

HEMPTON CHRISTMAS BAZAAR SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER: Hempton's annual bazaar takes place this year on 1st December and we hope that you will join the team in this key fund raiser for the church. We have some great raffle prizes, amazing cakes, games and fun for all ages, and of course, Santa will be making his annual appearance in the village in his very own bespoke grotto! We are open from 11am so do pop by for a great social event. As ever we will be serving our lunch time favourites of home-made soup and bacon rolls, and this year have added pizza to our menu. Warming drinks and mince pies are also available. If you are able to help at all on the day or donate a bottle for the tombola please contact Jen Childs, 337481.

THE YOUTH CHOIR of the Sofia Church from Deddington's link parish in Jönköping, Sweden is visiting in December. The Choir will arrive in Deddington on Friday 7th December. They will perform the Lucia ceremony for Deddington School in Church at 1.45pm. All are welcome to this. The performance lasts about 40 minutes. The Church will hold a party for the Choir on the evening of Saturday 8th December, starting at 7pm at the Church. Further details will be announced. Bring your friends to meet our guests! The Choir will sing at the morning service in Deddington Church on Sunday 9th December at 10.30am Holy Communion and will give a Lucia performance in St Mary's Banbury at 4pm (entry is free) - again, all are welcome. On Monday 9th the Choir leaves Deddington for Lucia performances in Shenington Primary School at 9am and Christ Church Cathedral at 2pm before flying home.

CHRISTMAS DAY AT DEDDINGTON CHURCH: If you are going to be on your own this Christmas, and would like to have some company, or if you, or someone you know has difficult memories of this time of year, then please come and join us for Christmas lunch and some festive fun. We just need to know numbers for catering purposes. So if you could show your interest on one of the lists at the back of our churches, that would be great.

CHRISTINGLES PREPARATIONS – DEDDINGTON CHURCH: Monday 24th December, Christmas Eve at 9.30am onwards - If you would like to help with the preparing and making of the Christingles ready for the Crib Service and Christingle at 4pm. Please let Judy know. Many thanks

TRYING AN OLD IDEA WITH A NEW TEAM AT DEDDINGTON CHURCH: We are seeking new recruits to clean the church. As cleaning on a single date has been hard to arrange, it would be helpful if people "adopted" a space to tend on a regular basis as and when you are able. A floor plan is provided so that you can choose and claim your area. Ideas are: chairs, wooden furniture, children's corner, either porch, living room, chancel, behind the curtain, votive candle stand, etc. Floor cleaning would be done after markets and BEFORE the chairs are replaced. Please consult the events calendar to find an opportunity.

The Gospel writers all speak of the rule of Jesus, whether already in his ministry or in his death – where it is revealed in gracious forgiveness – or in his role, which he outlines to Pilate in terms of true kingship. Christ rules by love and we are asked whether we can accept such kingship. We pray for the grace to recognize the majesty and victory of Christ as we are called to worship God, maker and Redeemer

HYMNS AT DEDDINGTON CHURCH

CP: 497 Let all the world, 589 The King of love my shepherd is, 546 O worship the King, 433 Give me joy in my heart

DEDDINGTON CHURCH THIS WEEK

Monday – Friday	08.45	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	10.00	Holy Communion Service
Saturday	08.45	Prayers
	19.00	Centenary of end of WW1 – Poems and Song

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY (2nd December)

Hempton	09.00	Holy Communion
Barford St Michael	10.30	Holy Communion
Deddington	10.30	Family Service
	18.00	Benefice Advent Carol Service

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading	Jeremiah 33:14-16
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Gospel	Luke 21:25-36

We welcome George who is being baptised at Deddington Church today. We pray for him, his parents, godparents, family and friends, as he begins his Christian journey.

Thank you! We are delighted to say that our Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday 10 November raised £1,573.90 for the church fund. Thank you so much for all your kind donations, for helping to run the stalls and for coming along on the day. We really appreciate your support. Caroline, Wendy, Angela, John, Heather and Merial

Churchwardens:

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Anyone with an enquiry about Weddings or Baptisms should speak to the Vicar after a service.

For all other church bookings please contact:

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Items for inclusion in this weekly news sheet should be sent to Judy by 12 noon on Wednesdays.