



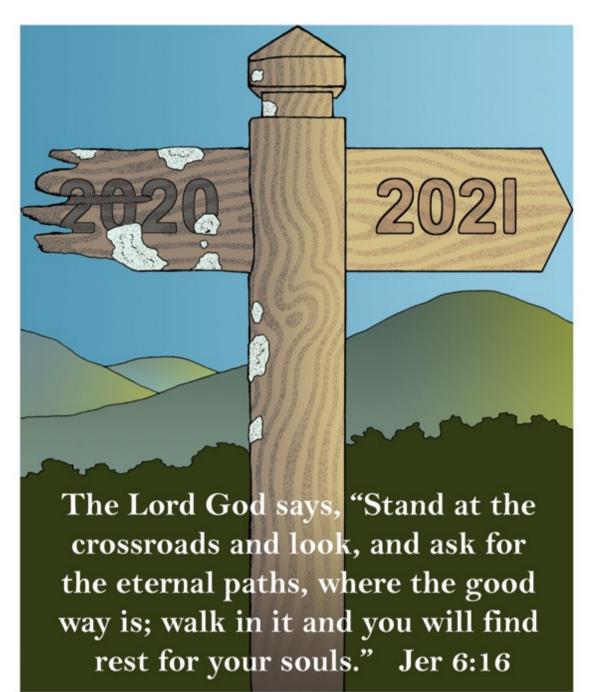


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Wishing all our readers Best Wishes for 2021

Thank you to everyone who has contributed in any way to the production of The Herald during 2020



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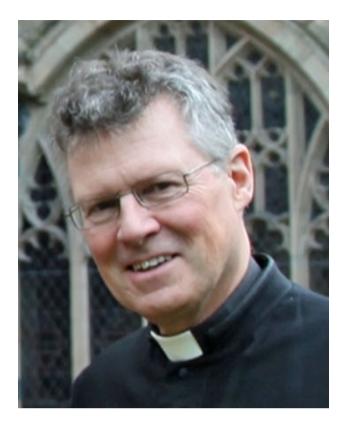
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Letter from the Dean of Worcester, Peter Atkinson

Writing an article on the last day of November for inclusion in the January issue of a parish magazine needs the wisdom of the prophet Daniel, who could unravel mysteries and foretell the future. Sadly, the Diocesan Director of Communications has asked me instead!

What will be happening about the Covid restrictions and the progress of the vaccine? What trading arrangements will there be with the European Union as the transition period comes to an end? Will there be an orderly transition of power in the United States? I don't know the answers to any of these questions, but the enthusiasm or otherwise with which we wish each other a 'happy New Year' will depend in large measure on the answers to those questions. Our lives and our livelihoods, the health of ourselves and our loved ones and the earth itself are all bound up in the answers to those questions.

There is a rich seam of Christian spirituality to help us reflect on the fact that we cannot foretell the future. Jesus said, 'Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Let the day's own trouble be sufficient for the day'. The eighteenth-century spiritual writer



Jean-Pierre de Caussade wrote of 'the sacrament of the present moment'. And the English poet and theologian, St John Henry Newman, included these lines in one of his hymns: 'I do not ask to see the distant scene; one step enough for me'. He addressed that hymn to the 'Kindly Light' whom he believed had guided his life, even when he wasn't aware of it.

We cannot know the future; we cannot even be certain of tomorrow. But we can put our hope in the Kindly Light of Christ, and take the New Year as it comes, step by step.

Peter Atkinson, Dean of Worcester



A Prayer for the Year ahead

Dear Heavenly Father,

As the New Year begins, help us to find space to hear your voice.

May we listen and be changed.

Help us to see the beauty in your creation.

May we recognise the love that surrounds us.

Help us to find peace in the busyness of life. May we rest in you and be renewed. Strengthen us, Lord, to share your love with the world.

Amen

(a Lee Abbey prayer)

For all those who are sick, in special need or house-bound:

Mark Bartlett; Heather Attwood; Sylvia Emson; Bishop John Inge

For those who have died, and all who mourn them:

Paul Egan, Audrey Taylor, Susan Crump, Dennis Coles, Freda Swords, Dennis Smith, Maria Kesterton and Clive Wells

Caring Hands – Food Donations

Gabrielle Falkiner has been collecting goods for donations to the Christian Centre. She takes delivery of these items at her home and takes them to the Centre for distribution to those who need support. Gabrielle and Pippa Henley took all the donations of food from the Harvest Festival Service to the Centre.

Word of the Year

The Cambridge Dictionary has named 'quarantine' as its 'word of the year' for 2020. Apparently, it was the word most looked up between January and October of last year. 'Quarantine' even beat 'pandemic' and 'lockdown'.

The Cambridge Dictionary has now added a new meaning to the word 'quarantine'. It runs: 'A general period of time in which people are not allowed to leave their homes or travel freely, so that they do not catch or spread a disease.'

The editors are also considering some possible new words for the dictionary. These include '**Quaranteam**' (a group of people who go into quarantine together), **Lockstalgia** (a feeling of nostalgia for the lockdown period), and **Coronnial** (someone born around the time of the pandemic).



Toy Service

Yet another successful Toy Service was held at St. Andrew's on Sunday 6 December.

With Covid on everyone's mind it was thought that it might not be as popular this year, but once again the Community came together to bring happiness to those less fortunate.

Following the service, Margaret and Elaine took three bags plus a box of



parcels to the Adventure Playground for distribution. This was in addition to a large bag of soft toys being donated to the Christian Centre the previous week. The light does indeed shine in the Darkness! A happy and peaceful Christmas to you all.

Carol Service

This year, as we are not able to sing in church , we decided to have a Carol Service outside. It was so well received that we may repeat it again in 2021.

We carried out a careful risk assessed for the event; ensured we had Track and Trace, and that everyone was socially distanced.

The people of Hampton were in fine voice and we were in the Christmas spirit despite COVID19.



As this service is usually a Christingle service, we have

decided to donate the collection to the **Children's Society** who benefit from our usual Christingle services.

Happy New year to you all



Additions to the Benefice Team

Robin and Laura Hillman moved to Hampton around 18 months ago and became members of St Andrew's Church. They are both Licenced Lay Ministers (Readers), and have been given permission to officiate in our Benefice. They are a welcome addition to the Benefice Team.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally held between 18-25 January.

This year's materials have been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. The chosen theme, "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit", is based on John 15:1-17 and expresses the Grandchamp Community's vocation to prayer, reconciliation and unity.

The community has fifty sisters, all women from different generations, Church traditions, countries and continents. The sisters remain faithful to a life of

prayer, life in community and the welcoming of guests as they share the grace of their monastic life with visitors and volunteers who go to Grandchamp for a time of retreat, silence, healing or in search of meaning.

Abiding in Christ is an inner attitude that takes root in us over time. It demands space to grow. It can be overtaken by the struggle for the necessities of life and it is threatened by the distractions, noise, activity and the challenges of life. During this week, the sisters are inviting churches to enter into their tradition of prayer and silence, remembering that prayer and everyday life are not two separate realities but are meant to be united. All that we experience is meant to become an encounter with God.

Stopping the Spread of Covid

Here is an easy resolution for the New Year: open your windows at home for 'short sharp bursts' of 10 to 15 minutes at a time, several times a day.

The government's public information campaign says that regular fresh air can cut the risk of Covid transmission by more than 70 per cent.



So, either leave a window open a small amount continuously, or open it fully on a regular basis throughout the day, especially if anyone has come to visit you in your home. Coronavirus is spread through the air by droplets and smaller particles known as aerosols. They can hang in the air for hours and they build up over time.

Parish Giving Scheme

We have recently signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) and church members have been very good at joining the scheme. Hopefully during 2021 envelopes will no longer be used. Any standing orders or direct debits paid to the PCC Account will go to the new account – Parish Giving Scheme. Any other donations can be put into the collection box provided in Church.

If we have a loose plate collection for specific charities this will be advertised in advance so you can remember to bring some change for your donation.

Thank you to the congregation for getting involved in the scheme which will be one less job for Shirley, the Treasurer and the Office to carry out. Each month we will receive the Gift Aid directly into our bank account as part of the PGS.

If you are interested in joining the OGS please contact the Treasurer Carolyn Jenkins on 01386 442124. Thank you all for helping to keep our church safe.

EPIPHANY FOR TODAY

This month we celebrate Epiphany, when we remember the Magi from the East who followed a star to find the baby Jesus: *'Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews?'* (Matthew 2:1).

At the start of a New Year, amid the uncertainty of the pandemic, are we asking the same question? The gifts they offered show us how we can find Him in the uncertainty of the coming year: *'they bowed down and worshipped Him...and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.'* (2:11).

The *gift of gold* reflects that the Magi saw in the baby a king, destined to rule over us all. In this coming year we need to remember that Jesus is on the throne, the seat of power and authority in the whole universe. Will we crown Him king of our lives and dedicate all that we are and do to Him?

The *gift of frankincense* reflects that the visitors saw not just an earthly king, but God in human flesh. Incense symbolises the prayers of God's people and so this gift reminds us that God is worthy of our worship and prayer. Will we offer our praise and prayer, as we seek God to guide us through the uncertainties of this time?

The *gift of myrrh* reflects that these astrologers saw beyond the baby's birth and life, to His death which would secure life for all. Jesus was offered myrrh on the cross and was a spice used in His tomb. As we face the sufferings of this New Year, we can be confident that Jesus knows and understands our experience. Are we ready to trust Him?

'Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice! Heav'n sings Hallelujah: Hallelujah the earth replies.' ('We Three Kings').

Evesham Relief in Need

This charity (Charity Number 205074) was first registered in May 1962 and the objective is 'relieving either generally or individually persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress by making grants for items, services or facilities calculated to reduce the need, hardship or distress'.

The charity covers those who live with the Parish boundaries of Evesham, Hampton, Bengeworth and Norton. Applications will be considered outside the area of Evesham on an individual basis.

The charity awards one-off grants, typically no more than £500. Grants have been awarded for school uniform, white goods, household items such as carpets, household bills (not Council Tax), and computer equipment. Small denomination food vouchers are also made available from local churches. Grants are also made to organisations where the charitable aims are met.

The income comes mainly from the Edward Rudge Estate and investments. The total amount of grants each year is normally between £3,000 and £6,000.

Applications can be made in writing to the Clerk (preferably by email) by a sponsoring organisation such as Social Services, housing associations, local authority, church or other charitable organisations for example John Martin. There is no application form but the following information is required: details of the organisation proposing the individual/family, name and address of the applicant, amount required, what the purpose of the grant is and some details of why the applicant is unable to finance this for themselves. Evidence of expenditure is to be provided to the Clerk. There is no deadline for applications as they are awarded throughout the year but the applicant cannot be eligible for support from other sources.

The email address for the Clerk (Caryl Mills) is

asumsouth.office@hamptonchurch.org.uk

and the postal address for written applications is:

The Benefice Office, 54A Pershore Road, Evesham, WR11 2PQ.

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Pandemics: An historical perspective

By Dr Tim Mason

We are currently threatened by Coronavirus, which is causing a global epidemic, or pandemic, of Covid-19. Pandemics, though, are nothing new and over the centuries we have developed ways of dealing with them. This is a brief history of pandemics and ways of responding to them. Today's problems are not so dissimilar to those of the past.

One of the first pandemics of which we are aware was one of 'The Plague'. Starting out as a harmless bacterium colonising reptile intestines, it had, by 1000BCE, evolved to cause lethal infections in people. That evolution continued for another millennium when, in 180CE, a strain arose which would change the course of human history. By 660CE it had killed a third of the population of Constantinople, from where it spread further west, reaching Britain 120 years later. That's less than 20 miles per year! History shows us, then, that pandemics begin imperceptibly as microbes evolve and are then spread by human activity.

A second pandemic of the Plague, one which became known as 'The Black Death', originated in China around 1200. From there, facilitated by trade and warfare, it spread at twice the speed of the first. It arrived in Dorset on 7 July 1348, an event now proudly recorded there, on a plaque! From here it spread along the coast in small trading vessels, arriving in my home village of Titchfield in October that year - the first place in Hampshire to get the disease. The Manorial Court there recorded eight deaths that month, a figure which by May of the following year had increased to a total of 155, a third of the population - a death toll that was repeated throughout the land.

By this time the disease was recognised as infectious, so the response made to it was to prevent the sick from coming into contact with the healthy. Houses where a sick person lived were sealed up, leaving sick and healthy together to their fate. Doors were guarded and food provided. No-one was allowed in or out for six weeks. By that time sufferers would have either died or recovered and certainly none would be infectious. We'd call that enforced quarantine today.

Windsor in the 16th Century adopted an even more radical measure. Seeing London as a potential source of infection, they set up a gallows to hang anyone arriving from there! A rather extreme enforcement of Lockdown!

A century later the capital was again suffering from the disease and, in an attempt to escape it, Charles I moved the law courts out to Reading. The result was an outbreak of the disease there and sufferers were moved out to a recently built 'Pest House' in Whitley. The disease remained a threat until the late 18th Century, by which time improved housing and nutrition, along with recognition that rats were an undesirable presence in places of human habitation, saw the disease decline. This decline was probably also driven by a drop in global temperature. It was not unusual for the Thames to freeze over for up to two months!

The first disease for which a vaccine was produced was smallpox, which had been causing pandemics since the second century CE. That disease, caused by the *Variola* virus, had though been recognised well before that, in China in the 5th Century BCE. Here they observed that it could only be contracted once and, by the 10th Century CE, it was common for children there to be deliberately infected with a mild form of the disease and thereby be protected from any more serious form. It was not until the early 18th Century that news of this technique, called 'Inoculation', reached Britain. Its use soon became widespread.

In the context of smallpox immunisation though, it is Edward Jenner who is remembered by his establishing the alternative technique of 'vaccination', using *Vaccinia*, a similar virus from cows. He had heard that milkmaids infected with cowpox became immune to smallpox, without their having risked a smallpox infection. They developed no more than sores on their fingers. So, in 1796 he vaccinated Sarah Nelmes, using cowpox from a cow called Blossom. It worked and subsequent worldwide vaccination resulted in the eventual elimination of smallpox in 1980, the first infection for which that had been achieved and an objective which we have for the current Covid-19 pandemic. It will undoubtedly be a bigger challenge, but bigger too are the tools at our disposal.

First published in 'Titchfield News', December 2020. Dr Tim Mason is a retired lecturer in Microbiology from the University of Portsmouth. He continues to give lectures on the history of infectious diseases to a wide range of audiences.

Holocaust Memorial Day – 27 January

Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) takes place every year on 27 January, and is the international day to remember those murdered in the Holocaust, under Nazi persecution and in the genocides that followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.



It is promoted and supported by the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT), the national charity which encourages remembrance in a world scarred by genocide.

HMD is marked in communities across the UK who come together to learn, reflect and take action for a safer future. Faith groups are a huge part of this, and HMDT provides support and resources to help churches mark HMD with their parishes.

For HMD 2021, the theme is "Be the light in the darkness" – a call to action which resonates with people of all faiths and none. Resources include prayers, liturgical resources, films, life stories and much more. For more information, visit the <u>Holocaust Memorial Day website</u>.

Hinton - Witterings from the villages ALM

It seems very odd thinking about a New Year in early December. It's not snowed yet, I'm still at work frantically trying to find my desk, we're all trying to decide if we can do carol singing with suitable distances because who doesn't want to belt out Ding Dong Merrily on High with gusto?!

If there is anything this year has taught us, it is that time and friendships and the environment are precious. More valuable than new shoes or mascara or another shiny red power tool for the shed.

Evesham Bat Care has had 235 critters pass through the doors at time of writing, that is almost 100 more than last year. When I ask for your stamps and your toothpaste tubes and brushes, I know it's very, very odd but we couldn't have coped this year without that income stream from recycling, so thank you everyone who's been saving for me.

I don't usually make resolutions for the New Year. I don't exactly have the selfcontrol to stick with them, if I'm honest. Covid however has reminded me that small acts make huge impacts, so here are my goals and aims for 2021. Please, feel free to steal and adopt them as your own.

* Send more happy post to generate more bonus bat stamps.

* Encourage more people to collect up the oral care rubbish rather than sticking it in the bin.

- * Make cards and write proper notes to show people extra love.
- * Support more local businesses.
- * Reduce the amount of plastic coming into the house.
- * Recycle, or compost or reuse more 'stuff'.

* Grow more in my garden and do another seed/plant exchange with the neighbours.

* Do not buy new clothes, shoes or accessories for the whole year.

* Find new ways to show people I care about them other than hugs.

* Reduce my time on social media and improve my mental health.

* Spread love, smiles and happiness any way I can.

We have all said this year has been 'curious' and I am not disputing that. However, in those times when we could not meet, it made those services where we could, so much more special. Yes, I found it tremendously hard not to hug people who needed that level of human contact. Yes, I missed having that reassuring hand on my shoulder telling me I'd done alright. I missed the peace. I missed all of you – but wasn't it beautiful when we were allowed to join together? Didn't we smile more? Didn't we appreciate it more? Gosh, I cannot wait for the time when we can sing together again, it will be magical.

Michelle Young ALM for Hinton and Sedgeberrow

St Andrew's CE First School Successful learners Success for lífe



A Happy New Year to everyone and we do hope you all had a lovely Christmas. December is always an extremely busy time at St Andrew's. Once again, we participated in the T4U Shoebox Appeal and many staff, parents and carers kindly donated a 'Christmas Shoebox' containing a selection of gifts for children in need in Northern Romania.

In December, some of our pupils assisted Mrs Simpson to arrange the Nativity scene, which was proudly displayed in the school entrance. It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon the true reason we celebrate Christmas - the birth of Jesus. Here is what some of our pupils said: *'The shepherds needed the star to find Jesus'*, said Myla. *'It is important to spend time with your family'*, commented Alyssia.



'Service' has been our main school value this half term and children have completed collective worship activities and class assemblies about who are the unsung heroes who serve us? And how do we serve others, both at school and at home. A child from each class was awarded a trophy for showing 'Service'. These children were given a trophy to keep because their classmates and teacher thinks they had consistently shown service to others.

Due to COVID, the PTFA Christmas Fete was held online and raffle tickets were sold online and 'socially distanced' outside school. Also, our class performances were all recorded and placed on our school website for everyone to enjoy. On 11 December, lots of our children wore a Christmas jumper in exchange for a £1 donation for the Save the Children Charity.

We are now looking forward to an exciting new term. The New Year is always a special time in a school. At St Andrew's we celebrate the period of Epiphany by looking forward to new beginnings and the exciting times that lie ahead.

Andrea Bailey - Headteacher email: office@st-andrews.worcs.sch.uk www.st-andrews.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01386 41351

Calling All Crafters

During these difficult times have you taken up your old crafts or perhaps started new ones?

With no money going into Church Funds at the moment would you be willing to make one, two or maybe three items to donate to a 'Church Craft Day', that we will be having as soon as it is allowed. Or maybe, you would like to have a table to sell your wares, for a donation of 10% to Church Funds?

If so, please contact Elaine Major 01386 40722 or Margaret Thomson 01386 47541 to show your interest.

In the meantime please keep safe and well.

The Bible Garden Part 4 - The Humble Vegetable

While exotic fruits, fragrant herbs and wheat and barley are often mentioned in the Bible there is little in the way of the humble vegetable, although according to the book of Numbers 11:5 they were part of the common diet: '... remember the fish, which we ate in Egypt for nothing; the cucumbers and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic...'

No Bible garden will be complete without vegetables and now is a good time to start thinking about this year's crop. In the Bible garden you can grow leeks, onions, garlic, ridge cucumbers — which are what Bible scholars think the book of Numbers is referring to — and broad beans. The latter are not mentioned by name in the Bible, but Bible scholars believe they were 'the pods' the prodigal son shared with the pigs (*Luke 15:11-32*). In Biblical times broad beans were considered to be food for the poor, but if you pick them when they are young and cook them fresh from the garden they are a very good early vegetable to enjoy.

Melons can be grown in the Bible Garden, and also cucumbers if you have suitable conditions.

Broad bean seeds can be sown in the autumn although they can be targeted by the local pigeons which destroy the entire crop, so probably better to sow them in early spring when the pigeons seem to have more important things on their mind! If you do sow them in the autumn, the best protection is a plastic cloche which not only makes it difficult for the birds, but saves the young plants from frost damage. Onion sets and garlic cloves can also be sown in late autumn, but also do well when sown in spring. Leek seeds are also best sown in early spring and transplanted in later in the year. When harvesting leeks, it is best to leave them until after the first winter frost as they always taste better then. If you don't like eating leeks and onions let them run to seed and you will have a spectacular display of flower heads in your Bible garden!

Films adapted for Wales – Something to make you smile!

It is said that the Welsh film industry has spent lockdown planning to remake numerous well-known films, but this time with a Welsh flavour. The following have been suggested as sure winners:

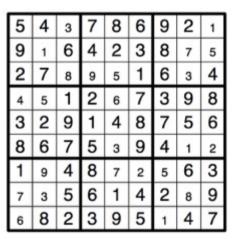
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- The Magnificent Severn
- Haverfordwest Was Won
- Austin Powys
- Independence Dai
- The Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogogogoch That Time Forgot
- The Bridge on the River Wye
- The Welsh Patient
- Look You Back in Bangor
- Evans Can Wait
- A Fishguard Called Rhondda
- Where Eagles Aberdare
- Dial M For Merthyr

Sudoku Solutions (from p18)

Easy Sudoku

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Medium Sudoku



St Andrew's Fellowship – December 2020

Hello to all members of the St Andrew's Fellowship

Since I spoke to as many of you as replied to my 'phone call recently, things have moved on, and it now looks as though vaccination will be available very shortly for most of us. I would encourage you to take up the offer- this is not a pleasant or benign thing we are fighting. We see regularly on our TV screens what a horrible thing it is, and how serious the effects of it can be.

Once we all have had the jab, and we have had time for it to get through the system and the population, we shall hope to be able to resume our meetings - probably at some point in the summer. But we think it will be right and safer not to rush it - at least we do now have light at the end of the tunnel, and we can now begin to hope for a resumption of our meetings in safety. It has been a long time, and we will welcome being able to meet up and share experiences of this unique experience we have all lived through.

We are already beginning to think about our meetings; we have quite a lot of money in the kitty, so we are hoping to be able to indulge ourselves to make up for lost time! But more of that soon. (It is so good to be able to say that!!)

In the meantime, as I write, we have Christmas getting ever closer so I wish you all, each and every one of you, a wonderful and safe Christmas, and then a happy, peaceful and blessed New Year, 2021 !!

As usual, you know where we are if you need just to talk or unwind to, or if you are feeling lonely and would love to hear another human voice. I am happy to say that we are resuming services at St Andrew's, though still under strict conditions, but we are looking forward to being able to relax those rules when it is deemed safe to do so.

I hope I might be able to be even more optimistic in my next submission to 'The Herald'.

So, all of you, STAY SAFE! Shirley and John Lynch (01386 553392)

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| 16 November | Doreen Spiers | Hampton | | | |
| 17 November | Joyce Gregg | Hampton | | | |
| 18 November | Ronald Joesbury | Hampton | | | |
| 25 November | Paul Egan | Hampton | | | |

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Hampton WI – December 2020



Due to the Coronavirus, we have had no meetings since February 2020. Hopefully we will be able to meet again in 2021.

When we resume again, if you would like to join us at one of our meetings, do come along. We are always pleased to see

visitors and you will be made very welcome. We meet in Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. For further information, please contact, Joyce Davey on 01386 443755.

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Services for February 2021

| Wednesday 3 | 10am | Holy Communion | Hampton |
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| | 7 February | – The Second Sunday begore Lent | |
| | 8am | Holy Communion | Hampton |
| | 9am | Holy Communion | Sedgeberrow |
| | 9.30am | Morning Praise | Hampton |
| | 11.00am | Community Service | Zoom * |
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