



WHAT'S ON IN THE NORTHLEACH BENEFICE

Monday 17th December

Northleach Market Place 7.00 pm Carols in Northleach Marketplace David Ford

Tuesday 18th December

Haselton 5.00 pm Evening Prayer Ilse Ferwerda
Northleach 6.00 pm Advent Spiral Mark Tennant

Wednesday 19^h December

Northleach 10.30 am Holy Communion – CW David Ford
Northleach Court 2.30 pm Holy Communion – BCP for Christmas Ilse Ferwerda
Compton Abdale 5.00 pm Evening Prayer Ilse Ferwerda

Friday 21st December

Turkdean 6.30 pm Carols by Candlelight David Ford

Sunday 23rd December

Northleach 8.00 am Holy Communion – BCP Ilse Ferwerda
Farmington 10.30 am Benefice Family Service with Carols David Ford
Cold Aston 6.00 pm Carol Service David Ford

Advent 4

Welcome to Worship

A very warm welcome to everyone in church today as we continue to celebrate Advent. As we prepare once more to celebrate Jesus' birth, may we continue to pray for the strengthening of his presence in our lives and in our communities.



For your prayers

In your prayers this week, please pray 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.

Northleach PCC has decided to divide the Christmas collections this year 50% to **Northleach Church** and 25% to the homeless charity **Open Door** in Cheltenham and 25% to **Acorns Children's Hospice**.

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!

Dates for your Diaries

A Thanksgiving Service will take place on **Friday 11th January** at 12noon in Northleach Church for **Joyce Sly**.

Post Communion Hymn at Northleach (10.30am)

Bless the Lord my Soul. And bless his holy name. Bless the Lord my Soul. Who leads me into life

Prayer for the week ahead

Lord, when I am weighed down with tiredness, when my list of cards to write, presents to buy, and people to visit is longer than the hours in my day, help me to separate the crucial from the cosmetic, and not always to be trying to do more, but to do less better. Amen.

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