



**CHRISTINGLE
CAFÉ CHURCH**

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER

Join the fun... at any time ...

3.45pm Drinks and cakes

4.00pm Creative activities for all ages

4.30pm Christingle Service



Please bring an orange each to make your own Christingle. We'd love to see you there! Do bring your friends and family.

For more information please contact Lou:
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Take part in the



CHRISTMAS EVE CRIB SERVICE

On Christmas Eve we will be holding the ever-popular Crib Service at 4pm. This service will re-tell the nativity story through a series of scenes, with a number of reading and speaking parts for children 4 yrs and over.

There will be 3 rehearsals, probably late on the week-end afternoons leading up to Christmas.

If your children (age 4 and above) would like to be involved, and will be here on Christmas Eve, call Lou 07890 948692, lou62johnson@gmail.com by Sunday 23rd November. Or better still...

Sign up today!



Service of Remembrance

Sunday 9th November

10.50am at the war memorial

in Littlebury Churchyard,

followed by a SERVICE IN THE CHURCH

Cross-References



Journeying with Jesus in Jerusalem

The Resurrection

John 20: 1-18, (Good News Version)

20 Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the entrance. 2 She went running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" 3 Then Peter and the other disciple went to the tomb. 4 The two of them were running, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and reached the tomb first. 5 He bent over and saw the linen cloths, but he did not go in. 6 Behind him came Simon Peter, and he went straight into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there 7 and the cloth which had been around Jesus' head. It was not lying with the linen cloths but was rolled up by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in; he saw and believed. (9 They still did not understand the scripture which said that he must rise from death.) 10 Then the disciples went back home. 11 Mary stood crying outside the tomb. While she was still crying, she bent over and looked in the tomb 12 and saw two angels there dressed in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and the other at the feet. 13 "Woman, why are you crying?" they asked her. She answered, "They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have put him!" 14 Then she turned around and saw Jesus standing there; but she did not know it was Jesus. 15 "Woman, why are you crying?" Jesus asked her. "Who is it that you are looking for?" She thought he was the gardener, so she said to him, "If you took him away, sir, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him." 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned toward him and said in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (This means "Teacher.") 17 "Do not hold on to me," Jesus told her, "because I have not yet gone back up to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them that I am returning to him who is my Father and their Father, my God and their God." 18 So Mary Magdalene went and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord and related to them what he had told her.

Today's activities

1. Biscuit tomb . Use biscuits and icing to create an edible Easter Day empty tomb.



2. "He is Risen" Rock. On a flat round stone, use acrylic pens to draw the tomb with the stone rolled away.



3. Holy Week Cross. On a card cross, arrange images of the eight events we have heard about in Holy Week .



4. Jerusalem model. Over the year we have built a model of ancient Jerusalem, marking the places in the Holy Week story. Finish it off with the empty tomb.



5. For the little ones - Lego or Happyland up by the altar.

6. For the grown ups. Finish our Jerusalem model by constructing the tomb, decorate a stone, make an edible tomb, or look up the QR code link .



7. Write a prayer. Thank God for good things that have happened, say sorry for what we have done wrong, ask for His blessing on those who are suffering or in need.



Remembering Together

A service to remember and give thanks, with an opportunity to light a candle in memory of a loved one.

Sunday 2nd November at 4pm

If you are unable to attend but would like someone remembered, there will be a list for names on the table at the back of the church. Or contact Janice: janicerust@btinternet.com - 01799 521312

From Uttlesford Foodbank.

"We would like to thank the congregation of Holy Trinity Church Littlebury for your very generous Harvest Festival collection which weighed 48.4kg. This is enough to provide around 100 meals and will also give much needed hope and comfort to those in need. Every month we hand out on average 5 tonnes of food and without the support of people and organisations like yourselves and our amazing community, we couldn't do the work that we do. Thank you."

Pop Up Coffee Shop Wednesday 12th November

10am - 11.30am in the church
Real coffee and home made cake
A great chance to chat and catch up
(Next Pop Up Coffee in the New Year)
Everyone Welcome!



Mary & Joseph's Advent travels around Littlebury

During the season of Advent, from Advent Sunday (30th November) to Christmas Eve, households throughout Littlebury will be taking part in the old Mexican tradition of "Posada", when our nativity figures of Mary, Joseph and the donkey are welcomed each night to seek shelter in a different village home.



This is a very special way to prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas, and Mary and Joseph's visit is eagerly anticipated by children and adults alike. People may put the figures in their front windows, on their kitchen table, light a candle, say a prayer or sing a carol, but most importantly it helps us to consider the true meaning of Christmas.

If you would like to be part of this wonderful tradition and would like Mary and Joseph to come and stay in your home this Advent, please get in touch with Amelia : 07846 185944, amelia.hughes@hotmail.co.uk by **Friday 14th November**, or...

Sign up on the Journey rota today

Reflection Over Coffee in Advent

Join us for an hour a week, preparing for Christmas by looking at the Bible. Mondays 24 Nov, 1, 8, 15 Dec, 11am, at Cam House, Roman Way, Littlebury.



All welcome, for more info contact Janice Rust (janicerust@btinternet.com) or Isabelle Page (isabellepage45@gmail.com).

November Reflection & Coffee, Mon 3rd Nov 11am

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All proceeds from the sale of this beautiful colourful A3 wall calendar will go to the upkeep of Littlebury Church and Uttlesford Foodbank



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