



WHAT'S ON IN THE NORTHLEACH BENEFICE

Wednesday 28th November

Northleach Court 2.30 pm Afternoon Worship David Ford

Sunday 2nd December

Haselton	9.00 am	Holy Communion – CW	David Ford
Northleach	10.30 am	Advent family service with launch of Posada	David Ford
Hampnett	10.30 am	Matins	Serena Lancaster
Cold Aston	10.30 am	Matins	John Hollows
Northleach	6.30 pm	Evensong	David Ford

Welcome to Worship

A very warm welcome to everyone in church today, especially if you are new to this church or visiting the area this weekend. May our time together today bring renewal in our faith, strength to manage the challenges of life and encouragement to live as faithful friends of Jesus.



For your prayers

In your prayers this week, please pray for the village of Notgrove. Ruth Cotton, Camilla Trotter, Brian Hartigan, Lizzie Hall, Debbie Davies, Ron Haines, David Cotton, Betty Harris, and all others whose needs we know and who have asked for our prayers.



Church News

Although many of our own families are away, there will be a Crib Service this year led by the Rector. But he needs help! Please let David know if you can help organise the children – no acting involved! Thank you.

Open the Book: If you're excited about sharing Bible stories with school children and want to have fun with a team dressing up in costume to act the part, perhaps you'd like to be a Storyteller and join our team? As volunteers, we have had no stage experience..... we read our parts from a book, so there are no lines to be learnt and no preparation beforehand. As a group we get on very well and the rehearsal before the children come in is often very amusing. The hour on Wednesday that we spend at school is a special time for us all, and we find that the enjoyment that the children get from it very rewarding. We would really like to hear from anyone who would like to join us! Please speak to the Rector or Curate.

Northleach PCC has decided to divide the Christmas collections this year 50:50 between **Northleach Church** and the homeless charity **Open Door** in Cheltenham.

Advance Notice: Bishop Rachel will be making an Episcopal Visit to Northleach on Sunday 10th February and will Preside and Preach at a special benefice service at 10.30am. Please make a note in your diary!

Christmas Cards for distribution around the town will be available in Northleach Church from this Sunday. Please take your bundle and any un-named ones that you can help deliver. Thank you.

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 26th November – **Christmas Crafts** in Northleach Church from 7.30pm

Tuesday 27th November – **Black Cat Directors** meet in the café from 7.30pm

Friday 30th November – **Cold Aston PCC** meets at 7pm

Prayer for the week ahead Lord Jesus, you appeared powerless before Pilate, and yet in you is all power and all truth. Help me to discern your truth in my own life, and in the life of the world, that I may be confident, compassionate and committed to the causes of justice and peace. In your name, I pray. Amen.

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