

Abberton, Flyford Flavell, Grafton Flyford, Naunton Beauchamp, North Piddle



*The Flyfords Flyer*  
The Flyfords Family of Churches News

## Christmas Day 2021

*Isaiah 52.7-10, Hebrews 1.1-12, John 1.1-14.*

*Dear Friends,*

*Christmas is about celebrating what God did in the birth of His son and looking forward, in hope, to His wondrous work ahead. God's word brings His power and presence into the world. Above all, the Word of God, Jesus, brings Light into the world meaning the possibility of knowing God himself. No longer is God separated from the world. No longer does He appear in abstract forms of burning bushes or pillars of fire, but as a human, in flesh and blood, skin and bone. John says, "We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."*

*May the Joy of Christ be with you this Christmas!*

*You remain in my prayers and I hope you continue to keep safe and well.*

*Please continue to check this website for updates and news in the Flyfords.*

*If you would like a call from me during the week, please let Caroline know on;*

*07514 901344 or email [flyfordfamilies@gmail.com](mailto:flyfordfamilies@gmail.com) or you can call me direct.*

*Blessings,  
Emma*

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## LATEST CORONAVIRUS ADVICE

Restrictions, guidance and documentation are updated regularly.  
Please visit the Church of England website for the latest advice at:  
[www.churchofengland.org/coronavirus](http://www.churchofengland.org/coronavirus)

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Thank you for your cooperation



## *NEWS FROM NAUNTON BEAUCHAMP*

Coffee and Chat returns on the first Saturday of the Month  
10.30-12.00.

Family Crib and Christingle service for Christmas Eve 24th  
December 4pm.

It will be lovely to see you.  
Please contact Gill Jubb on 01386 462156 if you need any further  
information.

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## Christmas messages from Bishop John and Bishop Martin:

### **The Bishop of Worcester's Christmas Message**



At the birth of Jesus, the angels sang: 'Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth!'

Peace is the message of Christmas. It's a message the world desperately needs to hear now more than ever.

There are wars and rumours of wars all over the world. We face catastrophic global warming and then there is the curse of Covid 19. All that can fill our hearts with fear and anxiety, rather than peace.

God never promised us that life would be easy. What the birth of Jesus makes clear, though, is that God is with us. The life and death and resurrection of Jesus teach us that God's love is stronger than anything this world can throw at us. God's love can cast out fear, which is the opposite of love.

Worcester Cathedral has stood firm for over a thousand years. Over the centuries God's people have felt the peace of Christmas there whilst living through times far worse than our own. During the Black Death, the Plague, famine, civil and world wars the Cathedral has been a sanctuary of God's peace, and still is.

Jesus tells us that no one can add an hour to their life by being anxious. My prayer for you and for me – and for everyone – this Christmas is that we shall feel the Peace of God of which the angels sang, that we shall be enfolded by it and given strength to spread peace and good will to others.

God bless you and a very Merry Christmas to you.

Bishop John Inge

## The Bishop of Dudley's Christmas Message



Migrants and refugees are often in the new at the moment. Men, women and children in search of a safe place to live. In search of a better life or fleeing war or conflict.

Imagine that being you. You and those closest to you with nowhere to go, nowhere to lay your head, not knowing where your next meal will come from. Imagine doing that if you were expecting a baby. You might long for the birth, but somehow dread it too – how will you manage?

Mary was expecting a baby when she had to leave her home in Nazareth and travel to Bethlehem. No sooner had Jesus been born than she was on the move again, this time to Egypt to escape the murderous persecution of King Herod.

As we remember the birth of Jesus with carols and lights, with feasting and laughter, let's spare a thought, or maybe more, for all those on the move today. On the run, desperate to find somewhere safe, somewhere to lay their head, somewhere perhaps for their new born child to grow and to thrive. Spare a thought for the holy family, wherever they may be this Christmas time.

Bishop Martin Gorick

**These messages and a video message from Bishop John can be seen on the  
Worcester Diocese website  
or by clicking the link below:**

*[Diocese of Worcester | Christmas messages from our Bishops \(cofe-worcester.org.uk\)](http://cofe-worcester.org.uk)*

# Services

24 <sup>th</sup> December	4pm	Naunton Beauchamp	Crib and Christingle Service
25 <sup>th</sup> December	11am	Flyford Flavell	Holy Communion
2 <sup>nd</sup> January	6pm	Grafton Flyford	Evensong
9 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30am	Naunton Beauchamp	All Age Worship
16 <sup>th</sup> January	11am	Grafton Flyford	Holy Communion

**All are welcome to our services.**

**We very much look forward to seeing you.**

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**PLEASE NOTE: Unfortunately at the present time we are unable to bring you the normal online services as St Barnabas church Drakes Broughton is having some necessary repairs carried out.**

**Services have moved to Stoulton which sadly does not have the means to live stream.**

**Your prayers for a speedy solution are so very welcome.**

**Morning Prayer is streamed each Wednesday at 10am from the Rectory.**

**Past and present videos can be seen by following the link below:**

**<https://www.facebook.com/1417165101886766/live/>**

**There is no need to log-in, just click on the word video in Facebook's menu.**

**A weekly Reflection is available by contacting Caroline on 07514901344 or by email at [flyfordfamilies@gmail.com](mailto:flyfordfamilies@gmail.com)**

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**You may also be interested in:**



A free phonenumber of hymns,  
reflections and prayers

**The Archbishop of Canterbury has launched a free national phone line as a simple new way to bring worship and prayer into people's homes while church buildings are closed because of the coronavirus pandemic. Daily Hope, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England, available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044. Please pass on details to anyone who might value this service.**

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### **Prayer Diary for December to March 2022**

**Hard copies are now available in church.**

**Alternatively, click on the link below to view or download the latest copy:**



**[1632-cofe-diary46-20pp-dec-mar22-web.pdf](https://d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/1632-cofe-diary46-20pp-dec-mar22-web.pdf)  
[\(d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net\)](https://d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/)**

**If you have anything you would like to mention in this space, whether it's a notice, a favourite recipe, a poem or something else, then please get in touch with our administrator by phone or email.**

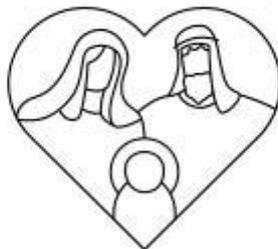
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**At the heart  
of Christmas**



**Church of England's theme for Advent and Christmas 2021**

<https://www.churchofengland.org>