



Pathway
Church

**THIS
WEEK**

Dear all,

We're still in the midst of Advent, although Christmas does seem to really begin this week; St Thomas' will be hosting their annual **Christmas Bazaar** this Saturday and **Christingle** on Sunday. This week we'll be welcoming a number of schools into church for their school Christingle services; please pray for them and the Christmas message we have to share this season.

Next weekend is St Mary's **Christmas Tree Festival** - do pop in to see the wonderful displays. If you worship at St Mary's, we would also love some help with opening the church and serving refreshments.

God bless,
Emily



Services & Events this week

Sunday 8th December

09:30 • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coates

09:30 • Morning Praise at St Andrew's, Whittlesey

11:00 • Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Mary's, Whittlesey

followed by Bring & Share lunch at the Rectory

11:00 • Christingle Service at St Thomas, Pondersbridge

2+4pm • Messy Church at The Studio, Whittlesey

Monday 9th December

9-11am • Trinity Tots at Holy Trinity, Coates

13:00 • Memorial Service for Mary Widgery at St Mary's, Whittlesey

Tuesday 10th December

- 09:30** • Morning Prayer (Boiler Room) on Zoom
- 10:00** • School Christingle at St Mary's, Whittlesey
- 10-12** • Friends Coffee Morning in St Andrew's Hall

Wednesday 11th December

- 09:15** • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coates
- 10:00** • Advent Course at Holy Trinity, Coates
- 13:30** • School Christingle at St Mary's, Whittlesey

Thursday 12th December

- 10:00** • Holy Communion at St Mary's, Whittlesey
- 10:45** • Advent Course at St Mary's, Whittlesey

Friday 13th December

- 09:30** • Morning Prayer (Boiler Room) on Zoom
- 10-5pm** • Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's, Whittlesey

Saturday 14th December

- 9-10am** • Breakfast in Pondersbridge Hall
- 10-8pm** • Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's, Whittlesey

Sunday 15th December

- 09:30** • Morning Praise at Holy Trinity, Coates
- 09:30** • Holy Communion at St Andrew's, Whittlesey
- 10-4pm** • Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's, Whittlesey
- 18:00** • Tree Festival Carols at St Mary's, Whittlesey
- 18:00** • Evening Praise at St Thomas, Pondersbridge

For your **PRAYERS** this week:

For Care Home services taking place this week.

For Church-led School assemblies taking place this week.

For those are unwell at this time and in need of healing,
including:

George Brown • Nalia James • Molly O'Brien • Jane Randells •
Joyce Rogers

*If you would like to add a name to the prayer list for healing,
please let us know. People with ongoing need of healing
remain in our prayers even if their names no longer appear
here.*

We remember those who have recently died and pray for their
family and friends at this difficult time, including:

Agnes Coles • Michael Hawksbee • Paula Hubbard • Margaret
Timms • Mary Widgery • Laurie Williams



CHRISTMAS - a full list of our Christmas services and events is
available on our website: www.pathway-church.co.uk/christmas
Please note the Christmas Eve Carol Service is now at 8:30pm.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL - we would love some help with this at St Mary's. There are slots to help sign up to welcome and serve refreshments on Friday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday - please sign up in church or let Emily or Sue know when you can help. Thank you.



CONGRATULATIONS to Charlotte, Rob and Linda who were Confirmed at Ely Cathedral on St Andrew's Day.



Coates marked the beginning of Advent with a service for all ages in worship together. I'm told they all had great fun! They have since sent Mary and Joseph off on their travels around the village before they will welcome them back into Church at the Nativity Service on Christmas Eve.

They are planning another intergenerational service for Mothering Sunday (30th March).

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY falls between the 18th-25th January again next year (2025). There will once again be a **Churches Together Service** at **3pm** on **Sunday 19th January**, location to be confirmed.

Please note that there will be no service at St Andrew's or St Thomas' that Sunday; we will be welcoming our Archdeacon to our services at Holy Trinity and St Mary's.

THIS SATURDAY:



ST Thomas Church

Pondersbridge

**CHRISTMAS
BAZAAR**

Sat 7th December



1pm - 3pm



Home baking - Gifts

Tombola - Raffle - Jigsaws

Father Christmas - Refreshments

Free entry





Messy Church
Christmas

CHURCHES TOGETHER
IN WHITTLESEY & DISTRICT

Sunday **8th** December

Salvation Army Studio Whittlesey
First Session: 2.00-3.30 p.m.
Second Session: 4.00-5.30 p.m.

Each session can accommodate up to 24 ppl
Christmas crafts, table activities, and storytime
with refreshments

RSVP Tim
timwongwhittlesey@gmail.com
or book here



Jesus





Carols at The Falcon

Thursday 19th December
7.30pm

**Come sing your favourite
Christmas carols, enjoy festive
fun & mince pies at The Falcon
Hotel, led by Churches Together!**

1 London St
Whittlesey
PE7 1BH



NEXT WEEKEND:

Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's, Whittlesey

Friday 13th December - 10am-5pm

Saturday 14th December - 10am-8pm

Sunday 15th December - 10am-4pm

Entry £2 (Free for Children under 11)

Sunday 15th December at 6pm

Christmas Carols around the Trees

followed by Mulled Wine & Mince Pies

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Coat of Hope visits Pondersbridge

Wearing The Coat of Hope last night, was a humbling and emotional experience, appreciative of the weight of the garment, amazingly put together and decorated by hundreds of individual works from all who have walked and worn it.

A piece of craft will be designed and worked by St Thomas church members for attachment to the garment.

The group left the village at 8.30 am this morning to walk to Chatteris for an overnight stay, then on into Ely at the weekend.

Our photographs show Rev Mike wearing the Coat of Hope and the Team Leaders continuing the task of sewing memory pieces to the Coat.



Looking ahead to January.....

Saturday 18th January Breakfast Gathering – 9.00 – 10.00

Pondersbridge village hall.

Please book your seat by the end of Thursday 14th January. call -

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Emily's rest day this week is Friday.

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"All things come from You, and of your own have we given You".

1 Chronicles 29:14



If you share our vision of sharing the Good News of Jesus with the communities of Whittlesey, Pondersbridge and Coates then you might like to support that vision financially.

It is very easy to give online [HERE](#).

If you would like to support St Andrew's or St Mary's then we would encourage you to sign up to the Parish Giving Scheme [HERE](#).

Pathway Church is the operating name of the Church of England in Whittlesey, Pondersbridge & Coates; incorporating the Parochial Church Councils of Whittlesey Saint Andrew, Whittlesey Saint Mary, Pondersbridge Saint Thomas and Coates Holy Trinity. Our parishes also covers the areas of Eastrea, Turves and Kings Dyke.

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