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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2023

WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term time

Sunday 12 November	10.00 am	Remembrance Day Service at Holy Trinity Church
Monday 13 November	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 5.00 – 7.00 pm 6.30 – 9.00 pm	Playgroup Playgroup Parent's Evening in the Welcome Coffee Bar 1 st Barrow upon Soar Guides
Tuesday 14 November	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 – 8.30 pm	Playgroup Cosmic Theatre School
Wednesday 15 November	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 2.30 pm 7.00 pm	Playgroup Cuppa and Chatta Ladies Circle Fashion Show
Thursday 16 November	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 6.30 – 9.30 pm	Playgroup Barrow Arts Theatre Society
Friday 17 November	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.00 pm 5.00 pm	Playgroup Christmas Fayre Gazebos go up! Stalls organised
Saturday 18 November	11.00 am – 2.00 pm 6.00 – 7.15 pm	Christmas Fayre Karate

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 12 November	10.00 am	Village Remembrance Day Service at Holy Trinity Church
Sunday 19 November	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall – Holy Communion Steward: Kate Coffee: Mike and Pauline F
Sunday 26 November	10.15 am	Circuit Service at Christchurch, Shepshed Rev Karen Beecham/Rev Martin Swan
Sunday 3 December	10.15 am	Angela Latham Steward: Sandra Coffee: Adrian and Sue
Sunday 10 December	10.15 am	Granville Mercy Steward: Kate Coffee: Sandra Barrow upon Soar Churches Together Walking Nativity
Sunday 17 December	4.00 pm	Carols and Cake Steward: Natalie Coffee: Bill and Nancy
Sunday 24 December	10.15 am 6.00 pm	Rev Sandra Marshall Steward: Sandra Coffee: Bill and Nancy Carols Steward: Heather

YOUR PRAYERS are asked this week for the family and friends of **Rev Donald Wilkes** who passed away on Friday 3rd November. Donald was a regular visitor to our pulpit until his illness prevented this. Our thoughts are with his wife Elizabeth and all the family. We saw Elizabeth yesterday (Thursday) and had a lovely conversation with her talking about Donald and assuring her of the prayers and blessings of all at Barrow upon Soar Methodist Church. Donald's funeral service will be on Thursday 30th November at 2.00 pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Loughborough.

Can I also ask you to remember **Tilly and Peter** as Peter's brother-in-law, Paul passed away quite suddenly on 8th November. Those of you who worshipped with us last Christmas will remember that Paul was kind enough to play the organ for our Carol Service and Christmas Day service. Our prayers and blessings to all the family.

INVITATION to Trinity Methodist Church on Sunday 12 November at 5.45 pm for a service of Jazz vespers led by Rev Karen Beecham.

CUPPA AND CHATTA

Cuppa and Chatta will be open on Wednesday, 15th November from 2.30 to 4.30. We welcome all, old and new friends, who would like to drop in at some time during the afternoon to enjoy and drink and fellowship.

THANKS

Thank you everyone who supported this year's Ride and Stride, by striding, opening the church or sponsoring. The amount raised was an amazing £295 which will be divided equally between Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust and this church. This year four of us visited 11 churches in Leicester city and 5 people visited Barrow Methodist Church on the day.

LADIES CIRCLE

FUND RAISING FASHION SHOW AND SHOPPING EVENT

THIS WEDNESDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2023 at 7.00 pm

Tickets £5 each (includes free Raffle Ticket)

Available from Janet or Taylor's Florist

Your favourite brands with up to 75% off. Sizes 6-30



All proceeds are for our chosen charity for 2023/24 – The Royal Papworth Hospital Charity

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - We need your help!

The Christmas Fayre is NEXT Saturday 18th November from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm

The Fayre is our main fund-raising event and last year raised the fantastic sum of £1,564.00 in those three hours.

We would like everyone to have this date in their diary as we need your help with running the stalls and refreshments. More about this in later weeks.

We also need you all to help us with some of the events before the Fayre. We need gifts for Santa's Grotto and items for the General Tombola and the Chocolate Tombola. We ask you all, if you can, to give items for these or make a donation for us to buy suitable items.

Any donations or items need to go to:

Kate for Santa's grotto
Janet for the Chocolate Tombola
Mike for the General Tombola

Thank you in anticipation'

Mike, Kate and Janet

FOOD HUB

We continue to take regular gifts of both items and money for the Soar Valley Food Hub in Mountsorrel. Thank you to all who continue to contribute from week to week.

The volunteers at the Food Hub provide a valuable service to those in need, offering both food parcels and somewhere that people can drop-in for some warmth, a drink and, if needed, advice about accessing other support and benefits.

As we approach Christmas could we make a good effort with food and other seasonal items so that we can take a good collection after the second Sunday in December? Thank you, Adrian and Sue

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Creator God, dweller in darkness, yet as light to you; from darkness you created earth, day and night, light and dark. Jesus, light of the world, in darkness treasures are illuminated by your light, seen brightest in darkness. Holy Spirit, revealer of treasures; give us strength to persevere searching for the light in the darkest times of life's journey. Holy Trinity, challenge me to befriend the darkness with your comforting presence; in time you will reveal hidden treasures that can be found amid suffering, pain and grief; then I will see things differently. Help me dig deep, mining for these treasures produced by immense pressure. Then may these treasures be stored in my heart and in heaven. Amen.

Karen Le Mouton, supernumerary presbyter, Jersey Circuit

Christchurch Methodist
Shepshed

*An evening with
Martin Swan*

*My time with the
American Government*

Saturday, November 18th
at 7.00 pm

Light refreshments

Donations for church funds welcome

Christchurch Methodist, Field Street, Shepshed, LE12 9AL

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**Christmas
Miscellany**

Stalls with gifts, cards, crafts,
soft toys, Christmas stockings,
cakes & Oriflame cosmetics

Saturday, December 2nd
10.30 am – 1.30 pm

All are welcome

Refreshments
Soup, roll & a hot drink £3

