

## Dates for your Diary

### December 2019

7.12.19	Crick	10.30-12.00 noon Charity Coffee Morning
7.12.19	Long Buckby	10.30-11.30 Charity Coffee Morning
5.12.19	Creaton	12.00 noon Nosh & Natter (men's lunch)
13.12.19	Long Buckby	12.30 pm for 1.00 pm Lunch Club
19.12.19	Crick	7.00 pm Carols By Candlelight
22.12.19	Long Buckby	6.00 pm Carols with Daventry Brass Band
29.12.19	Long Buckby	2.00 pm Joint Service with tea & cake

### January 2020

2.1.20	Creaton	12.00 noon Nosh & Natter (men's lunch)
10.1.20	Long Buckby	12.30 pm for 1.00 pm Lunch Club
20.1.20	Crick	2.00 pm Joint Elders Meeting

### February 2020

1.2.20	Long Buckby	10.30-11.30 am Charity Coffee Morning
1.2.20	Crick	10.30-12 noon Charity Coffee Morning
5.2.20	Long Buckby	2.15 pm Ladies Circle
6.2.20	Creaton	12.00 noon Nosh & Natter (men's lunch)
14.2.20	Long Buckby	12.30 pm for 1.00 pm Lunch Club
18.2.20	Long Buckby	7.00 pm Elders Meeting



Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year  
and thank you for all your kind words.

Chris Berry

# The Good News



From Long Buckby, Creaton,  
Crick and Kilsby  
(North West Northants. Pastorate)

December 2019 — February 2020

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## A Message & News from the Minister

May you have a Wonder-filled Christmas and the New Year bring you Unexpected Joys.

Welcome to this magazine full of endings and beginnings. It's bridging the end of one calendar year and the first two months of the new one. Advent marks the start of a New Church Year, so we begin a new Lectionary Year, this time it's Year A and our Gospel focus is Matthew. The aim of the Common Lectionary is to encourage the church to read our way through swathes of the Bible which otherwise we might overlook because they are not the most easy or comfortable to read. The Church year begins with Advent and then we have the well-loved Christmas Story and we'll relish our carols and festive traditions and pray we don't lose sight of the amazing gift of God coming to share our life. Through Jesus the Word of God we are invited to accept amazing love and be held in relationship with God. Sparkly stuff.

I asked myself "If I could only have four trees on my Desert Island, which would I choose?". Bearing in mind that the climate and soil would accommodate any plantings I selected, my first choice was an apple tree, so that there would be blossom but later on fruit to enjoy, without much fuss; the tree would be good for climbing and also could be home to a swing! The second was a coconut tree as they grow quickly, the nuts fall down and the tree provides material for shelter, mats, plates, cloth, rope and utensils.



## What's Going on in the Pastorate

**COFFEE** - If you fancy a coffee a warm welcome awaits you – **Kilsby** is open for coffee and snacks every Monday and Thursday from 9 am until midday.

**Long Buckby** runs a charity Coffee Morning the 1st Saturday morning in every month 10.30 am – 11.30 am (except January).

**Long Buckby** has a Lunch Club on the second Friday at 12.30 pm each month.

**Crick** runs a charity Coffee Morning, the 1st Saturday morning in every month from 10.30 am to 12 noon (except January).

**Creaton** has Poppies Coffee Shop—open from 9.00 am to 12.00 am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (closed Thursday).

### FELLOWSHIP

**Long Buckby Ladies' Circle** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month in the small hall at 2.15 pm.

**For the Men** - Creaton host "Nosh and Natter" (Men's lunch) on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 12.00 noon.

**Children and Young People** - Junior church is offered at Creaton and Long Buckby every Sunday.

**Creaton 'Pilots'** meet on a Monday night in term time from 7.00 pm details from the Church secretary.



## Long Buckby News



### GUIDE DOG COFFEE MORNING

A Big Thank you from Chris & Frank Berry to all those who came and helped raise almost **£1000** on 26th October, despite the Rugby and the rain!

A special thank you to Richard for 'manning' the dishwasher and Norman for setting up the tables and to the Church for the use of the hall.

### HOT OFF THE PRESS!

**Andrew Bodsworth** a member of Long Buckby Church has volunteered to take over the compilation and editing of 'Good News'.

His details are:-

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Andrew will be contacting the church representatives in the New Year.

### REACH OUT

Use what you have to enrich the lives of others and you will soon find your own cup running over with joy.  
Luke 6:38

God's little book of CALM by Richard Daly.



## A Message & News from the Minister cont'd

My third tree was to be a Monkey Puzzle - it's only purpose to be without purpose, I suspect- audacious things have a way of making us smile if not laughing out loud...-like goats...and I'm sure it's good for all of us to have enquiring minds, be puzzled and ask questions we do not know the answers to.

The final tree was the *Melaleuca alternifolia*, (a small tree native to Queensland, from its leaves comes tea-tree oil) for its healing properties.

I am no garden landscaper and if I'd done research, perhaps my choices would have been different - I'm sure your will be too. The brilliant thing is that we don't just get to chose four random trees, we have a world filled with trees to wonder at and enjoy. But also trees to provide for our physical needs, sustaining us and allowing us to make shelter, tools, boats and furniture. Let us look forward with wonder to the year ahead.

With this magazine, we say Good-bye to Chris Berry; this is the final copy of Good News for which she will be the Editor. A big thank you to her and our Good Wishes for all of the activities she will have more time to enjoy now. Wishing you all good companions and love in your home this Festive Season and may the Wonder continue with you throughout the coming year.

Shalom,  
Elizabeth.



## Creaton News

Poppies Coffee Shop is open daily from 9.00 am to 12 noon Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Poppies is closed on Thursdays.

*Everyone is very welcome*



### For the Men

Creaton host "Nosh and Natter" (Men's lunch) on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 12.00 noon



'Pilots' meets on a Monday night in term time from 7.00pm. Details are available from the Church Secretary.

*You are warmly welcome to join us for Sunday Worship & Junior Church.*

*For more information on the activities at Creaton United Reformed Church, please visit the Creaton website [www.creaton.org.uk](http://www.creaton.org.uk)*

*Click on Churches and then click on United Reformed Church*



## Long Buckby News

### Hope Centre

Many thanks for the goods which have been added to the box in the Church in recent weeks.

### Dates for Your Diary

**22nd December**  
At 6.00 pm

Carols with Daventry Brass Band



**29th December**

Joint Pastorate Service with Rev. Elizabeth Kemp

**20th January**  
At 2.00 pm

Joint Elders Meeting at Crick

**18th February**

Elders Meeting At 7.00 pm

### Regular Events

- ♦ **Charity Coffee Morning** on the first Saturday each month, 10.30 am—11.30 am (Not January)
- ♦ **Ladies Circle** first Wednesday each month at 2.15 pm.
- ♦ **Lunch Club**—2nd Friday each month 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm



## Long Buckby News

### Flower Rota

1st December	Gill Best
8th December	Peggy Bond
15th December	Andrew Bodsworth
22nd December	Wendy Baker
29th December	Sian Ellison
5th January	Sian Ellison
12th January	Norman Chandler
19th January	Sian Ellison
26th January	Val Cole
2nd February	Wendy Baker
9th February	Rita Stowe
16th February	Diana Babb
23rd February	Yvonne & Andrew Howes



### Birthdays

December	Len Babb Harry Ellison Rev. Elizabeth Kemp
January	Edna Curtis
February	Clive Cooper Kath Packer Chris Berry



### For Prayer

This month we asked to remember:-

- A Those who suffer from the cold.
- B Those who cannot get out because of the bad weather.
- C Those who in 2019 felt that they had a bad year for one reason or another. May 2020 bring them a sense of Joy and God's love and His healing what ever that is.

## Kilsby News

### Mission Statement

The purpose of this church is to provide a warm, welcoming place for all people of any age to worship and to learn about the faith.

### Guild Meetings

There will be no Guild Meetings this quarter.



### Community café

The purpose of the café is to provide somewhere where you can meet up with friends old and new to have a chat and enjoy refreshments together. Held every Monday and Thursday from 9.00am until midday.



### Scrabble Club on Wednesdays at 1.00pm



## Crick News

### Mission Statement

The purpose of this Church is to provide a warm, welcoming place for people of all ages to worship God and to grow in faith.

### Coffee Mornings and Donations

Coffee mornings to raise money for charity will continue on the first Saturday of the month from 10.30 am until 12 o'clock. Come and join us for a good chat with old and new friends, a bottomless cup of tea or coffee and a chance to win one of the many raffle prizes.

Our December coffee morning, to raise money for Crick URC, will include bring and buy, bric a brac, and cake stalls.



### Chapel Birthdays

Happy birthday wishes to Steve and Loise Wilkin, Brenda Tomalin and Jenny Goodger, who have birthdays during this edition's time frame.



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

**Thursday December 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm**  
**Carols by Candlelight**

Followed by coffee and mince pies

**Christmas Day 9:30 am**

A seasonal service with Rev. Michael Bond

And finally.....

All of us at Crick URC wish all of you a peaceful, joyous Christmas and a happy, healthy year in 2020.

*Jenny Goodger*

## Lectionary Readings contd.

### FEBRUARY 2020

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany -February 2, 2020

- Micah 6:1-8
- Psalm 15
- 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
- Matthew 5:1-12

Presentation of the Lord -February 2, 2020

- Malachi 3:1-4
- Psalm 84 or Psalm 24:7-10
- Hebrews 2:14-18
- Luke 2:22-40

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany -February 9, 2020

- Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12)
- Psalm 112:1-9 (10)
- 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16)
- Matthew 5:13-20

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany -February 16, 2020

- Deuteronomy 30:15-20 or Sirach 15:15-20
- Psalm 119:1-8
- 1 Corinthians 3:1-9
- Matthew 5:21-37

Transfiguration Sunday -February 23, 2020

- Exodus 24:12-18
- Psalm 2 or Psalm 99
- 2 Peter 1:16-21
- Matthew 17:1-9

Ash Wednesday -February 26, 2020

- Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12
- Psalm 51:1-17
- 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
- Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21



## Lectionary Readings contd.

### JANUARY 2020

Holy Name of Jesus -January 1, 2020

-Numbers 6:22-27

-Psalm 8

-Galatians 4:4-7 or Philippians 2:5-11

-Luke 2:15-21

New Year's Day -January 1, 2020

-Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

-Psalm 8

-Revelation 21:1-6a

-Matthew 25:31-46

Second Sunday after Christmas Day -January 5, 2020

-Jeremiah 31:7-14 or Sirach 24:1-12

-Psalm 147:12-20 or Wisdom of Solomon 10:15-21

-Ephesians 1:3-14-John 1:(1-9), 10-18

Epiphany of the Lord -January 6, 2020

-Isaiah 60:1-6

-Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

-Ephesians 3:1-12

-Matthew 2:1-12

Baptism of the Lord -January 12, 2020

-Isaiah 42:1-9

-Psalm 29

-Acts 10:34-43

-Matthew 3:13-17

Second Sunday after the Epiphany -January 19, 2020

-Isaiah 49:1-7

-Psalm 40:1-11

-1 Corinthians 1:1-9

-John 1:29-42



## Lectionary Readings

### DECEMBER 2019

First Sunday of Advent -December 1, 2019

-Isaiah 2:1-5

-Psalm 122

-Romans 13:11-14

-Matthew 24:36-44

Second Sunday of Advent -December 8, 2019

-Isaiah 11:1-10

-Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

-Romans 15:4-13

-Matthew 3:1-12

Third Sunday of Advent -December 15, 2019

-Isaiah 35:1-10

-Psalm 146:5-10 or Luke 1:46b-55

-James 5:7-10

-Matthew 11:2-11

Fourth Sunday of Advent -December 22, 2019

-Isaiah 7:10-16

-Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

-Romans 1:1-7

-Matthew 1:18-25

Nativity of the Lord -December 24/25, 2019

-Isaiah 9:2-7

-Psalm 96

-Titus 2:11-14

-Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

First Sunday after Christmas Day -December 29, 2019

-Isaiah 63:7-9

-Psalm 148

-Hebrews 2:10-18

-Matthew 2:13-23.



## NW NORTHANTS. PASTORATE'S PREACHING DIARY - December 2019, January, February 2020

Date	Long Buckby (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)	Crick (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)	Creaton (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)	Kilsby (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)
Sunday 1st December	Margaret Hooper	Jenny Goodger	Jon Heard With Holy Communion	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp
Sunday 8th December	Magnus Ramage	David and Pat Biddle	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	Rev. Michael Bond
Sunday 15th December	Rev Michael Haighton With Holy Communion	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp With Holy Communion	Martin Buckby	Rev. Geoff Townsend With Holy Communion
16th December Candlelight Service			7.00 pm Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	
19th December Carols by Candlelight		7.00 pm Rev. Elizabeth Kemp		
Sunday 22nd December	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	John Perkins	Rev. Geoff Townsem	Cecil Gill
	6.00 pm Carols & Brass Band			
Christmas Day	No Service	9.30 am Rev. Michael Bond	10.30 am Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	No Service
Sunday 29th December	2.00 pm Joint Service With Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	2.00 pm Joint Service at Long Buckby	2.00 pm Joint Service at Long Buckby	2.00 pm Joint Service at Long Buckby
Sunday 5th January	Rev. Geoff Townsend	Rev. Michael Bond	Jon Heard	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp With Holy Communion
Sunday 12th January	Martin Buckby	Jon Heard	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp With Holy Communion	Trevor Boys
Sunday 19th January	Rev. Michael Bond	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at St. Michaels	Cecil Gill
Sunday 26th January	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp With Holy Communion	Wally Mular	Vaughan Griffiths	Rev. Geoff Townsend
Sunday 2nd February	Margaret Hooper	Rev. Geoff Townsend With Holy Communion	Jon Heard	Rev. Elizabeth Townsend
Sunday 9th February	Clive Leakey	Andrew Howes	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	David Biddle
Sunday 16th February	Jon Heard	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp	Elizabeth Gray-King With Holy Communion	Cecil Gill
Sunday 23rd February	Rev. Elizabeth Kemp With Holy Communion	Ian Mair	Wendy Pitman	Dorn Margetts