

# WELCOME!

Heart of England Group of Parishes:  
Bidford on Avon, Binton, Exhall, Salford Priors,  
Temple Grafton & Wixford

## Notice Sheet for Sunday 21st November 2021 “CHRIST THE KING”



### SERVICES THIS SUNDAY

8.00am	Holy Communion	Exhall
10.00am	Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Salford Priors
10.30am	Muddy Church	Salford Priors

### SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY (28th November)

8.00am	Holy Communion	Wixford
10.00am	Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Salford Priors
11.00am	Village Praise	Exhall

*If you are visiting us today or are here for the first time, we hope you have felt welcomed and have enjoyed worshipping here.*

*Do please introduce yourself to someone after the service.*



Worshipping God  
Making new Disciples  
Transforming Communities

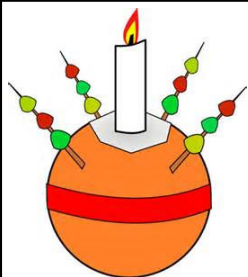


## **For your prayers this week:**

- All who are unwell, especially:  
Eloise Zoe, Henry, Lorraine Cattrell, Joanna Cotterell, Margaret Cotterell, Phil Dalby, Alan & Sarah Edwards, Izzy Foster, Sheila Hagerty, Chloe Lambert, Bethany Morriss, Sylvia Muller, Pam Sharpe, Rose Turner, Alex Waring, Laurence, Rosie Pollard, Martyn Wheller, Vinny, Alan (Margaret's son), Joan (Peter Walker's mother-in-law),  
and all the families, carers and medical staff who treat them
- all who mourn the loss of loved ones,
- All who are feeling lonely, anxious or depressed
- The refugees caught up in the dispute at the Polish/Belarus border
- The people of Afghanistan facing terrible deprivation and starvation
- For the NHS, ambulance service, hospitals and GPs trying to provide the best possible service

**Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

***“All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.”***  
*2 Timothy 3.16 (NLT)*



St Matthew's Christingle Service will be held on Sunday 5th December at 10.30am. Please collect a cardboard candle collection box from the back of church to add your contributions to the Childrens Society and bring them back to church on 5th December.

<u>Readings:</u>	21st November	28th November ADVENT	5th December	12th December
1st Reading	Daniel 7.9-10,13-14	Jeremiah 33.14-16	Malachi 3.1-4	Zephaniah 3.14-20
2nd Reading	Revelation 1.4b-8	1 Thessalonians 3.9-13	Philippians 1.3-11	Philippians 4.4-7
Gospel	John 18.33-37	Luke 21.25-36	Luke 3.1-6	Luke 3.7-18

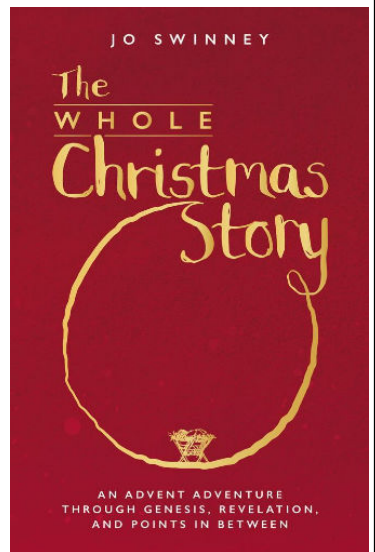


NEXT SUNDAY (28th November) is Advent Sunday, which represents the start of the new Christian year. The four weeks leading up to Christmas have often been used by Christians as a time of preparation to celebrate the coming of Christ into the world. If you would like to set aside some time during this period for study and prayer, then please see the article below which recommends a book of a series of daily readings through Advent.



### **Advent Reading:**

Rev Sheila Bridge is recommending a book of daily readings through Advent called *The Whole Christmas Story* by Jo Swinney, this is the Bible Reading Fellowship's Advent Book for 2021. It sets the Nativity Story in the fullest frame of the whole story of Redemption from Genesis to Revelation and points in between. All you need to do to join in is order yourself a copy (£7.49 from [Eden.co.uk](http://Eden.co.uk)) and read along. There will be a few copies available to buy at St Matthew's. Sheila will arrange a couple of opportunities to meet up to discuss either on zoom or in person and you can come to either or both or just read along for yourself.



### **St Matthew's Homegroups**

If you are interested in joining a Homegroup at St Matthew's, please sign the list at the back of church, indicating which day would suit you best and whether you would like a daytime or an evening group.





## Alcester Deanery Synod

# All are welcome

Thursday, 25 November 2021

\* **7.30 pm**

You are invited to come and hear  
our speaker:

Revd Craig Grocock,

Diocesan Spirituality Advisor

'What is spirituality? How can I deepen my  
prayer life'

Venue: Claverdon Church Centre, Claverdon,  
CV35 8PD

Following the speaker you  
may leave before the rest of  
the meeting begins



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