

Church Services for November and December

November 3	8.15am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Memorial Eucharist (Roade)
		A service especially for those who are bereaved
November 10	8.15am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Memorial Service (Roade St. Marys)
	10.50am	Memorial Service (Hartwell War Memorial)
November 17	10.00am	Family Sunday School and Service
November 24	3.30pm	Evensong
December 1	8.15am	Holy Communion - Advent
	6.30pm	United Advent Carol Service (Roade Methodist Church)
December 8	8.15am	Holy Communion
December 15	3.00pm	Village Carol Service
December 22	3.30pm	Evensong
December 24	3.00pm	Crib Service (Roade)
	11.30pm	Midnight Communion (Hartwell)
December 25	9.15am	Family Communion
December 29	8.15am	Holy Communion

We will be decorating the Church for our Christmas Carol Service on Saturday 14 December from 10am to 11.30am. Everyone is welcome to come along to help and/or bring any flowers or greenery.

Coffee Mornings

Winter coffee mornings have started again at the Barn, Vale Farm, by courtesy of Mr and Mrs Zanutto. The next one is on Wednesday 13 November from 10am to 11.30pm. The last coffee morning of 2002 is on 11 December. Coffee and biscuits cost £1.00p. There will be cakes, a raffle and a bring & buy stall. Everyone is welcome.

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Ashton School Parents Associaton

BONFIRE NIGHT

Tuesday 5 November

at The Old Crown, Ashton

Bonfire lit at 6.15pm
Fireworks from 7pm
Barbeque

Admission

Adults	£2.50p
Children	£1.50p

All proceeds to Ashton School.
Thanks to The Old Crown for their support.

Donations for Raffle Prizes would be gratefully received.
Please call into school with them or telephone:

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From the Vicarage

A big thank you to everyone in the village for making us so welcome when we arrived in this beautiful part of the country at the end of August. We emerged from the grey mists over the Pennine hills to find glorious sunshine awaiting us on our arrival...a good sign for the future!...and a great help when moving furniture (those of you who've moved home will appreciate the nightmare of a move in wet weather!)

Here's a little about ourselves by way of introduction so I'll start first.

Before ordination I left Leeds University with a degree in Agricultural Science (so countryside issues are close to my heart) and was then seconded by Bradford MC to train as an Environmental Health Officer. My ten years as an EHO were both interesting and enjoyable, particularly my time spent on housing and food hygiene side of EH work. I then left to train for the ministry at St John's College, Nottingham. Two years later I served a four year curacy in Plymouth, seven years as a vicar in Paignton, before returning to "last of the summer wine country" to work within a team parish. Recreation wise I enjoy walking our little Staffie, Phoebe, gardening (edible things, mainly!), badminton and supporting Leeds United (a very divisive issue in our family).

Tim (16 years) and Sam (13 years) have both settled well at Roade School and are enjoying the excellent sport facilities there, as well as playing tennis at the village club. Both are musical, drums and electric guitar respectively...and were thrilled to bits on finding that our neighbours are musicians, fully equipped with drum kit and recording studio. Our daughter, Jude (18 years), is carrying on her studies in Huddersfield, so it's been hard moving without her.

My wife, Pat, has just begun an MSc course in Neuroscience at Kings College in London and is really enjoying the stimulation after sixteen years based in the home looking after children (although she's got no regrets on that front).

Anyway, enough of us for the moment, we very much look forward to getting to know you over the months ahead.

Mike and Pat, Jude, Tim and Sam

Church Bells

Over the past couple of months youngsters who live in Ashton have had the opportunity to come and learn the art of bell ringing. This has only been possible with the services of Duncan Harrison without whose help, encouragement and commitment towards these learners it would have been a difficult task.

The "learners" are progressing well and we are always looking for others (there is deingliely no age barrier) to come and learn too. So whatever your age we would love to welcome you to our practive evening at Ashton on Mondays from 7pm until 8pm. If you would like further details please contact either Janet Roychoudhury (864306) or Marion Wilson (864254)

The **Bridewell** family would like to say a big **thank you** to everyone who sent cards, offered their help and supported us while Nigel was in hospital. We are please to report that he is well on the road to recovery

Christmas Puddings

If you enjoy Christmas Puddings, then we have great news for you. We have taken the finest fruits and ingredients (lavishly soaked in brandy and sherry) and had them made into our own delicious puddings. The puddings are attractively presented. The label includes a photograph of St Michael and All Angels Church. They would make ideal gifts.

1 lb size	£4.75p	2 lb size	£8.75p
	Brandy Butter		£2.25p for a 190g jar

The puddings and brandy butter are being sold to raise funds for Church refurbishment. Ring Marion Wilson on 864254 to order or to find out more details.

Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 13 November from 7.15pm at the School. The meetings start with public time when villagers can bring up topics that are causing concern. If you wish to ask a question during public time, please contact a council member before the meeting. The meeting on 13 November will be attended by representatives from Tony Clarke MP and from Rural Transport.

After the last Car Boot Sale at the Rugby Club, a **yellow reflective jacket** went missing. If you have it, could you please return it to David and Delia at 20 Hartwell Road.

wot's sup?

OVER 13 BUT UNDER 18?

16 Nov @ Roade Methodist Church ... 3pm Sat until 10am Sun

Music	Video's
Worship	Get physical
Snacks	Fun
Make it or break it (fridge magnets, glass engraving, clay)	
Your choice of food (Evening meal and Breakfast)	

£10 all inclusive (includes meal but not snacks)
Bring your own sleeping bag

For more information and booking, please contact

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