

# ROUNDAABOUT

December 2019 & January 2020



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little  
CHRISTMAS

## FROM THE VICARAGE:

We approach Christmas this year with the unusual accompaniment of a December General Election – the first for nearly 100 years. As Christmas becomes a memory and the New Year a reality, what will that year hold? Any prediction about 2020 will inevitably be more uncertain than any prediction about a coming New Year ever is. But one thing remains the same as ever – and that is that Christmas is Good News – we celebrate the birthday of Jesus. Jesus was born into a world much more uncertain than ours is. His birth was truly a light shining in a dark world. The message of Christmas remains just that – it is the message of light shining into a dark world. Political turmoil may rage around us, but Jesus comes to us again this Christmastime, saying “Peace be with you”.



*Paul Wilkinson*

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## CRAFT & A CHAT

Our craft and a chat group meets in St Botolph's on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 2pm - 4pm. All are welcome to come along to join us!



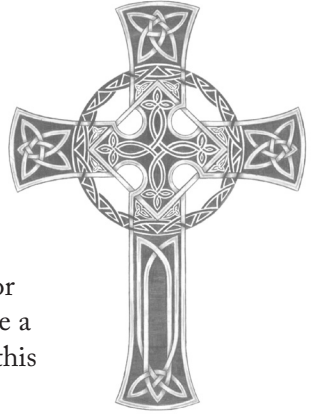
## REFLECTION AFTERNOONS

**Thursdays 19th December & 9th & 23rd January from 4pm - 6pm**  
St Botolph's will be open for people to drop in for quiet prayer and meditation

**Thursdays 12th December & 16th January from 4pm - 6pm**

St John's will be open for people to drop in for quiet prayer and meditation





## OUR UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES:

### ST BOTOLPH'S, NEWBOLD-ON-AVON

Services every Sunday at 10.45am and 6.30pm except for 29th December, when there are no services. There will be a service of Holy Communion in St John's at 4.00pm on this day

### ST JOHN'S, LONG LAWFORD

A service every Sunday at 9.00am except for 29th December, when the service is at 4.00pm instead of 9.00am

## STREET PRAYER CYCLE

**1st December:** Almond Grove, Newbold

**8th December:** Anker Way, Long Lawford

**15th December:** Ashman Avenue, Long Lawford

**22nd December:** Avonmere, Newbold

**29th December:** Back Lane, Long Lawford

**5th January:** Badger Close, Long Lawford

**12th January:** Bilton Lane, Long Lawford

**19th January:** Boyce Way, Long Lawford

**26th January:** Briars Close, Long Lawford

## KNIT & NATTER

The Knit and Natter Group meets at St John's Long Lawford from 2.00pm until 4.00pm on the second Wednesday of every month. Anyone is welcome to come and join us!



## FROM THE REGISTERS:

### BAPTISMS

In St Botolph's on: 19th October: Sophia Anne Jean Kimber

27th October: Aila Rose Grainger



### FUNERALS

Georgina Beatrice Adcock (86) – buried in St Botolph's Churchyard on 28th October  
 Mary Doyle (75) – cremated at Rainsbrook Crematorium following a service in St John's on 30th October

## FOSBOTS WINNERS

### October 2019 winners.

|           |           |        |    |
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| 1st Prize | M.Bowman  | £40.00 | 8  |
| 2nd Prize | I. Watson | £20.00 | 52 |

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## HOLY COMMUNION

A short service of Holy Communion will be held in the Common Room at Robotham Close, Newbold on the first Tuesday of the month at 10.30am. This service is open to anyone who would like to come along.

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## A PARISH PRAYER

Holy Jesus, to deliver us from the power of darkness you humbled yourself to be born among us and laid in a manger. May the light of your love always shine in our hearts. Amen. Jesus' sake. Amen.

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## CHURCHYARD NEWS:

As my contribution to Roundabout will be on a quarterly basis starting in 2020, I will take this opportunity to thank our brilliant team of volunteers - they even cleared as many leaves as possible prior to the Remembrance Service on Sunday 10th to avoid any accidents by slipping on wet leaves! They continue to work so hard to maintain the churchyard to such a high standard. So many compliments are made in passing and well deserved they are too.

Thank-you to all FOSBOT subscribers for re-newing their membership (although we are down in numbers), at the time of printing, but one can join anytime of the year, and your contributions make the difference between continuing the upkeep of the churchyard, or leaving it to nature! Therefore your subscriptions are very much needed and appreciated. Roses have been pruned and winter bedding flowers planted in the pots, hopefully to bring some colour to the churchyard.

Wishing you all A Happy and Healthy 2020 - especially to all our volunteers.

Barbara Sear

## CHRISTMAS 2019

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

#### Christmas Eve:

4.15pm in St Botolph's – Candlelight Service

6.30pm in St John's – Carol Service

11.45pm in St Botolph's – Midnight Communion

#### Christmas Day:

9.00am in St John's – Holy Communion

10.45am in St Botolph's – Holy Communion




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### A SERIES OF SPECIAL SERVICES IN ST BOTOLPH'S AT 6.30PM DURING DECEMBER:

1st December - An Advent Procession of Light

8th December - Christingle

15th December - The Christmas Story as told by.....(a re-telling of the Christmas story from the viewpoint of the different characters involved)

22nd December - A traditional service of Readings and Carols

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### CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2019

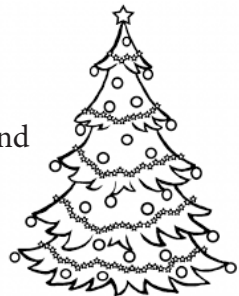
Opening Concert - Friday 6th December 7.00pm

Festival open – Saturdays 7th and 14th, Sundays 8th and

15th – 1.00pm till 5.00pm each day.

Admission - £2 adults – accompanied children free.

Theme: Disney/Pixar animated movies




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### REMEMBRANCE TREE - CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

If anyone would like their loved ones name on it in time for the Opening Concert they can leave names with £2 per name in an envelope in church, with the Vicar or any church member.

The names will also be recorded in church in the Remembrance Book

## LOCAL GROUPS & ACTIVITIES:

5TH RUGBY (NEWBOLD) SCOUTS, CUBS AND BEAVERS (Places are available for girls and boys.)

- Beavers** 6 to 8 yrs - Tuesday 5.30 pm till 6.30 pm  
Tony Marsella 07813 522168
- Cubs** 8 to 10½ yrs - Wednesday 6.30 pm till 8.00 pm  
Pauline Roberts 01788 314907
- Scouts** 10½ to 14 yrs - Tuesday 7.00 pm till 9.00 pm  
John Laing 01788 543685
- Website:** [www.newboldscouts.com](http://www.newboldscouts.com)
- Explorer Scouts** Tony Marsella 07813 522168  
14 to 18 yrs - Tuesday 7.00pm till 9.00pm

LONG LAWFORD CUBS, SCOUTS, BEAVERS AND BROWNIES (Places are available for girls and boys.)

- Beavers** 6 to 8 yrs - Monday 5.15 pm till 6.15 pm  
Chris: 01788 547122
- Cubs** 8 to 10½ - Monday 6.15pm - 7.45pm  
Denise 07962 972385
- Scouts** 10½ to 14 yrs - Monday 7pm - 9pm  
Julian 07890 425144
- Website:** [www.LawfordScouts.com](http://www.LawfordScouts.com)
- Brownies** Girls, 7 to 10 yrs - Thursday 6.00 pm till 7.30 pm  
Helen: 01788 571704

1ST NEWBOLD BROWNIES, RAINBOWS AND GUIDES

- Rainbows** 5 to 7 yrs - Monday 5.30 pm till 6.30 pm
- Brownies** 7 to 10 yrs - Monday 5.30 pm till 7.00 pm
- Guides** Monday 7.00 pm till 9.00 pm

Contact: Karen Barker 07884 068805

### MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library calls at the shops in Newbold between 11.10am and 11.30am.  
The next dates are: 20th December 2019 and 17th January 2020  
For more information see [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/mobilelibraries](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/mobilelibraries)

**LONG LAWFORD GARDEN CLUB**

Our garden club meets on the last Friday of the month at 7.30 in the Village Hall, Church Lawford. New gardeners and members are always welcome.  
For more information please contact Christine Nobes on 01788 811387.

**NEWBOLD SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB**

Newbold short mat bowls and occasional social evenings, meet every Friday at 7:00pm to 9:pm at Newbold Scout Hut, Lea Crescent, come and join us, we'd love to see you. Don't know how to play? Don't worry, we'll be happy to show you, or just come along for a cup of tea and a chat. First night is free, thereafter it's £2.50 per week to play or 50p for spectators, which includes a raffle ticket. Please bring a pair of smooth soled shoes if you want to play.

**NEWBOLD FELLOWSHIP**

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 3rd December where we will have our Annual Christmas lunch.

For more information please contact a member of the committee.

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Roundabout is changing..... after some fifty years in more or less its current format, the time has come for a major re-think of Roundabout. The Church Council have considered Roundabout at length and from the beginning of 2020 it will be published just four times a year, instead of monthly as at present. We are still working on the exact format of the new Roundabout, but we hope that publishing it less frequently will mean that we can make each edition more interesting and more exciting. Watch this space..... The next Roundabout will come out in time for Easter.

Any questions or items for inclusion should be sent to the editor, Hannah Wilkinson who can be contacted on phone: 07581 375147 or email: roundabout-magazine@hotmail.com.

### ST BOTOLPHS & ST JOHNS FACEBOOK PAGE

Please remember you can keep up to date with all the news, events and notices from St Botolphs and St Johns by visiting our Facebook page!

Find us at:

[www.facebook.com/pages/St-Botolphs-Newbold-and-St-Johns-Long-Lawford](http://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Botolphs-Newbold-and-St-Johns-Long-Lawford)

### ST BOTOLPH'S & ST JOHN'S

The vicar welcomes enquiries concerning baptisms, weddings & banns of marriage at any time.

**Vicar:**

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The Vicarage, Main St, Newbold  
CV211HH

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