NOTICES & NEWS

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Worship in Church and Online Preachers and readings for **Sunday 9th November**

Haggai 1: 15b-2:9; Psalm 145: 1-5, 17-21;

2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17;

Luke 20: 27-38

Worship in Church: 10.30am

(Sunday Fun sessions are on the 2nd & 4th Sunday each month at 10.30am)

9th Nov **Rev Carrie Seaton** (Remembrance Sunday)

16th Nov Chris Law

16thNov 3pm A Special Service of remembrance

23rd Nov Rev John McNeill 30th Nov Local Arrangement

Flowers in church this week have been specially arranged for the Remembrance Sunday

Weekly Programme

Monday:

Badminton Club 9.30-11.30am Carers Coffee Morning 10.30-11.30am (3rd Mon)

Friendship Club (2ndMon) 2.30pm BB&GA Anchors/Juniors 5.30-8.00pm (termtime)

Welcome Cafe (termtime) 5.30-8.15pm **Monday Makers** 7.30-9.30pm

Tuesday:

JellyTotz 10-11.30am Parents & Toddlers (termtime) Men's Social (2nd Tue) 10-12noon The Chosen (Study Group) 2-4pm Step"n"Style (termtime) 4-8.30pm Wednesday:

Welcome Cafe 10-12noon Welcome Garden 10-12noon Supastrikers(termtime) 1.30-2.15pm Thursday:

Welcome Cafe 10 - 12noon **Craft Group** 10 - 12noon **BB&GA Company** 7-10.00pm (termtime)

Friday:

Friday Lunch Club 2nd&4th Fri Saturday:

Welcome Cafe 10-12noon (1st & 3rd of month)

Foodbank - The collection crate is available in the church entrance every

Church & PFA Events 2025

Nov 8th **Church Jumble Sale**

Nov 15th **Craft Group Christmas Fayre** Nov 22nd PFA Christmas Fayre 12-2pm

(proceeds for BB&GA)

Nov 29th & 30th **Church Open Weekend**

Lonsdale Road MC

Dec 13th Carols(Cotswold Clarinet Choir) & mince pies

Sun 16th Nov 3pm - A Service of Remembrance

As in past years, we will be holding a special service in the afternoon, led by Rev. John McNeill.

All are welcome to attend and reflect on the lives of those who have passed away in recent times or in years gone by.

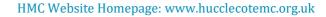
Remembrance Parade – 9th November

Our annual parade will start from the Royal Oak in Hucclecote at 10.30am and will be led by the Band of the 5th Gloucester Boys Brigade and Girls Association. The remainder of the BB&GA Company will follow, accompanied by other uniformed groups and members of the public. A short service will be held at the War Memorial, at the end of Green Lane, which will conclude with the Last Post.

The parade will then proceed into Carisbrooke Road and conclude with a short service in Hucclecote Methodist Church.

If you are unable to join the parade, there will be a period of reflection and prayers from 10.30am in the church before the parade arrives.

5th Gloucester Boys Brigade & Girls Association would like to extend a warm invitation for ALL to join us in the hall afterwards for Coffee/Tea/Refreshments and fellowship.



Advent Celebration - Open Church Weekend 29th & 30th November 2025

We have a Church Open Weekend on the 29th and 30th November to share what we do with the community of Hucclecote. The Service on Sunday is followed by a Bring and Share Lunch and a meeting with the Circuit Superintendent Rev Jayne Webb. Jayne is visiting all the churches in the Circuit to help them discern their strengths and develop their mission plan. She is particularly skilled at doing this and we need as many members as possible to come to the meeting and join in the discussion. So please put the date in your diary and make every effort to attend.

Advent Celebration - Open Church Weekend 29th & 30th November 2025

Dear Friends,

We are now well on our way to finalising plans for our Open Church Event over the 29th & 30th November.

Every room on our premises will be open to our neighbours within the community.

On Saturday from 10.00am – 4.00pm and on Sunday from 3.30pm – 5.00pm (circa).

The event will close with switching on our 'Nativity on the Green' by the Mayor of Gloucester.

The 'Welcome Café' will be open for the whole event to run on our usual donation basis. Bakers- this is again your chance to shine. We will need cakes to showcase your skill and generosity.

We also require staffing for all the rooms, to direct and answer questions, as our visitors engage with the various activities going on.

It is hoped that every church group will be represented over the weekend and if you haven't already been asked (we haven't got around to quite everyone yet), to write, demonstrate or display, and would like to, please contact one of the stewards.

It would be good if as many of our church members and followers could be present over the weekend as possible.

Please contact any of the stewards to offer your time.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX PRESENTS FOR THE UNDER PRIVILEGED CHILDREN OF GLOUCESTER AGED 0 – 14 years

As you know we have for some years organised shoe box presets for the under privileged children in Gloucester. The Salvation Army very kindly distribute them, because they are able to identify children in need.

If you would like to help with this, please can your contributions be brought to Church before 15th November. The boxes will be blessed in Church on the 16th November and forwarded to The Salvation Army in time for distribution for Christmas.

Shoe boxes (**not** boot/trainers/lge men's please) should be labelled Boy or Girl and approx age. Some boxes will go to the Refugee Centres, so items such as toiletries and underwear will be very useful.

This is a Christmas present, so <u>please include some toys and/or other items of fun including sweets.</u> (Avoid chocolate because it can melt and spoil box contents).

Other suggested items could include:

Hat/Gloves/Scarf, hairbrush/comb, toothbrush/paste (age appropriate), bubble bath/soap, flannel/wash sponge/scrunchie. Colouring book/colouring pencils, magic painting book/paintbrush, reading books & puzzles. Plain paper pads/pencils, diarys, calculators, fancy key rings, hair slides etc. are all good for older children.

For baby boxes, please check suitability, especially toys and do not include sweets. However, baby clothes, nappies and baby toiletries are good choices.

If possible, the box should be wrapped in Christmas paper and secured with an elastic band. It must be able to be opened for checking contents to ensure everything is appropriate. If you are unable to do this, please leave the box unwrapped and just secure it with an elastic band.

If you are unable to supply/fill a box, we would be glad to receive items which we can add to boxes.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting this worthwhile venture.

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Jumble Sale - Saturday 8th November

Second-hand, bric-a-brac and jumble sale

Commencing at 2pm
All the proceeds are for Church Funds.

Please will you bring your saleable items to the hall either:

- Between 6pm and 8pm on the Friday (day before) or
 - Between 9am to 12noon on the Saturday.

HELP please. We also need helpers to sell the items.

We are usually very short of helpers,
so even if you have not taken part previously,
please come along to help.

Clearing up after the sale is always a big task, so if you are able to help us after 3.30pm to clear away and sweep up, please come along.

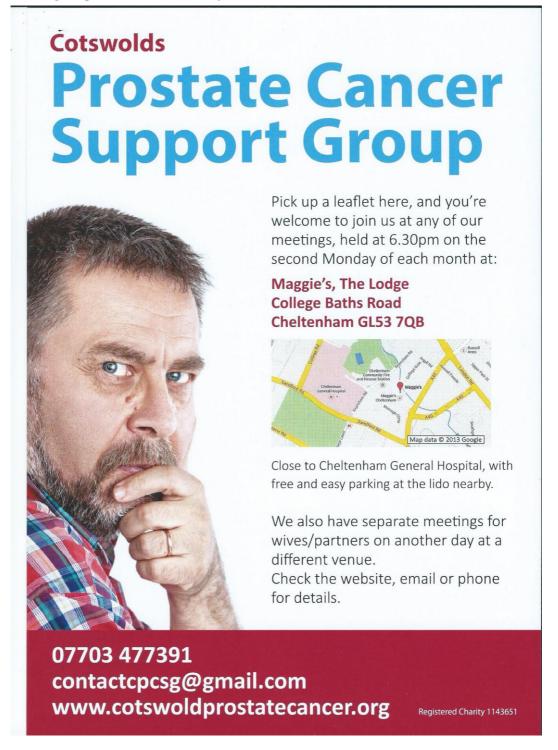
Many thanks to all who support us.

Men's Social - Tuesday 11th Nov

Join us at our next meeting at 10am. Our guest speaker is the Chair of the Cotswold Prostate Cancer Support Group.

We are sure this is a subject which concerns all of us so please come along if you wish to find out more.

We meet as a group on the 2^{nd} Tuesday, each month.



Christmas Craft Fayre

Hucclecote Craft Group Saturday 15th November 2025

10am to 12am

Christmas Decorations
Craft Items
Raffle

Tea and coffee available

