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St. Michael & All Angels Newnham



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Village Hall

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February 2019

Badby ☘ Newnham ☘ Charwelton ☘ Fawsley ☘ Preston Capes

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Services for February 2019

	3 February I Candlemas	10 February II 4 bef. Lent	17 February III 3 bef. Lent	24 February IV 2 bef. Lent	3 March I next bef. Lent
Badby	11:00 Holy Communion CW [AS]	11:00 Family Service [SR]	United Benefice Service 10:00 Holy Communion at Newnham [LC]	11:00 Morning Worship [SR]	11:00 Holy Communion CW [AS]
Newnham	09:30 Holy Communion CW [AS]	18:00 Evening Prayer [GW]			09:30 Holy Communion CW [AS]
Charwelton	18:00 Evensong BCP (Chapel) [GH]			09:30 Holy Communion BCP (Church) [LR]	18:00 Evensong BCP (Chapel) [BR]
Fawsley		11:00 Holy Communion BCP [PA]		11:00 Holy Communion BCP [LR]	
Preston Capes	09:30 Said Ante-communion CW [GH]	09:30 Holy Communion CW [+EC]		09:30 Matins [GH]	09:30 Said Morning Prayer BCP [LB]

OTHER SERVICES

Tuesday 19 February

6.30 pm

Badby

ESOW

SUNDAY READINGS

Principal Service CW

- for other services see Lectionary

Date	Feast	Page*	Year	OT †	NT	Gospel
3 Feb	Candlemas	75	C	Mal 3, 1-5	Heb 2, 14-end	Luke 2, 22-40
10 Feb	4 bef. Lent	80	C	Isa 6, 1-8	1 Cor 15, 1-11	Luke 5, 1-11
17 Feb	3 bef. Lent	87	C	Jer 17, 5-10	1 Cor 15, 12-20	Luke 6, 17-26
24 Feb	2 bef. Lent	101	C	Gen 2, 4b-9 & 15-end	Rev ch. 4	Luke 8, 22-25
3 Mar	next bef. Lent	106	C	Exod 34, 29-end	2 Cor 3, 12-4, 2	Luke 9, 28-36

NOTES: 1. *These page numbers refer to "The Word of the Lord", a copy of which will be available in your church. All the readings in that book are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.
2. †The Old Testament readings during Trinity will be from Track 2 of Common Worship
3. At non-communion services the second reading should normally be the Gospel.

FROM THE REGISTERS



IN MEMORIAM

at Newnham
on 21st. December
Mary Joan (Joan) Blackwell

Grant her peace,
and let light perpetual shine upon her

THE ARCHDEACON'S LETTER

Albatross

Fifty years ago, in February 1969, 'Albatross' by Fleetwood Mac was at Number One in the UK charts. It's a classic instrumental and definitely worth a listen ... but not until you've read the rest of this article.

However, I must confess that the word 'albatross' does not take my thoughts solely in a Fleetwood Mac direction. It also leads me to Samuel Taylor Coleridge's poem *The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*. Remember that from your school days? A brief partial summary would be that the Mariner's ship is in trouble until suddenly an albatross appears in the sky. Then everything seems to go well ... until, inexplicably, the Ancient Mariner shoots the albatross. From that point on, tragedy follows tragedy for the crew, and, as a reminder of his rash stupidity, the crew blame the Mariner and hang the albatross around his neck:



around our neck as a permanent reminder. Our future can be shaped by the failures of our past. The burden of our sin (as the *Book of Common Prayer* states so succinctly) is "intolerable".

What does the Bible have to say about this?

"For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." (Psalm 103:11,12)

Because of the cross and the loving grace and mercy of God, we do not have to carry the burden of our sin around our neck for all to see. In this 50th anniversary of 'Albatross',

thank God for his eternal solution to our sinfulness. As Jesus said to a woman who had been publicly shamed: "... Neither do I condemn you. Go now and leave your life of sin." Start again. Let it go.

Blown.

*"Instead of the cross, the Albatross
About my neck was hung."*

It's a strange poem which may owe some of its quirkiness to Coleridge's opium habit! But before you return to Fleetwood Mac ...

Ven. Richard Ormiston
Archdeacon of Northampton

Coleridge offers us some memorable and vivid lessons in this poem. Here's one of them – sometimes we carry our mistakes

BENEFICE PAGE

SERVICE PLAN DURING THE INTERREGNUM

The Churchwardens hope to be able to continue with the current service pattern during the Interregnum. However the availability of priests and/or lay service leaders may not always allow that. So please keep a close eye on the Link as the services for the current month will be published here as usual. **During the interregnum the churchwarden(s) in each parish will be the contact point for anyone needing to consult with a priest, arrange special services etc.**

NEW PRIEST APPOINTMENT

There is to be a meeting with the Archdeacon of Northampton in Badby Village Hall at 6.45 for 7.00pm on Monday 4th. Feb. at which he will be explaining to PCCs the options available in respect of a new Rector, and seeking views. **This meeting is also open to members of the congregations and any others who would like to attend.**

EVENING SERVICE OF THE WORD

This service is held once a month on Tuesday evening (following the third Sunday of the month) at 6.30pm at St. Mary's Badby. Led in turn by some of those who attend, there is always a brief talk about somebody inspirational. All welcome! Forward ESOW dates are 19 February and 19 March.

BENEFICE LENT FILMS

Films looking at the lives of two very different people on the margins of society at different times.
18 March - Cathy Come Home (1966)
1 April - I, David Blake (2016)
 These iconic films were made 50 years apart by the legendary film director Ken Loach - famous for his critical exploration of social issues.
 Each film will be presented in Badby Village Hall at 7.30pm. Refreshments available 15 minutes prior. Cost sharing £5 per film. No need to book.

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLLS

All the parishes are required to compile a new Electoral Roll this year, and this must be done before

the APCM. If you wish to join the roll (which entitles you to vote at APCMs and/or join the PCC) you **MUST** complete an application form, **even if you are already on the current Roll.** Contact details, and dates by which forms must be returned are:-

Badby Chris Nelson by 4 April
 Newnham Janet Rees by 28 February
 Charwelton Penny Cory by 18 February
 Fawsley Vivienne Baker by 5 March
 Preston Capes Bernard Rapson by 1 March

WEATHER REPORT 2018

Well, didn't we have a good summer? Or at least a warm dry one - perhaps not quite so good if you are a farmer or grower.
 Many thanks to Edgar Mobbs in Newnham, June Pound in Charwelton, and a recorder in Preston Capes for once again submitting their records and observations. As usual Newnham was considerably wetter (733mm) than Preston (563mm) with Charwelton in between at 686mm.

The long dry summer started in early June and carried on with no rain at all until 27 July and then only 16mm until 11th. August. As a result 2018 was one of the driest years in the 25 years of June and Edgar's records. They both recorded only 3 years with less rainfall, namely 2011, 2016 and, the driest of all, 2005 (517mm). Edgar has done some sums showing that on his records average annual rainfall over 5 year periods is remarkably consistent at about 750mm per year. The wettest year during those 25 years was 2012 with 1136mm, and indeed only one other year, 1998, topped 1000mm.
 The wettest month during the year was March in all 3 villages (114mm C, 123mm N & 93mm PC) while the driest was June in C (7mm) & N (2mm) but November in PC with 21mm.

Despite the long hot summer average daytime maximum temperature was slightly lower than the 25 year mean at 12.17°, and similarly with the mean minimum night temps - 5.93° compared with 6.00°. The hottest day was 26 July (29° Charwelton and 32.2° Preston) while the coldest night was 28 Feb (-7° Charwelton and -7.5° Preston).

JAZZ CONCERT FOR CANCER RESEARCH & MACMILLAN, APRIL 6th

Plans are now complete for a jazz concert in Badby Village Hall to raise funds for this excellent cause. It will feature Bob Caldwell's six-piece band "Jazz Sans Frontières" and there will be a limited bar, (wine, bottled beer,) a meal supplied by Green Acres Farm in Staverton, and a raffle. We have the good fortune also to have Emily Campbell, a singer whom many will have enjoyed hearing with Spats Langham's Hot Fingers in 2018.
 Tickets will be £20 and we plan a less formal seat & table layout for this event. Please contact Bob on 07703 821042 or bobcaldwell@uwclub.net to reserve tickets.

BADBY AND DISTRICT FILM SOCIETY

The films to be screened this month (and late Jan.) are:

Thu 31st Jan SOME LIKE IT HOT (1959)
 Classic rom-com set in 1929 America, directed by Billy Wilder, starring Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis & Jack Lemmon in drag, and George Raft. (121 mins, B&W).
 PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF FILM TO THAT ADVERTISED IN THE PROGRAMME:

Fri 1st Feb THE GUERNSEY LITERARY & POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY (2018)

In WWII aftermath, a writer forms an unexpected bond with Guernsey residents when she decides to write a book about their wartime experiences; directed by Mike Newell; stars Lily James, Tom Courtenay & Penelope Wilton (124 mins).

Thu 21st Feb COLD WAR (2018)

Period drama directed by Polish director Pawel Pawlikowski, inspired by his parents' lives. Set against 1950s Cold War background, a passionate love story of two people of different backgrounds & temperaments, but fatefully mismatched.
 (85 mins).

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF FILM TO THAT ADVERTISED IN THE PROGRAMME:

Fri 22nd Feb THE CHILDREN ACT (2018))

Adaptation of Ian McEwan's 2014 novel about a judge in a crumbling marriage who must decide a case involving a teenage boy refusing a blood transfusion on religious principle. Richard Eyre

directs; Emma Thompson, Stanley Tucci & Fionn Whitehead star. (105 mins).

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our first event of 2019 is the Wine and Quiche Evening on Friday 15th March with Wine Tasting by courtesy of Majestic Wines. There will be a buffet provided with wine and soft drinks available from the bar. Tickets cost £10.50 for non-members, £8.50 for members and are available only until 28th February from Angela Waldock on 07745 850053 or AngelaWaldock@me.com. Please order early for catering purposes.
 Other events for the year are: Plant Sale 12th May; Annual Show 1st Sep; AGM 8th Nov and Christmas Crafts on 13th Dec.

A reminder that subscriptions are now due for this year. If you would like to join the society please contact Hilary Mensah on 01327 704797 or email hily.warburton@gmail.com.

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PARISH NOTICES

BADBY

Correspondent - Geoff Pullin (gcspullin@yahoo.com)

	Reader	Sidesman	Server
3 Feb	J. Jordan C. Wakeford	C. Nelson G. Nelson	C. Nelson
10 Feb	TBA	S. Rose F. Williams	
24 Feb	TBA	S. Rose F. Williams	
3 Mar	Pat McAlister C. Nelson	C. Nelson	P. Wakeford

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Thanks go to everyone who attended our Christmas services and to all who contributed by decorating the Church, reading the lessons and providing music or refreshments. A total of £328 was collected at the Christingle for the work of the Children's Society, and £157 for Baby Basics Northampton at the Carol Service. Thanks also to everyone who donated baby clothes, toiletries and other supplies for this worthwhile cause.

FEBRUARY SERVICES

We are pleased that our service pattern will remain unchanged during the interregnum.

Sunday 3rd: Holy Communion at 11am to celebrate Candlemas with Canon Ann Slater, followed by refreshments.

Sunday, 10th: 11am, Susan will run a fun family service with craft activities and again followed by refreshments.

Tuesday, 19th: our usual lay-led Evening Service of the Word starting at 6.30pm and finally on

Sunday, 24th: 11am Morning Worship with Susan talking about a very unusual church in Churchill, Oxfordshire. We will of course finish the service with a cup of tea or coffee and plenty of time to meet up and talk. If you have never been to one of our services, we would love to see you so please join us.

TEA AND MEET

Friday, February 1 from 2pm - 3.30pm in the village hall. Delicious cakes and friendly company. Help and cakes always appreciated. If you need a lift please contact 01327 702833 or 703292.

COFFEE MORNING

The coffee morning at St Mary's Church will be open on Tuesday, February 19, 10.30am till 12 noon. Come along and bring your friends and neighbours for a chat, tea and cake.

SOUP LUNCHEAS

The second soup lunch will be held on Wednesday, February 20 at Susan Rose's house in Newnham. Transport can be provided if you ask when booking with Susan. Contact details are in the flyer. More frequent lunches are planned during Lent.

BADBY FLORAL BEE

We are a small friendly group of novice flower arrangers who meet each month to create simple designs aimed at building skills and confidence in flower arranging. We meet in the village hall at 7.15pm on the first Thursday of the month. Contact Liz Hudson on 01327 877797 for more information.

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

The congregation will welcome you in February on Sundays at 10am with

3rd: Janet Emery; 10th: Mary Barrett ; 17th: Keith Bishop, 24th: Revd Michael Bond

YOGA CLASSES

Yoga classes have started in the village hall on Tuesday nights from 6 - 7.30pm. All ages and abilities are welcome. For further information contact Julie Farthing on 01327 310146, 07973 777136 or email julie@farthingandgannon.com. A great way to start the New Year.

BADBY & FAWSLEY WI.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, February 14 at 7.30pm in the village hall. It could change to the church if the village hall is undergoing its refit. Notice will be given via Badby and Fawsley WI website. The speaker is Julie Smith talking about Amazing Bees - plus your chance to make a candle. For more information please contact Kathy Day 01327 438582.

SCHOOL NEWS

Last term ended with a traditional Carol Service in St. Mary's Church which was well attended by families and friends. A farewell card made by all pupils was placed on the Revd Sue as this was her last service with school.

This term has begun with Year 6 children enjoying a trip to the Royal Shakespeare Theatre to see A Christmas Carol. Year 5 children visited Badby Church for sketching, answering a quiz and chiming the bells.



NEWNHAM

Correspondent - Ellen Henning
(ellen.henning@hotmail.co.uk)

	Reader	Sidesman
3 Feb	John Wilshire	Jeff Lawrence
10 Feb	Janet Rees	Mary Wood
17 Feb	Robin Baker Frances Williams	Steven Rees
3 Mar	Mary Wood	Jim Wood

JOAN BLACKWELL

23rd September 1914 to 10th December 2018

Joan was born in Newcastle on Tyne in 1914 and Alfred, her brother (Sonny) 4 years later. The family moved to Worcester where her father, an organ builder, helped install organs in many major cathedrals including Ely and Westminster Abbey.

Joan moved to Leicester and worked for a bank where she met Blackie, and then the Imperial Typewriter Company. They married in 1939 and were lucky enough to have identical twins.

They moved to Shrewsbury in the early 1950's where Blackie ran a landscape business with the husband of her old school friend. They then moved to Friem Barnet in 1959 where Joan was offered a job by Margaret Thatcher as her PA, but turned it down as it was too far to travel!!

In 1977 they moved to Newnham where they could enjoy their love of gardening and a village full of lovely people in a thriving community. After Blackie died in 1994 Joan had wonderful support from the village for the rest of her life.

Joan and Sonny kept in close contact and he came to celebrate her 100th birthday in 2014, - he too reached 100. Anyone who heard she was 104 and still living at home would say she's amazing, but her age, independence and sound mind were only a tiny fraction of what made her a wonderful lady.

NATIVITY PLAY

This was once again a huge success. Martha and Finn were excellent narrators. Lewis C (Joseph), Daisy (Mary) and Miles (baby Jesus) were all brilliant, and Sunny (the miniature pony) behaved impeccably. Everybody enjoyed singing the songs accompanied by James on the organ and the travelling crib returned safely albeit with one or two sheep missing!

MELLOW BAKU AND THE BOB CALDWELL TRIO

Are to perform in Newnham Church in aid of the "Roof Repair Fund" on FRIDAY 8th MARCH at 7.30pm. JAZZ and BLUES, to include the Newnham Singers. Wine will be for sale by the bottle (please bring your own glass) Tickets, £10 / head are available from : Martyn and Jacqui Parratt (01327) 878773

SNOWDROP SUNDAY

On Sunday 17th February we shall be holding our Snowdrop Sunday. Weather permitting there should be a wonderful display throughout the village, especially in the churchyard and surrounding verges, the Woodland Trust area and at the Nuttery. There will be a nominal charge for church funds. Teas/coffee and home made cakes will be available in the Village Hall from 2.00pm.

NEWNHAM VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

Winners in the first draw of the new year are

£50 Prize. No 127 Mrs J Astle
£25 Prize. No 154 Mrs P Halford
£25 Prize. No 133 Mr O'Donnell

FONS PROGRESSIVE SUPPER 2019

Plans are well and truly underway for this fabulous and fun evening. If you are free on Saturday March 2nd we'd love you to join us. We start at the school before sampling starter and main courses with 'hosts', and then finish with puddings and drinks, and perhaps a dance, by kind invitation of David and Maria at the Romer Arms. £25 per person to include all food, and drink until the pub.

Tickets available from Charlotte Ratcliffe, Helen Coburn (07734155032), the School office and the Romer.

NEWNHAM WI

Newnham WI meets every third Thursday of the month, and February's meeting will be on the 21st in the Village Hall at 7.30. Our speaker will be Kate Mawer who will speak on the work of the ACWW (Associated Country Women of the World). This is the largest international organisation for both urban and rural women. One of the WI's core aims is to support women and this association is very relevant to us. Visitors are always welcome to come and join us and find out a little bit more. Contact Carol on 01327 872861 or Sue on 01327 439612 we look forward to hearing from you.



CHARWELTON

Correspondent - David Pound
(davidpound@doctors.org.uk)

	Reader/Sidesman	Flowers
3 Feb	E & G Bird	
24 Feb	Penny Cory	Anabelle Orr
3 Mar	Graham White	
Chapel cleaning		
February	Graham White	
March	June Pound	

VILLAGE HALL

The next whist drive will be on Monday 18th February at 7.30pm.

PCC MEETING

The next meeting of the PCC will be on Thursday 7th. March at 7.30pm in the Chapel. This may or may not include the APCM - details later.

CANCER RESEARCH EVENING

A fundraising evening for Cancer research will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 23rd. February at 7.00 for 7.30pm. There will be bingo, raffle, Play Your Cards Right, an Auction and other attractions. Tickets £5 per head including hot food, and there will also be a bar. Please book with Debbie Carroll at debcarroll2012@gmail.com



FAWSLEY

Correspondent - Debbie Walker

	Reader	Flowers
10 Feb		Debbie Walker

PCC MEETING

There will be a meeting of the PCC on Tuesday 5th March at 2pm in the Church.

LITTER PICK

The Annual Fawsley Litter Pick will be held on Saturday 9th March. If you would like to join us in tidying up this lovely park in time for the emergence

of spring you will be very welcome. We will be gathering at 11.00am outside Fawsley Hall.



PRESTON CAPES

Correspondent - Gerard Hoare

	Reader	Sidesman	Cleaning
3 Feb	Anabel Lewis-Bowen	Peter Smith	V Brassey
10 Feb	Mireya Weaver	Claire Hoare	
24 Feb	Heather Wilson	V Brassey	
3 Mar	Gerard Hoare	Mireya Weaver	

FLOWERS

February. Anabel Lewis-Bowen and Scilla Smith.

QUIZ NIGHT HOT AND COLD BUFFET

Friday 22nd February.

Come to our first exciting fund raiser of the new year. Venue the Village Hall, start 1900 pm. Entertaining Quiz. Three prize Raffle.

A generous buffet will be served and tickets at £8.50 inc. a free glass of wine. Children £5, under 5yo free. See the Flier delivered in Preston Capes and Little Preston.

Tickets from Heather Wilson tel. 361667 email heathervil@btinternet.com

ANNUAL VESTRY AND PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING.

This will take place on Wednesday 27th March at 7.00 pm in the Church.

It is the meeting when our church officers and PCC are appointed for another year. Everyone is welcome to attend, but only those on the Church Electoral Roll for the parish can vote. (See page 5)

PLANNED GIVING

The new year is a good time to review our own 'titling' or personal level of financial support for our church. Please review your giving and whether it should be raised for inflation (suddenly a threat again), or better personal circumstances. This year our parish share (PS) which pays for our portion of

the Rector's time has increased by a fierce 10% to £11489 per an.

With all running costs of the Church account close to £17000 per annum, it equates to £200 a year for every household here, or £4.0 per house per week, year after year! Please can everyone do their bit to share this and help ensure we pay PS in full.

Our Hon Treasurer, Elizabeth Dearn [contact details on page 15] will be pleased to help anyone with the paperwork for tax efficient giving, so that Gift Aid of 25% is added to one's giving and comes back to the church.

The PCC extends a big thank you to all our regular donors. All planned giving is treated in strict confidence.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Preston Capes WI will be serving up a "Winter Warmer" Lunch at the village hall on Saturday, 9th February (11.30am to 2.00pm). On the menu will be a choice of soups with artisan breads (£4.00), followed by tea/coffee and homemade cakes (£2.00). Whilst there's no need to officially book a place, it would be very useful if you could advise of your intention to attend by emailing PennyEves@aol.com.

VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

February starts with our usual Sunday bar on the 3rd from 12.00. This month Heather will be providing a 2 course lunch for anyone to participate in, then the Friday bar on 8th will offer an optional supper (main course only), again for anyone to enjoy. Further ahead the annual PC inter-village Croquet Tournament is on Sunday 30th June and this year we want the trophy to come to PC so get practising now. Details of all the events in PC for the year can be found on the Facebook pages and the village notice boards.



DIARY

This diary records the proposed dates of any benefice, parish or village events. We hope that this will help those planning such events to know what else is going on and therefore be able to avoid any unhelpful clashes of dates.

If you know, or become aware, of events which ought to be recorded please let David Pound, or your village Link correspondent, know.

Events known about so far are:

February

- 1 Film Soc.
- 3 PC Sunday bar
- 8 PC Friday bar
- 9 Badby bells quarter peal
- 17 Newnham Snowdrop Sunday
- 21/22 Film Soc.
- 22 Preston Capes Quiz Night
- 23 Charwelton Cancer Research evening.

March

- 2 FONS Progressive Supper
- 3 PC Sunday bar
- 7 Charwelton APCM
- 7 Badby PCC
- 8 PC Friday bar
- 12 Newnham PCC
- 16 Newnham jumble sale
- 18 Lent Film
- 19 Newnham APCM
- 21/22 Film Soc.
- 27 Preston Capes APCM

April

- 1 Lent Film
- 4 Badby PCC for reports
- 7 PC Brunch and bar
- 12 PC Friday bar
- 13 Film Soc.
- 19 Fiori Musicali at Fawsley Church
- 23 PC New Look quiz night
- 25/26 Film Soc.
- 25 Badby APCM

May

- 2 Charwelton PCC
- 12 Hort Soc plant sale
- 14 Newnham PCC
- 18 Film Soc.
- 22 Preston Capes PCC
- 26 Newnham NGS open gardens
- 31 Film Soc.

June

- 20 Badby PCC
- 28 Film Soc.
- 30 PC Inter-village croquet tournament



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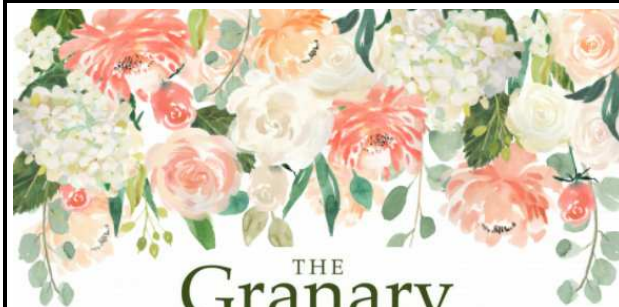
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Rector: [Vacant] As we are in interregnum any requirement to contact or obtain a priest for home visits or Communion, marriages, baptisms or funerals should be directed first to the Churchwardens of the parish as detailed below and arrangements can be made. See page 5.

Benefice Secretary: [Vacant]

Benefice Treasurer: Bill Dearn, Appletree Cottage, Little Preston. NN11 3TF 361277 eandb@dearns.co.uk

Lay Band: Gerard Hoare, Bernard Rapson, Maureen Sinclair, Graham White, Heather Wilson

Lay Pastoral Minister: Graham White **Benefice Children's Officer** Susan Rose (879053)

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