

The Benefice of Wantage Downs East Hendred, West Hendred, and Ardington with Lockinge

5th – 19th November 2025

Services

9th November – Remembrance Sunday

9am – West Hendred – Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance

10am – East Hendred – Service of Remembrance followed by procession to the War Memorial

10:50am – Ardington – Service of Remembrance

16th November – Second Sunday before Advent

9am – West Hendred – Holy Communion

10am – East Hendred – Holy Communion with ministry of healing and prayer offered

6pm – Lockinge – Evensong

23rd November – Christ the King

9am – West Hendred – Holy Communion

10am – East Hendred – Morning Service

11:15am – Ardington – Holy Communion

Readings for 9th November

John 15:12-17.

Readings for 16th November

Malachi 4:1-2a; Luke 21:5-19.

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Pray-ers In The Bible

You are warmly invited to join us for some informal discussions on several bible characters and their prayers. It takes place on Thursday nights at The Barn Chapel Sq. East Hendred at 7:30pm November 13th, 20th, 27th and December 4th. All are welcome! For more information email the Benefice office or the Associate Vicar or phone 01235234001.

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We are deeply grateful to our volunteers who help our services run smoothly. We are now looking for volunteers for our December-January rota. If you would like to help please get in touch with Emma through the office email: office@wantagedowns.org

West Hendred

Greeting cards and Christmas cards on sale in West Hendred Church: £5 for 10. You can pay on-line at [Give A Little](#). They will also be for sale at the Christmas Fair on Sunday 7th December 12-3pm at West Hendred and Ginge Village Hall.

Ardington and Lockinge Collections

This quarter, October-December 2025, we are raising funds for The Children's Society. Collections received at church services are split between the local church and the PCC's chosen charity, in order to help those less fortunate than us. Nominations are also welcomed for next quarter's charity

East Hendred – Carols by Candlelight

The Carols by Candlelight service will take place on the evening of Thursday 18 December at St Augustine's, 6.30pm. Rehearsals will be every Monday evening from 24th November, starting at 5.30pm for one hour. Please contact Rosie if you would like to take part: rguilding@gmail.com / 07734426149.

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Please remember in your prayers

Health and healing: Yvonne and Sidney H, Ewan and Colin Stutt, Louise E.

The departed: Rita Bint, Janet Quinn, Derek (Taffy) Harford.

Clergy

Rector: Nikolaj Christensen: rector@wantagedowns.org | 01235 634940 | Usual working days: Sunday–Friday. NB! Emails sent after 3pm on a Friday may not be seen until Monday.

Associate Vicar: John Durant: areadean@wantagedeanery.org.uk | 01235 234001

Church Wardens

Ardington: Patrice Vogt: Patrice_vogt@yahoo.fr **Lockinge:** Thomas Loyd: tloyd@lockinge-estate.co.uk; Liz Townsend: liztownsend@qi.com

East Hendred: Jill Cook: churchwardeneh@gmail.com **West Hendred:** Hugh Rees: hugh@citidata.co.uk

Church Office: office@wantagedowns.org, Open: 9am-1pm Monday, 1pm-4pm Wednesday, 9am-1pm Friday.

This newsletter is sent out fortnightly. Material for inclusion should reach our administrator (email above) by 9am Monday.