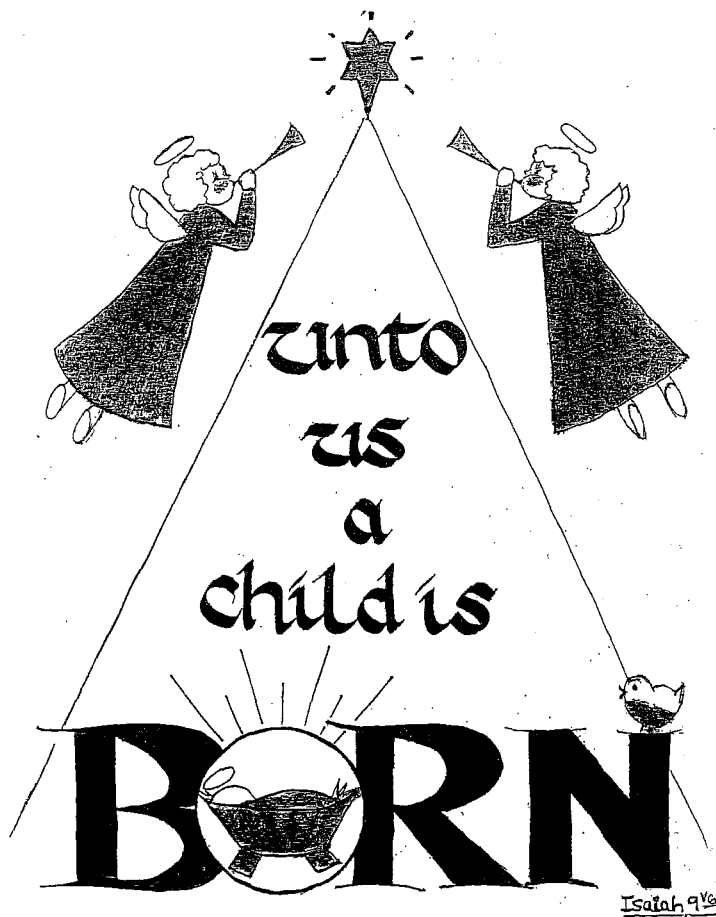


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Written around the plinth are these words: “In the beginning was the Word and the word became flesh and lived among us.” What majestic words! These are the opening words of the great *Hymn of Salvation*, in chapter 1 of the Gospel according to John, which will be our Gospel reading this Christmas.

We’ve heard the words ‘In the beginning’ before - in Genesis – they are the first words of the Old Testament poetically describing the creation of the world, and here John’s Gospel radically relates that original biblical creation story in the light of the experience of Christ.

“The Word became flesh and lived among us.” A theologian once wrote that John ‘sums up the whole of the Good News of the Gospel in those eight words.’

Majestic words, indeed, but perhaps we have heard these words so often that they have lost their momentous impact. Have we become so accustomed to this reading that we have forgotten that this is God we are speaking about:

- the **infinite** God – whom we finite creatures can never fully know
 - the **creator** God – who created from nothing everything that there is – this vast endless universe with innumerable galaxies and who knows what else?
 - the **eternal** God – from everlasting to everlasting
 - the **omnipotent** God – all powerful
 - the **omniscient** God – who knows all there is to know about everything
- Mind-boggling isn’t it?!

This God became a vulnerable baby and lived on earth among us. Why?

- Because His beloved children walked in darkness and did not listen to His voice calling to them although He sent many prophets.
- Because they started to worship creation instead of worshipping the Creator.
- Because they made idols in their own image.

So He sent someone who was like them but who was also like *Him* – God. He sent Jesus.

Jesus' coming into the world was a new beginning – a new age dawned – yet the world is still in darkness today, 2000 years on. Why is that? It's because we have not yet woken up to the fact that each one of us plays a vital part in the bringing of this New Age to fulfilment. I wonder what prevents us doing so?

Maybe some of us are so wary of what might be expected of us if we explored this 'Jesus thing' that we leave it on one side unexamined. Others of us may be so busy trying to understand every word of scripture, doctrine and tradition, that we forget to receive the gift God has given us: a relationship with Jesus.

People search everywhere and anywhere desperately trying to catch a glimpse of the divine, but the light we seek is within us – we are made in the image of God - and His Light, the light of Christ, shines (even if very, very dimly) in the hearts of each one of us. We need to get in touch with that inner light so that we can be transformed from within, and then we will shine as we are meant to shine and enable The Light of the New Age to come to its fullness.

It's a bit like Christmas tree lights, really – if one bulb isn't plugged in properly the whole set won't work. We need to make sure *our* bulbs are plugged in to the Source and encourage others to get plugged in too!

This Christmas receive the light of Christ in your hearts and lives. Receive it through His Word who comes to you today. And when you've received it, go tell others the Christmas story – the Good News of God with us. Tell it to a world that needs to hear of the Light that shines in the darkness **and the darkness cannot overcome it.**



Have a wonderful, peaceful, blessed Christmas everyone!

Audrey

Editorial

A very happy Christmas and joyful New Year to all who read this magazine and contribute to it. It is my pleasure to say a big thank you to all who contribute regularly to its pages. Contributions are the sole reason people buy it but to be there when it should be it relies heavily on the regular voluntary contributions of those who prepare it and distribute it. For its financial survival it also depends on the increasing number of people who advertise in it.

Sheer fear of missing out someone upon whom I depend leads me to simply say a big thank you which is no less sincere for failing to be personal. Thanks to our advertisers and a continuing search for a bargain source of paper I am able to say that the annual subs for the magazine can remain at £6.00 and the copy cost at 60p each month.

If I am to make pleas for the coming year they are that contributors try to send attachments to emails rather than the emails themselves, keep to Times New Roman and font 16. I am pleased to say that more of you who organise things are telling us what happened and I would urge that and that is a trend I would like to see grow.

Give us to-day O God the grace of friendliness
that we may gladly share the troubles and the joys
of those with whom we live and work.

Give us the grace to speak the right word
and to know when to be silent.
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May I just say a huge thanks to all who have helped and supported me during my 14 years as Evangelist in the Oakham Team.

It has been a great privilege and pleasure to work alongside the rest of the Team, led by Lee. It is a great joy to me that Jenni Duffy now takes up that role, having spent two years under training. Please give her all the support and prayers that you have been so generous enough as to give me.

The Licensed Evangelists, as I see it, always put themselves on the fringe of Church life, deliberately to reach out to those on the fringe, to make "Church" as accessible and understandable as possible to all who are seeking God in our beautiful places of worship. They also are encouragers and enablers to discern talents and support all the regular worshippers to be evangelists in their particular ways, using their special God-given gifts.

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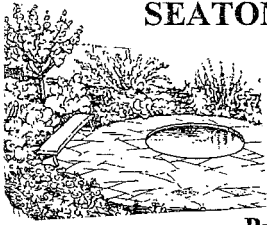
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Carers Rights and Relaxation Event

On Carers Rights Day - Friday 30th November, Rutland Local Involvement Network (LiNK) is taking the opportunity to put on a **FREE** event for informal carers in Rutland at **The Falcon, Market Place, Uppingham, Rutland, LE15 9PY** between **10am and 1pm**.

At the event, carers will have the opportunity to spend some relaxed informal time taking a break over coffee and cake, talk with professionals working to support carers in Rutland and enjoy a taster massage pampering session.

Margaret Demaine, Rutland LiNK Steering Group member said: "We know that there are a lot of carers in Rutland, not the ones that are employed, but those who care for a relative, a neighbour or a friend - "Unofficial Carers". The LiNK would like to be able to put you in touch with the support you might appreciate. We would really like you to come to our Carers Event, to meet other carers, carers support workers and other LiNK members. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee and a piece of cake, and enjoy a short time of relaxation and maybe sample our "Pampering Taster Session". You can bring the person you care for with you, if you can or would like to. If you have a difficulty with this, please contact us and we may be able to pay for care for them, whilst you are out. We do hope that you will come and join us on 30th November."

People can drop-in throughout the morning. If you would like more information or book to ensure your taster massage pampering session then please contact Jenny Darlow on **0116 229 3018** or email jenny@communitiesinpartnership.org.uk

This press release was issued by Gemma Hammond at Rutland LiNK. For more information, contact the communications office on 0116 229 3103.

Notes to editor:

What is the Rutland LiNK?

Rutland LiNK is an independent network which brings together people, organisations and community groups to give them a voice in improving Health and Social Care services. Rutland LiNK is here to find out what people like and value about local

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**The Bishop of Peterborough writes
Kind and gentle death**

Advent is the season of preparation. We prepare to meet the Lord: either when he returns as King and Judge, or when we die. In either case we will meet him and we need to be prepared.



How do we face death? Christian thinking holds two different approaches in tension: death is "the last enemy, to be destroyed" (St Paul), but believers can sing "and thou most kind and gentle death" (St Francis of Assisi).

If death is kind and gentle then we might have reason to accept "assisted dying" or "voluntary euthanasia" or even "mercy killing". But most Christians have stood firmly against such practices, and rightly so.

St Francis wrote as a believer, knowing that death, though unwelcome, would be his doorway to perfection with Christ. But the main stream of Christian thinking, clear in Old and New Testaments and subsequent theology, is that death is an enemy. We can be conned by popular natural history into seeing death as simply part of the natural order. The deeper truth, plain in Scripture and tradition and understood by former generations, is that death is unnatural: a consequence of the fall and a blot on creation. In God's new creation it will be no more. Christ died to defeat and destroy death.

There is a growing trend to see death as a welcome end to suffering, simply a gentle release. That view can only be held by those who don't believe in judgement. If dying is just falling asleep, rather than meeting our Maker, it can be welcomed more easily. Even Christians now take death less seriously. Services of thanksgiving replace funerals. Sermons focus on the life that has ended rather than facing the reality of death. The Prayer Book's "In the midst of life we are in death" and "deliver us from the bitter pain of eternal death" are optional in Common Worship and rarely used. Gravestone inscriptions try to celebrate life instead of marking death.

Death is an offence against God's gift of life. It separates us from those we love. But that is not the last word. Jesus rose from the dead: resurrection is at the heart of our message. But play down the horror of death and you remove the need for a saviour. Face death: prepare for it, thanking God that Jesus is Saviour as well as Judge.

With best wishes

+ Donald

Around the diocese Internship scheme to grow

The Xpect internship scheme is now in its second year and there are ten new interns working with young people in parishes from Uppingham to Northampton and various places in between. Their placements are varied and range from parish churches to pioneer ministry and a secondary school. Seven of the placements have taken interns for the first time this year. A further two youth workers are training with the interns for the *Engage* youth ministry certificate. Of last year's interns, five have remained working within the diocese either at the same church or in a different location, and one has gone on to a youth ministry degree course in Cambridge.



It's exciting to recognise that work with young people is developing in 15 more places now than at the start of 2011, because of the intern programme. It's just

as exciting to realise that those involved as interns or trainees are learning new skills, discovering new gifts and exploring their vocation. This twin purpose is at the heart of Xpect – growing youth workers as well as growing youth ministry within the diocese. BUT as if this was not enough, there's more ... we want to see growth in all areas of ministry! So from September 2013 we will be running a new stream of internships for people who want to serve in general ministry or in areas other than youth work.

Specifically, we will be seeking to support young people aged 18-25 years who wish to explore a calling to ordination. Young people on general ministry internships will receive the same financial support as Xpect interns, and, like them, will participate in training.

A new development will be the living arrangements. We plan to accommodate groups of interns in two houses made available by the diocese so that will add an extra element to the programme.

Living together as part of a community and following some form of "rule" will be a key part of ministry formation for the interns. So the search is now on for new placements and interns for next year's programme – both for youth ministry and wider ministry. Please contact Pete White if you would like to discuss this for your parish.

More information and contact details are at: www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/youth

Door wide open to young people who respond to God's call

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love and in purity" (1 Timothy 4:12)

In 1971, about 400 people entered training for ordained ministry. Of these about 300 were under the age of 30. In 2011, about 400 people entered training for ordained ministry. Of these about 80 were under the age of 30.

What has happened in the past 40 years? Many things have affected church attendance and commitment amongst all ages. But the fact is that many in their teens and twenties were given a clear message during this period to *"go off and get some experience of the real world and then come back"*. The majority didn't. The teaching and medical professions routinely employ 23 year olds and there is care to enable them to mature in training and first posts. Why should the church be different?

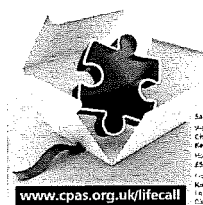
Today, the message is loud and clear! The door is open wide for young people to consider offering their lives to God's service in the Church. Every diocese now has Young Vocations Champions (ours are Ben Archibald and Hannah Jeffery) to help DDOs keep young vocations high on the agenda.

One thing that helped settle my own sense of calling was to spend 18 months as an ministry intern in a church. I'm thrilled that the diocese is developing our Internship Scheme, led by Pete White, to enable young people to do the same here, and I am privileged to be working on widening this scheme across the country. Internships are a proven way to help young people to have a go, receive some training, meet others considering a similar future, be mentored and find role models for ministry.

The biggest thing we can all do is to "pop the question" to any young person whose faithfulness to Jesus really impresses you. Exploring ordination often begins at somebody else's suggestion. Tell them about the *LifeCall* Conference in Kettering on 23 February 2013 and suggest that

they come along. They will hear from Nicola Moy, a young vicar from London, from Bishop Lindsay Urwin who has encouraged young vocations all his ministry. They will have a chance to meet young adults serving, or in training for, various ministries. Young people are routinely asked to think hard about their choices for the future. For young people Church ministry is a real option; they will help us connect an emerging generation with Christ.

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Introducing our Young Vocations Champions



Hey! I'm Fr Ben, a young priest and Vicar of St Mary's Church in Kettering.

I'm thrilled to have been asked to be one of the Diocese of Peterborough's two Young Vocations Champions. I'm absolutely passionate about encouraging young and enthusiastic Christians to explore the possibility of serving God in a variety of

ways, not least ordained ministry.

Having felt called by God to serve him as a priest since the age of 12, I know the struggles and anxieties that many young people will face.

Fr Ben Archibald

I'm Hannah Jeffery. I was ordained at 26 and will always be grateful to older Christians around me who helped me to recognise God's call. I'm not sure I'd have recognised it on my own!



I hope to do the same for others – whether that call is to ordination or another form of ministry. I work as a school chaplain and am constantly amazed and humbled by the gifts young people have.

While God calls us all into a variety of roles, I'm passionate that those whose gifts he wants to use in full time ministry are not missed – for the sake of the church, the world, and of course the individual concerned. Nothing is more fulfilling than following God's call! *Hannah Jeffery*

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November Meeting Another well-attended meeting enjoyed a splendid talk from our own member Ruth Maguire on "Genealogy – How Deep Are Your Roots?"_ Ruth introduced us to the techniques of researching family history but gave two warnings – it's a very addictive pastime and our roots are usually by no means as deep as we like to think they are! She also alluded to skeletons in cupboards and warned that we needn't mind going there! Altogether it was a well-presented, amusing yet most informative talk and Loveday Stephen expressed members' appreciation in a warm vote of thanks.

December Meeting This will be on **Thursday 13th December, in the Church Hall at 2.15pm** as usual. We are truly delighted that Revd. Brian Nicholls has kindly agreed to conduct our celebration of Holy Communion for us this year, and this will be followed by a Beetle Drive "with a Christmas theme" – so come and find out what this will be! And, this being MU, tea will follow.

Monthly Corporate Communion It has been decided to start the regular Wednesday celebration of Holy Communion in the Chapel of St John & St Anne at the later time of **10.00 am**. Our monthly Corporate Communions will continue to be held there on the **Third Wednesday** of each month and we are hoping the new time will make it more convenient for members to come. The December Communion will therefore be on **Wednesday 19th December at 10.00 am** so do please try and support it.

Advent Cribs MU Advent Crib will again this year be making their way round families in the parish and we are grateful to Jenni Duffy for

arranging this. We consider it important to make this offering of support, underlining the true meaning of the Nativity and thank all those who have kindly donated the Advent sheep. Each family "visited" by the Holy Family in each of the two cribs keeps one of the sheep as a memento, so about 60 sheep are required each year. As can be imagined, this represents quite a knitting marathon and more volunteer knitters are always welcome, so if you are prepared to help (and also possibly with hand-held teddies and Easter chicks!) have a word with Viv Ufton (770237) who will be pleased to hear from you.

And finally I recently noticed a brief reference in a national daily newspaper to our current campaign to "de-commercialise" Christmas, thus easing the hideous pressure on parents. The article wholly endorsed and commended our efforts – another indication that the commonsense attitude towards family life promulgated by MU is steadily becoming more recognised and gaining support. Let's hope this will soon be reflected in increased active membership.

Barbara James

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Blow dry	£10
Permanent tinting (<i>full head</i>)	£20
Permanent tinting (<i>re-growth</i>)	£18

Semi permanent Colour	£18
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Foil hi-lights (<i>full head</i>)	from £35
Bleaching	By quotation
Perm	£20
Soft perm (<i>semi permanent, gives body and movement</i>)	£15

A free consultation and patch test are required prior to any technical work

Call Jenini on 01572 757855
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Christmas Coffee Morning

Brooke Church

Christmas Coffee Morning

At

6, Tay Close, Oakham, Rutland

Thursday 6th December 2012

10am – Midday

Please come, everyone is welcome.

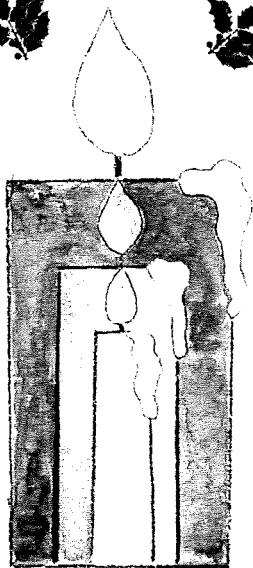
Coffee, Tea and mince pies and bring & buy stall.

*Lite Nite Party
Braunston Village Hall
Sunday October 28
from 4.00pm*

church@4: Braunston

It wasn't hard to find material for our church@4 service this month - it was the ideal excuse to have a Lite Nite Party again! This time though we held a short service in the middle of our activities before enjoying a Tramp Supper of sausage, mash and beans followed by sticky toffee pudding and crumble. Thirty eight adults and children played apple bobbing, 'mummy' wrapping, the chocolate game and several other games with great enthusiasm and a very good time was had by all!

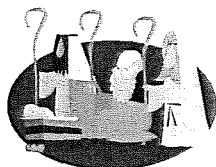




*Advent Fayre
Saturday December 1st
Braunston and Brooke
Village Hall
11am -3pm*

*Festive Cakes and Puddings,
a luxury Christmas Hamper to win,
Sweet Treats, Crafts and Produce
Children's Activities*

*Refreshments all day including
Morning Coffee, Light Lunches, Teas
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Friday November 30th 7.30pm

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LANGHAM CHRISTMAS TREE AND CRIB FESTIVAL

*Sat 1st December 10am-7pm
Sun 2nd December 10am -4pm*

*St Peter and St Paul's Church, Langham, Rutland
Admission £2.50, accompanied children free.*

Refreshments available all weekend

*Also, on the Saturday only, 10am-4pm
Craft Fayre in Village Hall
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OAKHAM NEWS

From Oakham Parish Church Registers

Holy Matrimony

26th October *Mark Charles Rowsell*
& Ruth Elizabeth Williamson

**27th October Richard Hugh Clement White
 & Soo Spector**



"We wish them every happiness in their lives together"

MUSIC AT ALL SAINTS' OAKHAM

Our Wednesday Lunchtime Recitals continue as follows. Our thanks to Oakham School. Happy holidays, and we look forward to your return in January, 2013.

November

21st *Form 4* *Brass Recital*

28th *Alice McLaren* *Alto*

December

5th GASP Choir Oakham School

12th Catmose College

19th *Terry Greer* *Oboe*
 Helen Covington *Piano*

26th Boxing Day NO RECITAL



Lunchtime Recitals are at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesdays. All welcome.
Retiring collection for Church Funds. We look forward to seeing you.

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY ORGAN RECITALS

Peter Siepmann of St. Peter's All Saints' Nottingham will be the Organist on Easter Monday next year! Details of other Recitalists from:

Kevin Slingsby
Tel: 07973 215 444

Christine Carlin
Tel: 722698

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER COMMITTEE

thank you for supporting our Coffee Morning on 7th November.

Next date for your diaries is FRIDAY, 25th JANUARY, 2013, when we will be holding our DISCOVERY DAY (at the Methodist Church – 9.45 a.m. for a 10.00 a.m. start), in preparation for the Service on Friday, 1st March.

“I was a stranger and you welcomed me”

is the theme of the Service, arranged by Christian women of France.

Venue and time to be announced later.

Christine Carlin

Tel: 722698

CHURCH FAMILY POST BOX ‘CHRISTMAS 2012’

Oakham All Saints’ ‘Cards for Church Family Post Box’ will be out from Advent Sunday.

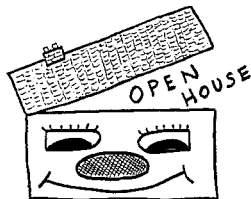
Please put your donation for the Fabric Fund into a separate envelope, marked ‘Christmas 2012’, and put in box on South door.

Thank you.

Pat Munro



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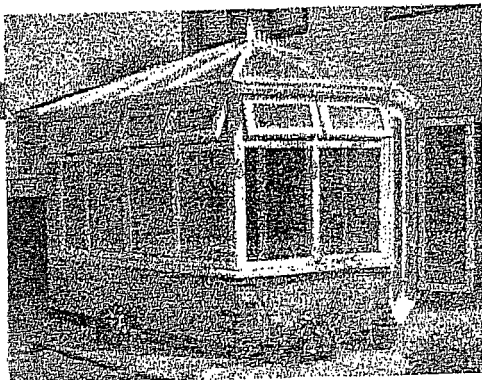
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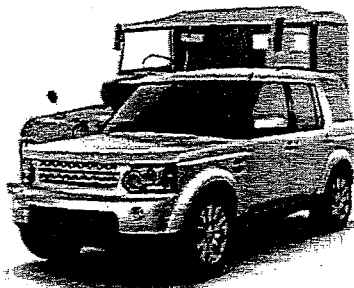


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Diary Dates December

Reg.	Date		
Mon.	t.t.o	2.00pm	Pram and Toddler Service All Saints Oakham
Tues		10.00am	Holy Communion All Saints Oakham
Wed		1.30pm	Lunchtime Concert. All Saints Oakham. (Not 26th Dec)
Thur	t.t.o.	10.00am	Tiny Tots. All Saints Oakham
		12.15pm	CTO Prayer Meeting Trinity Chapel All Saints
Fri		10.00am	Holy Communion All Saints Oakham
Fri	**	12.00	Advent Lunches Church Hall ** (Not 26th)
Others			
Sat	1st	10.00am	Langham Christmas Tree Festival ('til 7pm)
		11.00-3.00pm	Braunston Autumn Fayre Village Hall Something for everyone including light lunches
Sun	2nd		Advent Sunday
		10.00am	Langham Christmas Tree Festival ('til 4pm)
Mon	3rd	7.30pm	Rutland NSPCC Carol Concert Tickets £12 (813626)
Tues	4 th	10.00am	Open House 9, Claresholm Close
Thurs	6th	10.00am	St Peter Brooke Christmas Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy 6 Tay Close Oakham.
Sun	9th		Second Sunday of Advent: Church @4 Langham
Thur	13th	2.15pm	Mothers' Union Church Hall Oakham.
Sun	16th		Third Sunday of Advent
Wed	19th	10.00am	Mothers' Union Corporate Communion St J and St A
Sun	23rd		Fourth Sunday of Advent
Mon	24th		Journey to Jesus: Braunston.
Tues	25th		Christmas Day: A Happy Christmas to Everyone
Wed	26th		Feast of St Stephen.
Thur	27th		St John Apostle and Evangelist
Fri	28th		The Holy Innocents
Sun	30th		Sunday after Christmas
Tues	1st		A very happy new year to you all.
Sat	12th	1.00pm	Langham Table Top Sale Langham Village Hall
Sat	19th	8.30am	Churches Together Prayer Breakfast Victoria Hall Oakham Speaker: Sister Rachel Overton. Tickets £300 (723288)

**** Advent lunches have not been confirmed please check**

Benefice Service Patterns and Times

Church	Note	Week	8am	9.00	9.30	10.30	11.00	4.00	6.00
Oakham		1,2,4	(HC)T			F.C.			EP
	1	3	(HC)T			FC/FS			EP
Ashwell	2	1			HC				
		2				FS			
		3			HC				
		4							EP
Braunston		1 & 3					HC		
		2					MP		
	3	4						Church at 4	
Brooke		1 & 3							EP
		2	HC(B)						
		4	HC(T)						
Egleton		1&3		HC(T)					
Hambleton		2 & 4		HC(T)					
Langham	4	1							EW
		2 & 4					HC		
	3	3						Church at 4	
Market Overton		1							EP
		2 & 4		HC(T)					
		3				FS			
Teigh	5	1		HC(B)					
		2 & 3		HC(B)					
		4		Matins					
Whissendine		1,3 & 4					HC		
		2					FS		

Notes: **HC** Holy Communion Contemporary Language
HC(B) Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer
HC(T) Holy Communion Traditional Language
FC Family Communion
FS Family Service: Not a communion service
MW Morning Worship: Sometimes traditional matins.

Numerical Notes:

1. Alternate months will be a Family Service with or without Communion. On odd months there may be baptism(s) within service
2. Odd months only
3. At Braunston and Langham these are activities of varying kinds an act of worship and afternoon tea.
4. Modern evening worship
5. Even months only

Fifth Sundays These are benefice occasions and a team service is held in one of the churches in the Benefice. See church notices for details of these