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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR COXLEY, HENTON, AND WOOKEY CHURCHES

NOVEMBER 2025

DECORATE WOOKEY CHURCH WITH CHRISTMAS WREATHS!



Seeing Christmas decorations on front doors, windows and houses makes many people smile as they walk by - brightening up what is often a bleak time of year!

This year, Wookey Church wants to capture that joy, and fill the church with Christmas wreaths, so that every visitor that pops into church during December feels the joy of the Christmas period. And we need your help!

You can make any sort of Christmas wreath, using whatever items: traditional greenery, recycled materials, tinsel, wool, fabric, baubles, paper etc. You can create it individually, as a family, with neighbours or as a group.

Please drop off your wreath in Wookey Church from 11:30am - 3pm on Sunday 30th November, or, if that isn't possible, leave it by the main altar, with a note with the names of the maker/s from Monday 1st -

Don't forget to come and collect your Christmas wreath between Boxing Day and Sunday 4th January!

Saturday 6th December.

Please pray for...

- All those who have lost a loved one
- Charlotte who is being baptised in Henton
- Peace and justice across the world

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (9TH NOVEMBER)

Join us as we remember the sacrifice of those who served in WW1, WW2 and other wars.

- 9am Christ
 Church Henton
- 10:50am Christ Church Coxley
- 10:50am St
 Matthew's
 Church, Wookey
 (starting in the
 churchyard,
 before going
 inside).

ALL SOULS - 4PM SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Join us at Christ Church Coxley for a time to remember and give thanks for those we love and no longer see. You are invited to light a candle and pray for those special people who have gone ahead of us.

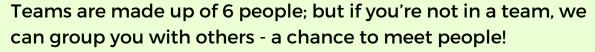


MEDITATION GROUP - 2:15PM MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

Come and join a friendly group for a time of meditation/silent prayer once a month at Buxton's Community Room (left of Buxton's Close), Vicarage Road, Wookey, BA5 1JW. Please arrive from 2pm so that we can all be seated by 2:15pm. For more information please contact Julie Moore at: stuart.moore3@btinternet.com

QUIZ & PUDDINGS EVENING - 7PM SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

There's still time to book your place at Coxley's General Knowledge Quiz evening in Coxley Memorial Hall where there'll be tasty puddings to feast on in between rounds! Hot drinks are provided but you may bring your own drinks with you.



Email Jenny Cooke at <u>amberhouse.wells@gmail.com</u> to book your place. Tickets are £10 per person, paid in cash on the door, with the money raised going to Christ Church Coxley.

TAIZÉ AT WOOKEY CHURCH - 4PM SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

Taizé is worship with gentle chants, readings and times of silence.

This time our Taizé service will be looking towards advent. In the readings hear the anticipation of Jesus' coming, and the assurance of God's enduring love for us. And in the chants, welcome God and ask him to help us trust in him.

ADVENT - LIFE IN THE COMMA!

To truly celebrate Christmas, it helps to see Christ as more than just the baby in the manger or the saviour on the cross. While the Apostles' creed jumps from "Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate", this advent course looks at the life of Jesus hidden in that comma and will help us ponder what Jesus' life means for us.

Meeting at 7:30pm on **Thursday 20th & 27th November** in Henton. Email benadmin@chwchurches.co.uk to reserve your place

NATURE - CAMERA - ACTION

An evening to excite everyone who loves the natural world's wildernesses and the animals that live there. Award winning cameraman, Doug Allan OBE, will be talking about his most memorable encounters, while filming for acclaimed television series like Blue Planet. Planet Earth and Frozen Planet.

Henton Church - Friday 21st November 7pm - 9.15pm (inc Q&A). Cash/ Card Bar.

Tickets £12.50 To reserve tickets email: davidjjvincent@gmail.com

All proceeds to Christ Church Henton Revitalisation Fund.



CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR LOCAL YMCA

YMCA Brunel Group provides 174 safe beds a night to 16/25 year olds and adults, covering Bath, Bristol, Mendip and South Somerset.

They aim to give every person staying with them a small box of gifts; for many these will be the only presents they receive.

Suitable items include: chocolate, biscuits, Christmas treats, smellies (including shower gel), shampoo, toothpaste, tooth-brushes, deodorant and socks, gloves, scarves, beanie hats.

If you could help to provide some of these gifts (please do not wrap them!) drop them off at:

Wookey - 3pm Christingle Festive Celebration - Sunday 14th December
Henton - 6:30pm Carol Service - Wednesday 17th December
Wookey - 4pm Carol Service - Sunday 21st December

CHRISTINGLE FESTIVE CELEBRATION 3PM SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Making a Christingle (see image on the right) reminds us of God's love for us and why there's joy and hope as we get ready for Christmas.

Please join us in **Wookey Church** with activities for children, as well as carols and hot drinks. If you have gifts for those staying with the YMCA, we will be collecting those, other donations for The Children's Society.





November Services

Sunday 2nd All Saints Day 08:30 at Wookey 09:00 at Henton Village Hall

- Quiet Holy Communion

- Sunday Breakfast

10:30 at Coxley

- Holy Communion

16:00 at Coxley

- All Souls Service

Sunday 9th Remembrance Sunday

09:00 at Henton 10:50 at Coxley 10:50 at Wookey (starting outside)

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Sunday 16th

08:00 at Henton 10:30 at Coxley

- BCP Holy Communion

 Informal Morning Worship

16:00 at Wookey

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Sunday 23rd

10:30 at Wookey 10:30 at Coxley

- Holy Communion

- Sunday Brunch

18:30 at Henton

- Evensong

Sunday 30th

10:30 at Wookey

 Benefice Holy Communion

Events: Saturday 8th:

19:00 at Coxley Memorial Hall

- Puddings & Quiz Evening

Mondays: Tuesdays: Wednesdays:

16:30 at Henton 09:15 at Coxley Afternoon Prayer

10:00 at Wookey

 Morning Prayer - Midweek Holy Communion

14:30 - 16:00 Thursdays: at Coxley

- Community Cafe (Warm Space)

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