

# StowCaple Churches

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Advent 3-15th December 2024

**SERVICES** 

15<sup>th</sup> December Advent 3

9.30am Bridstow Holy Eucharist CW
11.15am Sollers Hope Carols and Nativity Play

3.00pm Peterstow Carol service

18th December

3.00pm Kings Caple Community Carol service

22<sup>nd</sup> December Advent 4

10.00am K C Old School Christingle making service

11.15am Bridstow Holy Eucharist CW

5.30pm How Caple Carol service

23<sup>rd</sup> December

6.00pm Sellack Carol service

### **IMPORTANT MESSAGE**

Most of you will be aware of the resignation of Archbishop Justin Welby and the Makin report which triggered it. If anyone has been affected by this or has suffered from abuse in the past and would like to speak to a member of the leadership team, please don't hesitate to contact us. We understand that speaking out about abuse can be very difficult and distressing and you may not have felt able to tell anyone before, particularly if the abuser is a family member or person in a position of trust, but this may be a moment when you can. Nobody deserves to be abused; please know that you are not to blame. We are here to support you and you can be assured that your concerns will be responded to sensitively and without judgement.

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## For Your Prayers;

Pray this week for all who will join us for worship during the Christmas period, that they may find our churches warm and welcoming and with a message that is relevant and challenging of the love that seeks to be born anew within us.

Church: Pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania: and as O Sapienta falls on Tuesday (17<sup>th</sup>) marking the beginning of the last week before Christmas, pray that amidst the glitter and noise in the world and om our high streets we are able to find time for faithful and prayerful keeping of the last days of Advent

World: pray for political prisoners throughout the world and those who are oppressed because of their faith; On International Migrants' Day (18<sup>th</sup>), pray for all who take the risky decision to migrate, escaping persecution and injustice, or hoping for a better life, and for those cruelly exploited and finding themselves turned back. May the wealthy countries of Europe be able to extend the hands of welcome to all who risk such journeys.

**People** pray this week for all who have been affected by the winds, rain and damage from the recent winter storms and for those emergency service workers working in still inclement conditions to repair power lines, pump out flooded premises and remove debris from the roads; remember too all who work in the NHS in our Diocese that as the cold and flu season gathers pace they may not be overwhelmed pray too for all church musicians as they prepare to make Christmas once again joyous occasions for all, giving special thanks for our wonderful organists;

Continue to pray for all who are unwell, for Neil Unitt, Mike Swinnerton, Mike Tunnicliff, Margaret Artus, Eric Powell Phil and Patsy Rudge, Angela Gething-Lewis and Bill and Willie Stevens; pray for all mourning the loss of loved ones

#### **DIARY DATES:**

**WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH 2025 7pm - KINGS CAPLE CHURCH – LICENSING OF Revd. LAURA HEWITT**-please put this service in your diary and make it a priority

<u>St Peter's Peterstow Sun 29 Dec 2.30pm CHRISTMAS CREATURES</u> – after -Christmas entertainment of carols, readings and a fabulous Afternoon tea. Donations in aid of our chosen charity – Vennture

<u>CHRISTINGLE MAKING</u> - Come to Kings Caple Old School at 10.00am on Sunday 22 December to make your own Christingle for Christmas. Everyone welcome – not just children and families!

### **GAZA AID**

Kathy would like to sincerely thank those who supported her recent charity show, which raised over £1,300 for work of the Red Cross helping children in Gaza. With 25% added to it through Gift Aid this is an amazing result - well done, everyone!

Why not stay connected with us using Zoom:

Mid-day prayer – Tuesday and Thursday

ID: 922 223 7750 Password: 77. NB: No mid day prayers on Christmas

**Eve or New Years Eve** 

Wednesday Bible Study – For more info please contact Ann Owen (<a href="mailto:ann@owenfamily.me.uk">ann@owenfamily.me.uk</a>) ID: 862 6084 4541 Password: Bible

NB: Christmas Break 18.12- 1/1/25 inc, Resumes 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025

During the Vacancy contact us for any help you may need:

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