

Light of the World

Yes, it is here again; on Sunday 30th November we will light the first candle of Advent. And for the children it will be followed by opening the first window of their Advent calendar. Christmas has begun.

In our part of the world this is the darkest time of the year. The days are short and the weather uncertain. I have some family in Australia and for them Christmas is the start of their long summer holidays.

The school and college year starts in late January. It is very much their time of change with new classes or courses for the students. For the adults the long, hot days (sometimes too hot) of work and leisure.

Yes they have the light; we have to try to 'add it'. The Christmas lights cheer up our streets and homes. In Dunstable where I live Advent begins with an evening 'torchlight procession'. The children process from the church to the town square. Then we all join the schools choir to sing the first Christmas carols of the season and of course to light up the large town Christmas tree.

In years gone by, the procession was headed by Mary and Joseph with a real donkey.

Of course, here in Peters Green our figures of Mary, Joseph and the Donkey will be visiting homes as always. Donkey is ready with his diary hoping that many kind friends will help him once again. Our village is a place of light in the dark December days with many homes lit up and as we share with family, neighbours and friends the joys of the season. Our chapel window shines out in the dark evenings and we look forward to our candlelight carol services.

Christmas is the time when we remember that 'Jesus the Light of the World' has come to us. But amid the busy Christmas lights do we see him? Many of our expressions about light are about us realising or seeing things more clearly. 'The light has dawned',

'I see the light', or 'let the light in'. That last one we often use in difficult or unexpected situations.

I like the words of a more modern Advent hymn.

'Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, Opened my eyes, let me see'

As we look again at the coming of the Christ child may we see that Jesus the Light of the World is come.

Wishing all our families and friends the blessings of Christmas and peace and light for the New Year.

PERRY GREEN BAPTIST CHAPEL AT PETERS GREEN

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SUNDAY SERVICES 4.00 pm.

November

" 30th Advent Service - Mr Roger Barton (c)

December

" 7th. Mr. Roland Ogberigbe

" 14th. All Age Carol Service

Mr Roger Barton 3.00pm

" 28th. Miss Pam Greener

January

4th. Mr Erwin Tadiar (c)
18th. Mr Adam May

" 25th. Tea & Hymns at Central

February

" 8th. Miss Pam Greener (c)

" 22nd. Mr. Adam May

Contributions for the next newsletter Please email your contributions to chapel@peteretteridge.com or hand your contributions to Pam Greener by 31st January.

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP

We meet at 2.30 pm. On the first Tuesday of each month at Perry Green Baptist Chapel.

Please Join us.

You are Always Welcome.

The next sessions are as follows:

2nd December. Carols with Liz

January. No Meeting

3rd February. Miss Pam Greener (Weather permitting)

All Are Welcome to Our Services

Enjoy a journey through the countryside to the village of Peters Green.

We are only a 10 minute drive from the centre of Luton.



Download the newsletters from: www.peteretteridge.com/peters-green-newsletter





If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please send a request to: chapel@peteretteridge.com



Perry Chapel. - Donkey's Virtual Diary

Last year's Virtual Donkey's Diary was a huge success. We all were able to follow Donkey's adventures before and after 'our' day. And, of course, it enabled us all to share Donkey's visits with our friends near and far.

Daily Diary items should come in on email (or by phone or text) and Peter will send them out to all as we did last year. We have some spaces available so if you missed out last year and would like to join in just contact us.

Our All Age Carol Service is on Sunday 14th December at 3.00 pm.

God bless you.
Pam

As usual our Christmas offerings will be for









We wish you a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year
From all at the Chapel.

Tuesday Fellowship Carols with Liz



Tuesday 2nd December 2.30 pm. Perry Green Chapel At Peters Green



WORDSEARCH

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Donkey Mary Joseph Manger Shepherds Star Stable Bethlehem Angels Immanuel Kings Oxon Wisemen Gold Frankincense Myrrh Nativity Jesus

The words can be found on the grid, backwards, forwards, upwards, downwards, or diagonally.

EVENTS AND SERVICES



1st December. Mary, Joseph, and Donkey begin their journey around the village. Send greetings through Donkey's diary.





All Age Carol Service Led by Roger Barton Sunday 14th December



St Peter & St Paul Kimpton

November

Sunday 30th 9.30am. Advent Sunday Communion Service

December

Sunday 7th 9.30 am. Communion Service

Sunday 14th 8.00 am. BCP Communion Service

9.30 am. Christingle Service

6.30 pm. Carol Service

Sunday 21st 9.30 am. 4th Advent Communion Service

Wednesday 24th 3.00 pm. Crib Service

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Thursday 25th 10.00 am All Age Communion Service

Ayot St Lawrence Church

Sunday 30th November 11.30 am. Advent Sunday Communion Service

Sunday 14th December 4.00 pm. Carol Service

Central Baptist Church - December

Sunday 14th 10.45 pm. Children's Nativity
Sunday 21st 7.00 pm. Carols by Candlelight

Thursday 25th 10.45 pm. Christmas Morning Service



Recordings of Services are available on the web



www.kimptonchurch.co.uk

PERRY GREEN CHAPEL



Sunday December 14th. 3.00 pm. At Peters Green

Virtual Donkey's Diary

Visits by Mary, Joseph, & Donkey

Mary, Joseph and Donkey (our wooden figures for anyone new to this) will need a place to stay for each day in December.

If we haven't spoken to you and you would like to be included please phone me (01582 604771)

or email: chapel@peteretteridge.com

Pam



Parish Councillor...

Peters Green update

The work to look at how we can tackle the ongoing issue with speeding through the village continues. We are delighted to have received confirmation from Cllr Muncer and his team that a second Speed Indicator Device will be purchased, with installation planned by April. We continue to work with NHDC to look at other options, including the potential for village gates with a speed indicator.

Kimpton Parish Council

Communication - In addition to the Kimpton Parish Council website, the KPC use the FaceBook page and email bulletins to pass on news and local updates. If you would like to be included on the distribution list for the e-bulletin please forward your email to clerk@kimptonpc.org.uk You can unsubscribe at any time.

Kimpton Country Walks

To help residents and visitors, Kimpton Parish Council has released a new version of the Kimpton Country Walks pamphlet with local walks of various lengths. Our sincere thanks to Bob Malcolm for his time and effort on the update.

https://kimptonpc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Kimpton-Walks-Pamphlet-April-2025.pdf or in a hard copy form which can be found at The Homestead café at The Pavilion, Recreation Ground or from the Parish Clerk clerk@kimptonpc.org.uk

Kimpton Christmas Market

Pre-evening: Friday 28th November 2025 6pm to 9pm The Green Market Day: Saturday 29th November 2025 12noon to 4pm, later on The Green

With warm wishes for the festive season, Ziuta (07810 792634 / <u>ziutabraystacey@gmail.com</u>) and Nigel (07802 335508 / nigelwallis@hotmaill.com)



Donkey's Diary



2025



Joseph, Mary, & Donkey, on their way to Bethlehem



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