



CHURCH SERVICES NOVEMBER 2017

Sunday 5 November – All Saints (Green)

- 9.00 Catcott Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10.30 Ashcott Informal Worship
- 10.30 Edington Family Communion
- 6.30 Shapwick School Praise 'n' Prayer

Saturday 11 November – Remembrance Day

- 10.50 Catcott War Memorial

Sunday 12 November – Remembrance Sunday (Red)

- 10.00 Shapwick Café Church followed by Communion at 11.45

10.45 Burtle Remembrance Service

Sunday 19 November – 2nd before Advent (Green)

- 10.30 Catcott Matins (BCP)
- 10.30 Chilton Polden Informal Worship
- 6.30 Ashcott Holy Communion (CW)

Sunday 26 November – Christ the King (Green)

- 9.00 Shapwick Holy Communion (CW)

10.30 Burtle Family Communion

- 4.00 Chilton Polden Christingle
- 4.30 Edington Evensong (BCP)

Sunday 3 December – Advent 1 (Purple)

- 9.00 Catcott Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10.30 Edington Informal Worship
- 10.30 Ashcott Holy Communion (CW)
- 6.30 Edington Praise 'n' Prayer

Thursday 7 December

- 6.30 Shapwick Singing Around the Christmas Tree

Sunday 10 December – Advent 2 (Purple)

- 10.30 Shapwick Café Church
- 10.30 Chilton Polden Holy Communion (BCP)
- 4.00 Ashcott Christingle
- 6.30 Burtle Carol Service**

Thursdays 2 and 16 November; 7 December: Ashcott 10.00 Holy Communion
 Wednesday 22 November: Edington 10.30 Holy Communion
 (this service will be in Edington School Room, Church Road, Edington,
 preceded by coffee at 10.00am)



BURTLE CHURCH NEWSLETTER

St Philip & St James Church, Burtle, Somerset

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Hi folks,
On Monday, many people noticed that there was an eerie atmosphere around, with a strange light and a strong wind blowing. It would have made a great opening for a disaster movie – or a prelude to an alien spaceship landing! In reality the red light was caused by dust dragged up from the Sahara by Hurricane Ophelia, and obscuring the Sun.

This set me thinking... how often do we let things obscure our view of God's Son? Sometimes it may be genuine theological issues: why does God allow suffering, for example? (as with the hurricanes last month). Or it may be our own experiences which, for one reason or another, have led us to a negative impression of who God is. I don't for a moment want to underplay that.

However, sometimes it's more minor stuff: maybe we allow the busyness of our own lives to obstruct our view. Even church stuff can get in the way: we're so busy that we don't allow time for the most important thing, which is to develop our relationship with God. And yes, even vicars can be in danger of letting church stuff get in the way!

But if, as I believe, the good news of God's Son is the most important reality that we should be engaging with, then – where we easily can – we should make time to get a clearer view of him.

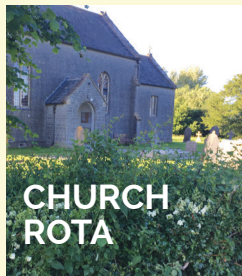
Every blessing,

Rich Tweedy vicar@poldenwheel.co.uk

Photo: The red sun over Somerset - Photo Len Copland / Western Gazette



MESSY CHURCH Sat 24th November
St Mary's Church Shapwick Church 4pm



	Church Flowers	Cleaning
5th November	R. Tucker.	
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY		
12th November.	S Wallis.	J. Ponsillo
19th November	D. Wilkinson	
26th November	J.Allen	B. Vowles
3rd December.	J. Attiwell	

Food Bank

There is a box situated just inside the church door for donations of non-perishable foods which is picked up every month for the Food Bank in Bridgwater. Thank you for your donations.

Samaritans Purse Shoe Box Appeal

Would you like to fill a shoe box to send to a child who would otherwise have very little at Christmas? Leaflets are in church and the filled boxes can be returned to the church or given to Rosemary 722321 or returned to Café Burtle 11th

Bible Study

Bible Study is every other week, at 22 Middle Street Ashcott. Tel: 01458211082. Jen Tweedy leads the evening on Luke's Gospel. Let us know if you want a lift.

Skittles evening

The skittles evening at The Duck was a great success. There were 57 villagers. Not all played skittles but all enjoyed the delicious lasagne, salad and chips provided by Magic and his staff. A big thank you to Georgia and Charlie Richards who stuck up skittles all evening. Thank you to all who came.

Churchwardens ; A. Everett 723736 and R Tucker 722321

BURTLE CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARDS AVAILABLE AT CAFE BURTLE

Christmas Cards depicting St Philip & St James Church will be on sale at Café Burtle also some of the Stained glass window are in church on the pew table.



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