are now paying by standing order, but it does have to be carried out by two people. If you think you could help or want to know more, please see Heather today.

POSTAGE STAMPS FOR RNIB

Please cut your postage stamps from your envelopes and place them in the box on the bookcase in the Welcome Coffee Bar. These will be sent to RNIB to support their funds - Thanks Kate

NATIVITY CHRISTMAS CARDS RECYCLING

Please recycle the **FRONT PICTURE ONLY** of your Nativity Christmas cards, by placing them in the box in the Welcome Coffee Bar. All in preparation for a Nativity Festival next year! Thanks Kate

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 9 January	10.15 am	Tilly Yates Coffee: Janet
Sunday 16 January	10.15 am	John Bateman Coffee: Sue and Adrian
Sunday 23 January	10.15 am	Local Arrangement Coffee: Soo
Sunday 30 January	10.15 am	No service here Circuit service at Christchurch, Shepshed
Sunday 6 February	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall – Covenant Service Coffee: Sue and Adrian
Sunday 13 February	10.15 am	Local Arrangement Coffee: Kate and Mike
Sunday 20 th February	10.15 am	Angela Latham Coffee: Sandra Webb
Sunday 27 February	10.15 am	Local Arrangement Coffee: Janet

There are still blanks on the Coffee Rota is anyone feels that they could volunteer.

12TH Church is streamed every Sunday morning at 10.45 am on Facebook

Sunday 9 January	Sue and Adrian Speight
Sunday 16 January	Emma Lowe
Sunday 23 January	Eleri Bristow
Sunday 30 January	Liz and Rob Newton

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18th to 25th JANUARY 2022

These are the meetings planned by Churches Together – any queries and for details of the Zoom log in details please see Tilly

Date	Time	Venue	Led by:
Tuesday 18 th January	11.00 am	Baptist Church – Zoom meeting if restrictions apply	Led by the Baptists - Everyone welcome to stay for coffee afterwards with food from 12.30 pm
Wednesday 19 th	7.30 pm	Zoom	Led by Catholics
Thursday 20 th	9.00 am	Holy Trinity Church – Zoom if restrictions apply	Led by the Anglicans
Friday 21	11.00 am	Methodist Church – Zoom if restrictions apply	Led by the Methodists
Sunday 23		Church services	

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, you are the beginning of all our goodness, the wellspring of all our loving and the source of all our freedom. Let your grace continually work within us, that your will may be done through us, and that we may always rejoice in your presence; now and for ever. Amen.

Mary Ward (1585-1645)

CHOPSTICKS!

A woman who had worked all her life to bring about good was granted one wish, "Before I die let me visit both hell and heaven." Her wish was granted.

She was whisked off to a great banqueting hall. The tables were piled high with delicious food and drink. Around the tables sat miserable, starving people as wretched as could be. "Why are they like this?" she asked the angel who accompanied her. "Look at their arms," the angel replied.

She looked and saw that attached to the people's arms were long chopsticks secured above the elbow. Unable to bend their elbows, the people aimed the chopsticks at the food, missed every time and sat hungry, frustrated and miserable.

"Indeed, this is hell! Take me away from here!"

She was then whisked off to heaven. Again, she found herself in a great banqueting hall with tables piled high. Around the tables sat people laughing, contented, joyful. "No chopsticks I suppose," she said.

"Oh yes there are. Look, just as in hell they are long and attached above the elbow but look, here people have learnt to feed one another".

Author Unknown