



St Peter and St Paul's Dry Drayton

A small church with a big heart



Newsletter November 2026

Dear Friends,

At this time of year, we are turning our thoughts once more to all those from our communities who lost their lives in service of our country. For many of us, Remembrance Sunday is also an opportunity to reflect, and remember those known personally to us who served during World Wars I and II, and in all conflicts since. We

are living in uncertain times and the news seems to be full of terrible stories of violence and hatred. Our recent experiences remind us that civilians often face great suffering as well as those in the armed forces. Christians believe Jesus offers us hope in the face of troubling times. In John's Gospel he reassured his followers that "*in this world there will be trouble. But take heart, I have overcome the world*" (John 16:33) Jesus's message gives us comfort and hope because God – in the end – is always on the side of good not evil. His way – the way of love – will triumph in the end. The peace Jesus offers is not the absence of trouble but is found in Jesus himself who Christians believe overcame the world through his death and resurrection. Jesus encourages his followers to find peace in him and to remember God's power has the ability to overcome everything, even death.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all those who are caught up in wars around the world today, including Ukraine and the Middle East where peace still feels a long way off. We especially pray that all people on the side of good, justice and peace will prevail; and all wrong doers will fail. We will be remembering and honouring all those who have served their country and we will be thinking of those who are suffering due to violence and conflicts today. All are most welcome to join us at our Remembrance Day Service on 10:50am on Sunday 8 November. We will remember all those from this village who gave their lives for our country, those known personally to us, and think of all those caught up in wars today.

God Bless,

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Services in November

Sunday 1 November

5:30pm Choral Evensong with Revd Clare

Sunday 8 November Remembrance Day

10:50am A special service of remembrance with Revd Priscilla Slusar

Sunday 15 November

11am Morning Worship with Revd Clare

Sunday 22 November

11am Holy Communion with Revd Clare

Sunday 29 November Advent Sunday

11am Holy Communion with Revd Clare. We will be starting an Advent Sermon series today:

Discovering Joy this Christmas: an art inspired journey through Advent

This Advent we will be focusing on how Christian art can deepen our understanding of the Christmas story and help us to grow in faith. Advent is the season of waiting, watching and preparing, readying ourselves to meet Jesus afresh. Making space to be challenged, to think more deeply about what we believe and how it affects and influences our lives.

Each week we will be studying a new piece of art and exploring in turn the themes of light, hope, peace and love with related bible readings.

For our Christmas festivities, we will focus on the joy Jesus brings into our lives and we will conclude our Sermon series at Epiphany, reflecting back on all we have learnt this season, to try and sense where God may be calling us next.

Online Services

Sundays at 11am Lordsbridge Zoom Service

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88221400075?pwd=b3VQeDArQVJRREtYTlgrZ0tEbDdWdz09>

Meeting ID: 882 2140 0075

Passcode: 534531

Weekday Services:

Caldecote Women's Prayer Group

Thursday mornings in term time at 9am on Zoom Women from Caldecote and surrounding villages are warmly invited to join us online, gathering in spirit to pray, reflect and lift one another up through prayers.

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CALDECOTE WOMEN'S PRAYER

EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH PRAYER

MEETING ONLINE 

Led by Rev'd Clare Coates



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*Praising, Confessing, Thanking, and Praying
for our community, churches, families, friends, and ourselves.*

*"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."
— Matthew 18:20*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88137270141?pwd=pCvjk7eQrFqYX8GrvRP6JmMZKI9bYK.1>

Meeting ID: 881 3727 0141

Passcode: 655934

Friday night prayers at 7:30pm, on Zoom with ALM Micheala McNeill

All most welcome to join us on Fridays for night prayers starting at 7.30 pm with chat and prayer actually beginning at 7.45 pm:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83806423658?pwd=Ux2yZaz0VJeLnNbF12pUyuvihUeSkL.1>

Meeting ID: 838 0642 3658

Passcode: 167011

What's On:

Dry Drayton Coffee Morning

First Wednesdays every month, in the Village Hall, 10am -12noon.

Saturday November 21 at 6pm

Chamber Music at Dry Drayton Church presents 'Si dolce tormento.' Renaissance songs from England and Italy. Tickets £15/£5 under 18s to include a glass of wine/juice afterwards.

Chamber Music Concerts
at
Dry Drayton Parish Church

‘Si dolce tormento’
Renaissance songs from England and Italy

Helen Southernwood *soprano*
Richard Taylor *virginals*

A programme of songs
and keyboard works by
the greatest composers
of the Renaissance,
including Byrd,
Monteverdi and
Gibbons; and featuring
the historic keyboard
instrument, the virginals.



Ticket reservations at:
sidolcetormento.eventbrite.co.uk
suggested donation on the door: £15/£5
to include wine/juice afterward



Saturday 21 November; 6 pm
lasting one hour

Community

HARDWICK Tuesday Toddlers in the Cabin 10-11:30am, every Tuesday in term time.

All welcome to join us for free play, craft, story and fun!



Tuesday Toddlers
in the Cabin, Hardwick
10-11:30am in Term time
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