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December 18/January 19

News from the the Clyst Mission Community

the parishes of Broadclyst, Clyst Honiton, Pinhoe, Rockbeare and Sowton.

Welcome ... After lots of busy-ness and packing it was with great delight that we arrived here in the Clyst Mission community in August. We are so thankful for the warm welcome we have received as a family and are looking forward to getting to know you all over the coming months.

The installation service was a joy for all of us (the children loved the balloons!) and we are excited at the prospect of finding out where God is at work in the community. As Bishop Robert said during the installation service, the church can't operate as it used to and we will need to work together as a team in order to see the good news of the Gospel spread through the area. I am very aware of the faithful service that so many of you have given to God and His church over previous years and whilst

things may need to look a bit different my hope is that we will find a way to move forward whilst honouring all the amazing things that have happened in the past.

The children have settled well into their new school and we are looking forward to Ben finishing his job in Swindon at Christmas, no more early commutes! Please do make yourselves known to us. Ben is much better at remembering names than I am so please bear with me! As we look forward to Christmas lets take the opportunity this advent to focus once more on Jesus, the light of the world, and the difference he can make to our lives and the lives of those we love. I hope to see many of you at one of our Christmas services and although it is still early I wish you a **Very Merry Christmas!**
.....from **Wiz** Team Rector

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Church Services

**From January there will be changes to services.
From January every Sunday there will be a Clyst
Mission Family Service at Pinhoe School at 1030.
Please check the December services before you
come. Christmas services are listed seperately.**

Across the Mission Community you will find services at different times, some traditional and some less so. We welcome all ages to all of our services. Please come to whichever service you feel comfortable with. Where there is a fifth sunday in the Month we meet at one of our community churches for a Guest Service, with most other services cancelled. The next Guest Service is December 30th, 1030 at Clyst Honiton Church.

St John the Baptist,Broadclyst

1st and 3rd Sundays Morning Prayer Parish Church
10.00am
2nd and 4th Sundays Holy Communion Parish Church
10.00am

St Michael & All Angels,Clyst Honiton

Parish Church 10.00am
2nd and 4th Sunday: Communion

St Mary's with St Andrew,Rockbeare

1st Sunday 10.00am Communion
3rd Sunday 8.30am BCP Communion

St Michael & All Angels, Pinhoe

3rd Sunday Communion Parish Church 10.30am
2nd and 4th Sunday Communion Hall Church 8.30am
3rd Thursday Messy Church at Pinhoe School 3.30pm
(term times)

St Michael & All Angels, Sowton

Parish Church 6.30pm
2nd Sunday Evensong
4th Sunday Communion

Christmas Services

Christingle Services

Sunday 2nd 3.30pm Broadclyst Primary School Hall
4pm Pinhoe Church

Carol Services

Sunday 16th 4pm Clyst Honiton Church
Monday 17th 7.30pm Pinhoe Church (Candlelit)
Wednesday 19th 6.30pm Rockbeare Church
(Candlelit)
Sunday 23rd 6.30pm Broadclyst Church
6.30pm Sowton Church

Community Carols

Thursday 13th 7.30pm Pinhoe Jubilee Club
Saturday 15th 7.30pm Duke of York Pub Clyst
Honiton
Wednesday 19th 7pm The New Inn Broadclyst

Crib Services

Sunday 23rd 10.30am Pinhoe Primary School Hall
Monday 24th 4pm Broadclyst Church
4.30pm Rockbeare Church

Midnight Communion

Christmas Eve 11.30pm Pinhoe Church
11.30pm Clyst Honiton Church

Christmas Day

Communion 10.00 Broadclyst Church
10.30 Pinhoe Church
Family Communion 10am Rockbeare Church

Christmas Greetings

Tony and Janet Garrick wish all in the mission community a Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year. (Donation sent to the Ronald Macdonald Hostel, Bristol)

Church News

St Michaels and All Angels Clyst Honiton

We continue to fund raise on a monthly basis. In November another Quiz Nights was held at the Duke of York Inn thanks to the landlady Maureen who supports us greatly. These quiz nights have become very popular, partly because of the fabulous ploughman's suppers that she provides!

Our December event is also in the Duke of York. This time it's our grand raffle that is held during our 'Christmas Celebration', an evening of carols,

reflection and once again food. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in the fun. This will be followed by our Carol Service in church the following day at 4pm.

January will see a Coffee Morning held in church. Everyone is welcome to come along at 10:30am on 19th January when the festive season will be a memory.

Meanwhile the churchwardens, PCC and congregation of Clyst Honiton wish you, and everyone you care about, a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

St John the Baptist, Broadclyst

It was heart warming to see the turn out of young, and the not so young, worshippers for the Remembrance Day Service. We send our gratitude to the Girl Guides and Brownies for their input of making and baking their own poppies, and for annotating each poppy with the name of one of the seventy-seven men from the village, who so courageously fought and lost their lives in WW1. The Christmas Services this year are very much like

last year but we wont be having a service at Midnight on Christmas Eve. The nearest Christmas Eve service is at Pinhoe Church starting at 11.30pm.

Dora and Arthur take this opportunity to wish all members of our Church Family a very happy peaceful Christmas and to say a big thank you for all your support during 2018.

St Michael and All Angels, Sowton

At our Evening Prayer service on Remembrance Sunday, the congregation gathered around the pews by the north aisle where there are wall plaques listing the names of local victims of WW1 and WW2. We celebrated the centenary of the ending of WW1 with special prayers for the 15 men from Sowton parish who lost their lives. Life-sized perspex silhouettes were placed in the pews nearest to the wall to represent those who did not return from the battlefields.

Copies of "Not Forgotten", a book published by Bishops Clyst Parish Council in 2016, are available for purchase. This tells the stories of the 23 men from the parishes of Sowton and Clyst St. Mary who died in WW1, with background information about

their lives both before and during the conflict. All profits from the sale of these books is being sent to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission which has two cemeteries in Iraq, one in Pakistan and eighteen along the Western Front where the names of 22 of our local soldiers are recorded.

On a totally separate subject, please note that our Carol Service is being held on Sunday 23 December at 6.30pm., but there will no Holy Communion service this year on Christmas Day morning.

A Christmas Social is being held in Sowton Village Hall on Saturday 8 December, starting at 6.30 pm. Half the profits from the Christmas Draw at this event will be given to the church.

St Michael and All Angels, Pinhoe

Harvest Supper: Our Harvest Supper in October was a very pleasant evening when visitors enjoyed a Ploughman's Supper followed by apple pie and cream. The event raised a substantial amount towards the work of Farm Africa.

Quiz Evening: Ten teams took up the challenge when quizmaster Robin Thwaytes tested our

knowledge (or lack of it!). Thanks to all those who came along and supported us. Congratulations to the Harringcourt team of friends who won by a clear lead.

Christmas Fayre: Thank you to all those who supported our recent Christmas Fayre when an amount of £660.00 was raised. This was an opportunity not only to raise funds for the Church but to enjoy fellowship and it was lovely to welcome both members of our Church and local Community.

Christmas Bingo: Saturday 8 December All are welcome to our next fundraising event which is a Christmas Bingo at the Jubilee Club on Saturday 8 December at 7.30pm. Wonderful prizes guaranteed and lots of fun! Come and join us.

Community Carols: Thursday 13 December: Do come along to the Jubilee Club on Thursday 13 December at 7.30pm and enjoy singing familiar Christmas carols. It's a lovely way to start the Christmas festivities and mince pies and cream are served during the interval. Re-discover the true meaning of Christmas!

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Pinhoe Angels: We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm at the Hall Church. We enjoy a variety of meetings with speakers, workshops and visits. We are looking forward to our Christmas Meal in December and a visit to Pinhoe Pantomime in January. Some meetings are open to family and friends. New members are always most welcome and if you would like more information, contact Janet Marks on 01392 469628.

St Mary's with St Andrew, Rockbeare

We really enjoyed welcoming Wiz to our Harvest service and the family to Harvest Lunch afterwards. The sun shone as we all sat in the garden spending time chatting and getting to know each other better.

The brunches we laid on in the Village Hall during half term were very worthwhile. Word travelled fast so the second one was hopping! Parents, grandparents and children enjoyed the chance to have a sociable time to play and have a good meal. too. The pastries were very popular! Visitors appreciated that we were doing something special for them, without expecting any return. We are

very grateful to Cranbrook Co-Op, Pinhoe Sainsbury's and Honiton Tesco for their generous donations. We will do the same again in February half term and we'll provide children's activities in church as part of the village Robin Trail, on December 1st.

Severe subsidence has meant we had to stop using the external vestry door in case it brought down the vestry! We are now embarking on the expensive business of consulting a structural engineer as opinion differs on the cause of the problem – tree roots or blocked soakaways. Watch this space!

Both Remembrance services in the parish avoided the rain. In Rockbeare on 8th November, a piper led the procession from the school to the war memorial, with villagers following behind. The children had made named poppies to place as Bernard read the names of the fallen. The Marsh Green service was conducted by Wiz in the sunshine followed by cuppas and cake.

Our annual quiz returns to the Golden Pond on 6th February 2019. A Pinhoe team have already booked early to avoid disappointment!

December Events

Sat 1st	10.00 Coffee Morning BDC
Mon 3rd	10.00 Clyst Caring coffee club HC (every Monday in December)
Tues 4th	19.30 Angels HC
Wed 5th	9.15 Little Angels BC 10.00 Coffee Club, CHC
Sat 8th	8.00 Ladies prayer breakfast HC 10.00 Coffee Morning HC
Tues 11th	10.00 Chatterbox BC
Wed 12th	9.15 Little Angels, Broadclyst VH 10.00 Coffee Club, CHC
Thurs 13th	19.30 Carols at Jubilee Club, Pinhoe
Sat 15th	19.30 Carols at Duke of York
Sun 16th	16.00 Carols at Clyst Honiton Church
Wed 19th	09.15 Little Angels, Broadclyst VH 10.00 Coffee Club, CHC 18.30 Carols by Candlelight RC 19.00 Carols at the New Inn, Broadclyst
Thurs 27th	10.00 Knit and Natter HC
Sun 30th	10.30 Joint Service Clyst Honiton Church

January Events

Wed 2nd	09.15 Little Angels VH Broadclyst 10.00 Clyst Honiton Coffee Club CHC
Sat 5th	08.00 Ladies Prayer Breakfast HC 10.00 Clyst Caring Friends Coffee BDC
Tues 8th	10.00 Chatterbox BC
Wed 9th	09.15 Little Angels, VH 10.00 Clyst Honiton Coffee Club CHC
Sat 12th	0800 Ladies Prayer Breakfast HC 10.00 Church Coffee Morning HC
Mon 14th	10.00 Clyst Caring Friends Coffee HC (every Monday in January)
Wed 16th	09.15 Little Angels VH 10.00 Clyst Honiton Coffee Club CHC
Thurs 17th	15.30 Messy Church, Pinhoe School
Tues 22nd	10.00 Chatterbox BC
Wed 23rd	09.15 Little Angels, Broadclyst VH 10.00 Clyst Honiton Coffee Club CHC
Wed 30th	09.15 Little Angels, VH 10.00 Knitting Box BC 10.00 Coffee Club CHC
Thurs 31st	10.00 Knit and Natter HC

Key to Venues: BDC Broadclyst Day Centre, HC Hall
Church Pinhoe, BC Broadclyst Church, VH Victory Hall,
CHC Clyst Honiton Church, RC Rockbeare Church

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