

Bridges Group News

Date: 19th November 2023

Sunday: 2nd Before Advent



News and Views – hosted this week by Priors Marston

Remembrance Sunday

It always feels strange to feel no personal grief on this day, as none of my family were lost in the great wars of the 20th century, but I am absorbed into the collective mourning of the day. For Amos Bull of the miller's family, and that poor Haynes family who lost so many sons.

The familiar liturgy carries us to the poignant, “We will remember them”. And we must remember.

We pray every year for peace and this year the world is again plunged into war...

Yet, Creation is full of shadow and light, so, as we move on from the darkness of this November day, let us turn our eyes to our eyes to the Light to come.

The Christmas liturgy contains the foretelling of the arrival of the one “Who will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, **Prince of Peace**”.

The baby in the crib grew up to call himself the **Light of the World**.

He grew up to teach us, “**Blessed are the Peace-makers.**”

Let us remember the names on our War Memorial, and as we pass, let us pray for peace.

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Looking ahead

- Priors Hardwick PCC: 20th November
- Group Council Meeting 27th November
- Children’s Leaders Meeting 4th December
- Deanery Synod : 7th December, 7.30pm at the Tom Hauley Room in All Saints Harbury
- Albert Hall Carols: 16th December, 9am – 8pm, please email Napton School to book tickets

Services this Sunday 19th November, 2nd Before Advent	Services next Sunday: 26th November, Christ the King
9.00am BCP Holy Communion at Priors Hardwick 10.30am Morning Worship at Priors Marston 10.30am Holy Communion at Napton 4.00pm Messy Church Stockton Bible readings for the week are: Zephaniah 1:7, 12 – end, Matthew 25:14-30	9.00am BCP Holy Communion at Lower Shuckburgh 10.30am Morning Worship at Wormleighton 10.30am Holy Communion at Stockton 3.00pm ‘4 th Sunday’ at Priors Marston 5.00pm Evensong at Napton Bible readings for the week are: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Matthew 25:31 - end

(For more details of events and diary dates, see our website: www.thebridgesgroup.org.uk or the parish magazines)

Next Week’s Bridges Group News will be hosted by Priors Hardwick.