

Welcome to the Benefice of Burton & Sopley

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Christ the King - Sunday 21st November

9.30am: Eucharist at St Luke's, Burton with Rev Helen Griffiss

11.00am: Eucharist at St Michael's, Sopley with Revd, Canon Peter Vargeson

Christian Aid week 2021, raised over 5 million pounds!

Thanks for all to St Luke's and the community of Burton for their contributions.

Like many other charities and the Church, Christian Aid's income has declined due to the pandemic, but this is still very good news.

Find out more about Christian Aid's work at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/our-work/what-we-do>.

Next year's appeal will focus on Zimbabwe. We will be exploring the lives and livelihoods of women in rural communities through the lens of climate justice.

Christchurch Foodbank's Reverse Advent Calendar

With the time of advent fast approaching, please consider this year, creating a 'reverse' advent calendar, where you put in Christmas food goodies each day to create a hamper for a family using the Foodbank. Details of what to include can be found on our website:

<https://www.burtonsopley.com/christchurch-food-bank.html> and please note that it needs to be delivered to the Foodbank by the end of November, in time for giving out in December. Thank you

2022 Calendars for sale £5 each in the Church Hall

Out of Stock at the moment! Further supplies expected shortly - place an order with Joyce Colbourne to ensure you don't miss out!

Christmas Cards for sale - £1 or £2 each - in the Church Hall

These are also for sale in aid of Church Funds.

Please take a look, you won't be disappointed, some lovely designs all by a local Burton resident.

Money in bag provided please or see Georgie Bethune for more details

St Luke's Christmas Tree Festival - fast approaching!!!

A very BIG thank you all who have signed up to Steward in church during this event.

Your time and help is very much appreciated but ... there are still slots available, so if you are able to fulfil any of these, please do sign up - **The rota sheets are in the Church Hall.**

But, most all do come along and enjoy the labour of so many! There is a diverse array of decorations, by a diverse array of age groups. Join in with the quizzes and look for the bears.

Fun for all and The Big Tree is back!!

Also, a big thank you to Judy, Joyce, Georgie, Ruth, Thelma & Jill for their support and help to John and I in putting on this event - Rosemary

Christingle Service - St Luke's - Sunday 5th December 4pm - 5pm with Canon Rev Diane Webster

Do make a note of this informal service to bring our Christmas Tree Festival to a close.

All proceeds will go to the Children's Society, who work with projects throughout England and Wales, helping vulnerable and young people. Pick up your Christingle in exchange for a donation to this most worthwhile charity.

St Michael's, Sopley

Thank you to all who contributed so wonderfully to our Remembrance Sunday service, and to the ladies who decorated the church, so beautifully, with flowers.

Joint Carol Service on Sunday 19th December

St Michael's Sopley will host a joint carol service with St Luke's, Burton, at 6.30pm, on 19 December. This is lovely opportunity to be together to celebrate together and invite friends and family.

First Sunday of Advent - 28th November

9.30am: Eucharist at St Luke's, Burton with Rev. Frank Willett

11.00am: Eucharist at St Michael's, Sopley with Revd. Dr Ben Sargent