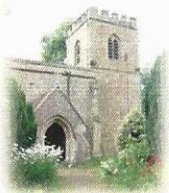
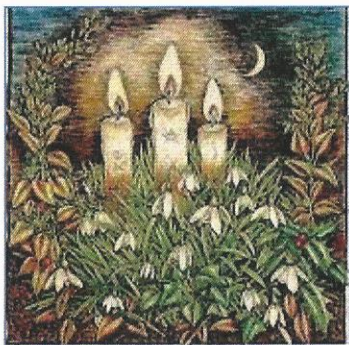


The Parish Church of St Peter's, Ashby Parva

# Church News



## Candlemas Day – Saturday 2nd February



Candlemas Day is also celebrated as the Presentation of Christ in the Temple and marks the presentation of Jesus to God in the Temple. Luke's gospel records that Simeon the Priest, together with Anna, a prophet, met Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem. Simeon held the baby Jesus and declared him to be a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to the people of Israel. On Candlemas night, many people place lighted candles in their windows at home.

Many Christian festivals have pagan origins and in ancient times Candlemas was the festival of light, marking the mid-point of winter, between the winter solstice and spring equinox. Candles were lit to scare away evil spirits on dark winter days and nights.

People also believed that Candlemas Day predicted the weather for the rest of the winter, rather like St Swithin's Day.

*If Candlemas Day be fair and bright  
Winter will have another fight.  
If Candlemas brings cloud and rain  
Winter won't come again.*

### Flower Rota

27th Jan & 3rd Feb – Emma Jordan 10th & 17th Feb – June Clayton  
24th Feb & 3rd March – Helen Bennett

### February Cleaning Rota

4th – Lesley Chapman 11th – Jean Williamson 18th – Christine Burley  
Brass – Janet Finnigan & Lesley Chapman

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## Mini Christmas Tree Festival



A huge 'thank you' to all those who exhibited trees at this event - such creativity. The winners were 'The Butterfly Effect' in the adult section and 'The Cattle are Lowing' in the child/family section.

## Carol Singing around the Village

A festive evening was enjoyed at this annual event on 19th December. With the kind generosity of all who encountered the singers, £116.68 was raised for Rainbows children's hospice. Special thanks go to Helen Bennett and Ann Palmer for the most welcome refreshment stops, the carol singers and of course all who donated so willingly.



**£100.37 from the Christmas services was sent to One Roof, a local charity supporting the homeless in Leicester and Leicestershire.**



## Musical Evening

**Dave Shepherd Violin and Anna Pack Accordion**

7.30pm on Monday 11th March in Ashby Parva Village Hall

*June would like to thank the kind friends and neighbours for the most generous gifts presented to her at the Stewardship Evening - most unexpected and very humbling.*

**Any announcements, notices or village related items for the newsletter should be submitted to Lesley Chapman by the 13th of the month  
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## ***Sunday Church Services***

### **Sunday 3rd February – Presentation of Christ – Candlemas**

8.00am	St Peter's	Claybrooke	Holy Communion
9.30am	All Saints	Dunton Bassett	Holy Communion
10.00am	St Anne's	Frolesworth	New Morning
11.15am	St Peter's	Leire	Holy Communion

### **Sunday 10th February – Fourth before Lent**

8.30am	St Mary's	Wibtoft	Holy Communion
9.30am	All Saints	Dunton Bassett	Open Church
10.00am	St Peter's	Claybrooke	New Morning
11.00am	St Peter's	Ashby Parva	Holy Communion
6.30pm	St Anne's	Frolesworth	Evensong

### **Sunday 17th February – Third before Lent**

8.00am	St Anne's	Frolesworth	Holy Communion
9.30am	All Saints	Dunton Bassett	Holy Communion
10.00am	St Peter's	Ashby Pava	Sing Sunday
10.00am	St Peter's	Claybrooke	Morning Service
11.15am	St Peter's	Leire	Holy Communion

### **Sunday 24th February – Second before Lent**

8.00am	St Peter's	Ashby Parva	Holy Communion
9.30am	All Saints	Dunton Bassett	Sunday Saints
10.00am	St Peter's	Claybrooke	Holy Communion
6.30pm	St Anne's	Frolesworth	Evensong

### **Sunday 3rd March – Next before Lent**

8.00am	St Peter's	Claybrooke	Holy Communion
9.30am	All Saints	Dunton Bassett	Holy Communion
10.00am	St Anne's	Frolesworth	New Morning
11.15am	St Peter's	Leire	Holy Communion

## ***Midweek Church Services***

9.00am Every Tuesday	St Anne's, Frolesworth	Morning Prayer
10.00am Wed 6th Feb	St Anne's, Frolesworth	Matins
10.00am Wed 20th Feb	St Anne's, Frolesworth	Matins
10.00am Fri 1st Mar	All Saints, Dunton Bassett)	Women's World
7.00pm Fri 1st Mar	Ullesthorpe Cong Church )	Day of Prayer

### ***Ash Wednesday Services on Wed 6th March***

10.00am Morning Service at St Anne's, Frolesworth  
7.30pm Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes  
at All Saint's, Dunton Bassett

## ***Events Around the Villages***

Mon 4th Feb	7.30pm	WI in Leire Village Hall: Hula Hooping with John Parnell
Tues 5th Feb	7.30pm	Knit & Natter in Ashby Parva Village Hall
Wed 6th Feb	2.00pm	Evergreens in Ullesthorpe Memorial Hall
Tues 12th Feb	10-noon	Coffee Morning in Frolesworth Village Hall
Tues 12th Feb	8.00pm	Claybrooke History & Heritage Group in the School Hall: Leicestershire after the Mercian period with Archaeology expert Peter Liddle
Wed 13th Feb	2.00pm	Forget Me Nots in Claybrooke Village Hall
Thurs 14th Feb	2.00pm	WI in Ullesthorpe Memorial Hall: When you Wish Upon a Star with Alexa Wingfield
Tues 19th Feb	2.30pm	Mother's Union in Ullesthorpe Congregational Church: A Day in the Life of a Community Officer with PCSO Laura Bolton
Tues 19th Feb	7.30pm	Knit & Natter in Ashby Parva Village Hall
Wed 20th Feb	2.00pm	Evergreens in Ullesthorpe Memorial Hall
Thurs 21st Feb		Ullesthorpe WI trip to the Royal Ballet Performance of Beauty and the Beast at Birmingham Hippodrome
Thurs 28th Feb	10.30am	Coffee Morning in Claybrooke Village Hall

## ***Weekly Events***

Every Mon Noon-3pm - Knit & Natter at Ullesthorpe Congregational Church

Every Wed at 7.30pm - Bible Study Group at Hall House, Ullesthorpe

Every Thurs 10-noon - Mums & Tots Group in Claybrooke Village Hall

Every Friday 3-4.30pm - Tuck Shop in Leire Village Hall

Every Friday for Children – 6pm Pilots and 7.30pm Flat Mates  
in Ullesthorpe Congregational Church

### ***Ash Wednesday Frugal Lunch***

***The Hollies, 8 Main Street, Frolesworth***

***12noon – 2.00pm on Wednesday 6th March***

Join David and Joan Beeson for homemade soup, a homemade bread roll and an apple. No need to book and the cost is £3 per person. There will also be a raffle and proceeds will go to Embrace the Middle East to support its work with the vulnerable children of Bethlehem in Palestine.