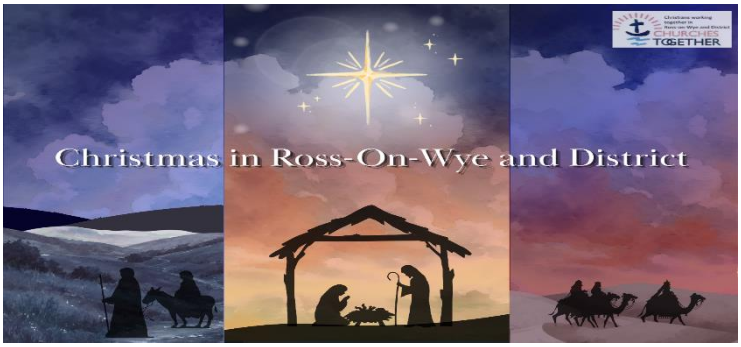
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Hello all, if you have any news or events that you would like mentioned in the next issue of the newsletter, please let me know by midday on **Monday 20 November**. Thank you! Here is the online version here: https://ctih.org/newsletter/

Churches/Christians Together groups

Churches Together in Ross



Fri. 27th Nov.
Treasure Island
by The Saltmine Theatre Company
Larruperz Centre, 6:30 pm
A pantomime for all the family
Find out more by scanning the QR code

Sun. 6th Dec.
Messy Christmas
@CLC Ross
Larruperz Centre, 11:00 am
A special creative all-age Christmas service

Sun. 13th Dec.
'The King of Kings'
A Lion King Nativity
Ross Baptist, 10:30 am
Carol Service @CLC Ross
Larruperz Centre,11:00 am
Carol Service
The Community Church, Henry St, 4:00 pm

Tue. 15th Dec.
Blue Carol Service
St Mary's, 2:00 pm
A comforting space for people who might find Christmas time challenging

Sat. 19th Dec.
Christmas Carol Service
Brampton Abbots
4:00 pm

Sun. 20th Dec.
Christingle Service
@CLC Ross
Larruperz Centre, 11:00 am
Carols by Candlelight
Ross Baptist, 3:30 pm
Carol Service
St Mary's, 4:00 pm

Tue. 22nd Dec.
Carols Under the Spire
St Mary's, 5:30 pm

Christmas Eve
Crib Service
St Mary's, 4:00pm
Nativity Service
St Michael and All Angels Walford, 4:00 pm
Mass on Christmas Eve
St Frances Catholic Church, 6:00 pm
Informal Communion
Ross Baptist, 11:30 pm
Midnight Mass
St Mary's, 11:30 pm

Christmas Day
Said Communion
St Mary's, 8:00 am
Family Service for Christmas Morning
St Mary's, 9:30 am
Family Service for Christmas Morning
St Michael & All Angels, Walford, 9:30 am
Christmas Day Service
The Community Church, Henry St, 10:00 am
All Age Christmas Celebration
Ross Baptist Church
10:30 am
Mass on Christmas Day
St Frances Catholic Church, 11:00 am

Happy Christmas
FROM ALL THE CHURCHES IN ROSS-ON-WYE

Saltmine Theatre Company presents Treasure Island - Friday 27 November, 6:30pm at the Larruperz Centre



"Great adventures begin with a map - and this mysterious map promises courage, quests, and secrets. Jemimah (Jem) Hawkins sets sail in search of treasure, but when she is drawn into a world of greed, deceit and pirates, she begins to question what she is truly looking for.

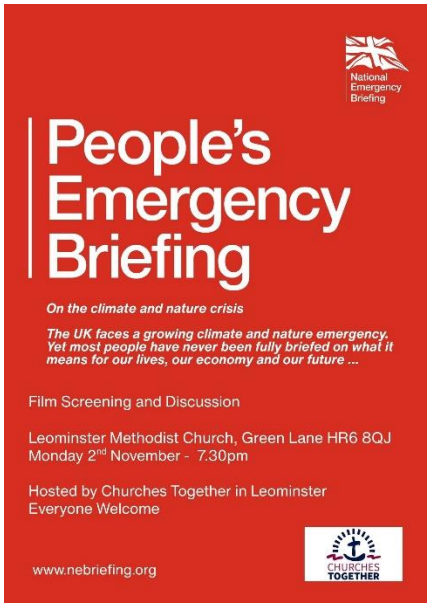
As storms close in and trust is tested, Jem must decide between gold and glory, or the people around her. This imaginative retelling of Treasure Island is packed with original music, humour and heart. Jump aboard and join Jem on her quest to discover the greatest treasure of all!".

Christians Together in Orleton

Advent Sunday Evensong will be on 29 November, 6pm at St George's C of E church. All are welcome!

Churches Together in Leominster

The People's Emergency Briefing film



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The People's Emergency Briefing film will be screened at Leominster Methodist Church, Green Lane on Monday 2 November at 7.30pm, hosted by Churches Together in Leominster.

In November last year, more than 1,200 MPs, peers and leaders from business, culture, faith, sport and the media gathered at Westminster Central Hall for a landmark national briefing delivered by leading UK experts. The event opened with broadcaster Chris Packham, who called for clear public understanding of the risks facing the UK. Experts addressed the implications of climate and nature breakdown for food security, health, national security, infrastructure and the economy, alongside practical evidence on how risks can still be reduced.

Chris Packham, who opened the event, who called for clear public understanding of the risks facing the UK has said:

"I'd encourage people everywhere to attend a screening of The People's Emergency Briefing. It creates exactly the kind of honest local conversation we now urgently need, both about what these changes mean where we live, and about what we can do together to address them."

The National Emergency Briefing is supported by organisations across conservation, education, faith and civil society, including the Church of England, The Joint Public Issues Team, WWF, the National Trust, CPRE and the Royal Meteorological Society.

The film, The People's Emergency Briefing, is followed by a facilitated and friendly discussion over tea and biscuits on the implications and opportunities for us locally.

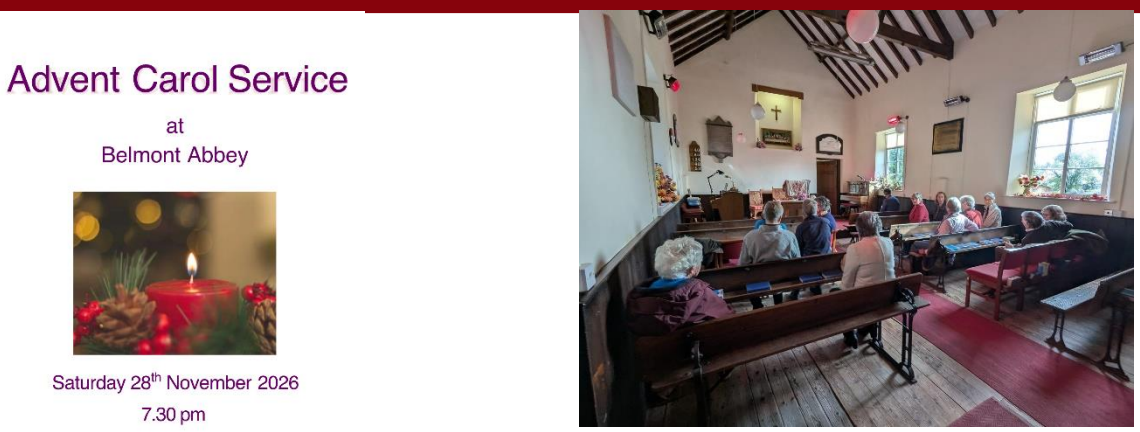
Christians Together in Ewyas Harold and District



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Churches Together in Kington Harvest service

CTK used URC liturgy within their ecumenical harvest service. There was great fellowship in coming together to celebrate the significance of Harvest.

CTiH Open Meeting



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Spiritual Care reaching further

The support our Psychospiritual team provides to our patients and their loved ones is a crucial part of the St Michael's Hospice care offering.

But for some time this team has been acutely aware it is only reaching patients physically in the Hospice in Bartestree - leading to a new partnership with Hereford Cathedral to extend our Psychospiritual Care to those being cared for at home.

"We've seen patients arrive at St Michael's already exhausted from months of unsupported spiritual and emotional distress," said Peter Spence, our Psychospiritual Care lead.

"Families would tell us, sometimes with real anger, that nobody had asked them how they were coping until it was almost too late. Bereaved relatives would come back to us long after a death, because there was nowhere else in the community that understood what they were carrying."

Peter says the Hereford Cathedral Community Partnership will help address this by supporting those receiving our care in their own homes, who may previously have missed out. This will be delivered by training Cathedral staff and volunteers, along with other community partners, to welcome patients referred into the partnership.

"This partnership means we are able to reach more people than ever before, and we're incredibly grateful to Dean Sarah and everyone at Hereford Cathedral for helping us expand this essential service, allowing St Michael's to provide Psychospiritual support in people's homes across Herefordshire," added Peter.

This pilot scheme launches on 1st October, offering a listening ear and support for patients in their last 12 months of life.

Peter, Dean Sarah & Rev

Only a week to go before CTiH's next Open Meeting! All are welcome at St John's Methodist Church at 7pm.

Archbishop of Canterbury joins in celebrating 1350 years of Hereford Diocese

The Archbishop of Canterbury visited Hereford Diocese (10-11 October) and joined in the celebrations of 1,350 years of Hereford Diocese. It was great to hear of ecumenical friends who also attended the celebration!







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Hope Together - Remembering and sharing hope



As churches and communities prepare to mark Remembrance Sunday, our new Remembrance cards offer a simple and affordable resource to give away.

Designed for services, war memorials and community events – or simply to place into someone's hand – they offer

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a thoughtful way to remember and gently share hope.

Sold in packs of 10, with prices starting from £3.50 per pack when ordering 50+ packs here.

Mothers' Union Diocese of Hereford

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence an extension of the day-to-day grassroots work of the Mothers' Union, where we work alongside communities to help end gender-based violence and to support those affected by it.

#NoMore1in3 – 1 in 3 women will be impacted by some form of violence in their life and we believe that this is unacceptable.

This international campaign takes place each year from 25 November (International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) until 10 December (International Human Rights Day).

On Saturday 28 November, 12:45 – 13:15 there will be a short service to raise awareness outside the West Door of Hereford Cathedral.

Please join us if you can.

Telephone 07988 750673 for more details.

The One

The One is a group for 16- 25-year-olds to worship, pray, and look at God's word together. Ross Baptist Church are privileged to host 22 November, 7-10 pm. Everyone is welcome!

Healthy Dialogues Toolkit Resource

I'm Rich, and I led the development of Healthy Dialogues, a free online toolkit developed with Black Thrive, with support from Impact on Urban Health and NHS Southeast London Integrated Care Board.

It was created first for Black and mixed-heritage children and young people. But it's for every child and young person, whatever their background, and for any faith leader, community worker, volunteer, parent or carer who supports them.

It helps trusted adults, like youth leaders, pastors, imams and family hub workers, listen well and know what to say next. It has a five-minute checklist and worked examples of hard conversations.

Families can read the whole toolkit in their own language, including Somali, Yorùbá, Arabic, Urdu, Bengali, Polish and Portuguese.

The family pages explain referrals, meetings and rights in plain English.

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They're there for any parent or carer who isn't sure where to turn.

It's free to use, you don't need an account and you don't have to sign up. It works on a phone.

https://healthydialoguestoolkit.com

If it's useful, please share it with your congregation, members, volunteers or families.

Spiritual Question Time

The next Spiritual Question Time will take place on 10 November, 7pm-8:30pm. Venue tbc, find out more at Hereford Diocese's website.

Biblical History Group

"The November lecture on 'The Dispersion of the Nations' on 21 November, 2pm (with tea/coffee & biscuits from 1:30) but in the Parish Centre as the conference room is booked for that day.

We will begin the 2027 series of lectures on Saturday 9 January with 'King Saul – The First King of Israel', as we progress into the United Monarchy era of Biblical history." More information will be released nearer the time.

Care for the Family

Widowed Young Support online: 14 November & 17 April 2027

Bereaved Parent Support online: 21 November & 20 February 2027

Churches Together in England



When faith, nation and belonging meet

County Ecumenical Officer Dr Ian Watson reflects on why CTE's Kingdom over Nation resource matters for Christian witness in a divided public square. Read more...

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Congregational Federation's Tyndale anniversary walk

More than 200 churches. Ten regions. And 500 miles . One for each year since the printing of Tyndale's New Testament in English. Read more...

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"The silence speaks louder than the tumult"

A report from the Quaker-organised Central London walk showing solidarity and care for everyone impacted by violence, conflict and war. Read more...

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Homeless Winter Support 2026



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