



SPOTLIGHT



31 DAYS IN DECEMBER



Festive Friends 2018

Will you be on your own this Christmas Day?


If so, you are invited to join us for a Traditional Christmas Lunch in Bishops Castle!

Transport can be provided. Arrive for drinks and mince pies. Enjoy a two-course lunch (vegetarian option).

Relax and enjoy some light entertainment and conversation.



Time: 11:30am - 3pm
Venue: Church Barn
Cost: Suggested donation of £7 to help cover costs.
Contact: Linda on 01588 630409 for more information and booking.



BISHOP'S CASTLE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2018

FATHER CHRISTMAS

IS AT


BISHOP'S CASTLE WINTER WONDERLAND AND GROTTO

THE CASTLE HOTEL

FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 4PM-7PM
 SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER 4PM-7PM
 ADMISSION: £5 PER CHILD (INCLUDES GIFT)
 SUNDAY 2ND DECEMBER—VIEWING ONLY, NO CHARGE BUT CONTRIBUTIONS WELCOME

Christmas Craft Fair

in St John's Church, Bishop's Castle
 Saturday 1st December 2pm-6.30pm



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December 2018

1st	Action For Children Coffee Morning with Mince Pies. At Haslehurst Community Centre, Clun.
1st	Painting Exhibition at Bishop's Castle Town Hall. By Simon Jenkins. Continues until 5th January 2019
1st	Ladies Choir, Carol Singing, Mulled Wine & Mince Pies from 7pm at The Boars Head Bishop's Castle.
1st	Christmas Lights Umbrella Parade. FREE Workshop. Decorate your umbrella for the parade at 5.30pm. Workshop 10am-12noon at SpArC Theatre, Bishop's Castle. Bring an umbrella and LED battery lights. Materials available or bring your own. U8's must be accompanied by a helper.
1st	Bishop's Castle Flea & Collectors Market 9am-till late in the Town Hall.
1st	Messy Church for families 10.30am at The Church Barn, Bishop's Castle.
1st	Bishop's Castle Christmas Lights. Music, Stalls at The Castle Hotel and Santas Grotto. Town Hall open till late. See www.facebook.com/bcclights or call 01588 638141. 11am-8pm
1st	Christmas Craft Show at St John's Church, Bishop's Castle 2pm-6.30pm
1st	Christmas Pop-Up Shop at 1 Market Steps Bishop's Castle (formerly Sheepish). Lots of handmade Xmas Gifts. 10am-6pm Also on 8th Dec 10am-5pm Call 01588 638163 for info
1st-2nd	Castle Artists Christmas Exhibition "Affordable Art" 10am-5pm at the Public Hall, Bishops Castle. See www.castleartists.co.uk
2nd	Clun Christmas Lights Switch on 5.30pm-7pm. Procession 5.45pm. Mulled wine and mince Pies, Carols and Santa in the Square.
2nd	Walcot Hall, Lydbury North, Christmas Fair 10am-3pm . Lots of Christmas stalls and refreshments.
2nd	Live Music at the Boars Head, Bishop's Castle with "Eddie P" Elvis & Old Time favourites 6pm-9.30pm.
2nd	Live Music at The Vaults Bishop's Castle with "The Coal Porters!" from 5pm. Smooth tunes from the 1930's.
2nd	Ludlow Antique & Collectors Fair 9am-4pm in the Castle Square. Also on 16th December
3rd	Meditation at Mainstone led by Angela Pooley 7.30pm at the Village Hall. Call 01588 630148 for info
3rd	Painting Exhibition by Gill Stokes at SpArC Gallery, Bishop's Castle continues until Dec 31st.
3rd	Clun Valley Fairtrade Group. Cards & Crafts available from 7pm with AGM at 7.30pm with Cheese & Wine at Hightown Community Room, Clun. Browse, Chat & find xmas gifts.
4th	Clun WI Meeting 7.30pm at Haslehurst Community Room
4th	Onny Valley Social Club Christmas Lunch at Norbury Village Hall 12-12.30pm with Norbury School Children entertaining. Call 01588 650634 for info/booking or 07779460223
4th	Tinsel Tuesday in Ludlow. Craft & Makers Market in the Square 10am-4pm. Also on 11th & 18th December
4th	BC Footpath Walking Group Christmas Lunch at The Clive, Bromfield. Call 01588 630531 for info.
4th	Flicks in the Sticks present "The Greatest Showman" 7.30pm at Lydbury North VH.
5th	Bishop's Castle Film Society present "The Square" 8pm at The Three Tuns Inn, Bishop's Castle.
6th	Ludlow Christmas Market in the Square 9.30am-4pm in the Castle Square. Also on Sunday 9th and 23rd
6th	Jam Night at the Vaults, Bishop's Castle from 9pm.
7th	Christmas Quiz , 7.30pm at Marton Village Hall.
7th	Clun WI Meeting 7.30pm at Haslehurst Community Room
7th	Flicks in the Sticks present "The Happy Prince" 7.30pm at Leintwardine Community Centre.
7th	Flicks in the Sticks present "The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society" 8pm at Clungunford Parish Hall

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7th	Lydbury North School Christmas Fair . Call 01588 680277 for info
7th	Flicks in the Sticks present “Ladybird” at Knighton Community Centre 7.30pm
8th	Craft Fair at Bishop’s Castle Town Hall 10am-4pm
9th	Christmas Fair 10am-3pm at Aardvark Books Brampton Bryan.
9th	Live Theatre “Shooshoobaby - Christmas Cabaret” 7pm at Priest Weston Village Hall. Call 01938 561449
9th	Garland Making with Cath Murphy 10am-1pm at Bishop’s Castle Town Hall 10am-1pm. £10 to include Tea, Coffee and Mince Pies. Call 01588 630023 to book
9th	Felt Making with Clare Linford—make a penguin 2pm-5pm at Bishop’s castle Town Hall. £10 including Tea Coffee & Mince Pies. Call 01588 630023 to book
9th	Christmas at Blakemoregate Cottages Stiperstones 11am-2pm. £5. Walk to cottages enjoy mulled wine & mince pies and make a traditional wreath. Drop-in event.
9th	Mainstone WI Christmas Carol Service at Mainstone Church 7.30pm
9th	Live Music at the Vaults, Bishop’s Castle from 5pm with “Ben Smith” Folk/Blues/Country
9th	Concert at Clun Memorial Hall with the Llanfair Singers & Mig’s Band.3pm. Tickets £7.50 to include Tea & Cakes, available from Caractacus Clun or Knighton Fine Art Shop.
10th	BC Footpath Walking Group walk “Shrewsbury” (6m) Meet at Harley Jenkins CP at 9.30am. Call 01588 650382
11th	SWSHAS Meeting “Botany in the time of Robert More 1703-1780” with Heather Williams. 7.30pm at Bishop’s Castle Church Barn.
11th	Mainstone WI Meeting “Ukelele Group” from Bucknell 7.30pm at The Village Hall.
12th	SWS Gardening Club “Drinks & Nibbles” and 3 short talks: 7.30pm at Lydbury North Village Hall.
12th	Bettws WI Meeting 7.30pm at the Village Hall.
13th	Norbury & District WI Christmas Party 7.30pm at Norbury Village Hall.
13th	Coach Trip for Xmas Shopping in Worcester. Call 01588 640506 to book
13th	Film “Mamma Mia! Here I Go Again” 7pm at SpArC Theatre, BC. Call 01588 630321/638038
13th	Embroiderers Guild Christmas workshop - Tree Decorations 1.30pm CASCA Craven Arms. Call 01588 630663
13th	Live Music at the Vaults, Bishop’s Castle from 9pm
14th	Flicks in the Sticks present “Mission: Impossible - Fallout” 7.30pm at Bedstone & Hopton Castle Village Hall.
14th	BLAST Storytelling “The Woods are Lovely, Dark & Deep” . 7.30pm at the Town Hall, BC. 01588 630023
14th	English Country Dancing for all with Alphabet Dancers 8pm-10pm at Lydham VH. Call 01743 891117
14th	BC Footpath Walking Group Planning Meeting. Meet at 8 High St at 10.30am.
14th	A Christmas Miscellany at Lydbury North Village Hall. Call 01588 680691 for info
14th-16th	Christmas Tree Festival at Lydbury North Church. Open 10am-7pm. All Welcome, seasonal refreshments. Free admission. Donations to the Church Roof Fund.. Call 01588 690109 for info.
15th	Clun Local Produce Market 10am at Hightown Community Rooms.
15th	Flicks in the Sticks present “Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again” 7.30pm at Bettws-y-Crwyn Village Hall.
15th	Flicks in the Sticks present “Finding Your Feet” at Chapel Lawn Village Hall 8pm. Bring & Share Supper 7pm

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15th	Bishop's Castle Farmers Market 9am-1pm in the Town Hall.
15th	Candlelit Christmas Concert with The More Singers. 7.30pm at Myndtown Church. Tickets £10 inc. refreshments. Proceeds to the More Singers & Myndtown Church Maintenance Fund. Call 01588 680100
16th	Live Music in the Vaults Yard with Gareth Rhys Jones from 5pm
16th	Live Music Baroque Concert with Vox Magicae 7.30pm at The Town Hall, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630023
17th	Bishop's Castle Carers Group Christmas Dinner at the Boars Head. Call 03333231990 for info
19th	Flicks in the Sticks at Clun Memorial Hall 7.30pm Film TBC call 01588 640109
19th	BC Footpath Walking Group walk "Welshpool" (8m) Meet at Harley Jenkins CP at 9.30am. 01588 630531
20th	Lydbury North WI Christmas Songs & Carols 7.15pm at Lydbury North Village Hall.
20th	Live Music at the Vaults, Bishop's Castle from 9pm
20th	Carol Service at St Georges Church, Clun 7pm
20th	Live Music with "The Churchfitters Christmas Cracker" 7.30pm at Bishop's Castle Town Hall. Call 01588 630023 to book
21st	Live Music with "The Troy Redfern Band" from 9pm at the White Horse Inn, Clun
22nd	Joint Carol Service at Clun Methodist Church 10am
24th	Crib Service at St Georges Church Clun at 3pm, Holy Communion 6pm, Midnight communion 11.30pm.
26th	BC Footpath Walking Group walk "Around BC" (5m) Meet at Harley Jenkins CP at 9.30am. 01588 638999
28th	Live Music at The White Horse Inn Clun from 9pm (Band TBC)
29th	Flicks in the Sticks present "Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again" 7.30pm at Everest Hall Llanfairwaterdine
30th	Circle Dance for all with Bellamonda. 4pm at Church Barn, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630648 to book.

**CLUN ICE QUEEN'S
FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**
 Christmas Lights & Lantern Procession
Sunday 2nd December 2018

**Meet at 5.45pm at St Georges Church
for a procession through Clun ending in the Square
6pm: Carol Singing: led by Rev. Simon Mondon (St
Georges Church).**

**Mince Pies, Mulled Wine and a visit to Santa in his
Grotto!**

01588 640021
www.clungreenman.org.uk

**Christmas
Fayre**

**WALCOT HALL
SUNDAY 2ND DECEMBER
10AM - 3PM**

GIFTS, CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, FOOD & DRINK

€6 TO SEE SANTA IN OUR OUTDOOR WINTER WONDERLAND GROTTO
WHERE EACH CHILD RECEIVES A GIFT
OPTIONAL PONY RIDES
ALL SPACES MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK
CALL: 01588 400 670
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WWW.WALCOTHALL.COM

SpArC Theatre Events - December 2018
Tickets 01588 630321/638038 www.sparctheatre.co.uk

Sat 1st Dec 2pm
Tickets £5/£3



The Castle Players Live “Christmas Extravaganza”

A Festive Feast! Sketches, skits, song, dance, silliness merriment and a truck load of Christmas Spirit! Come along and enjoy a few panto sketches while singing some favourite Christmas songs. After the Panto on Saturday head into Bishop’s Castle to enjoy the Christmas Lights Festival with stalls, entertainment, lights switch on, Lantern Procession and Carols ’round the tree PILUS visit Santa in his Grotto! A Fantastic Family Festive Day out! There will be no panto in February 2019 so come and support Castle Players

Sun 9th 2pm
Tickets £13/£8



Royal Ballet Screening: “The Nutcracker”

The Nutcracker has long been one of the most delightful ways to discover the enchantment of ballet – and makes for a delicious seasonal treat for all the family. Let’s hope we avoid the snow this year!! Tchaikovsky’s much-loved music is matched to a magical adventure on Christmas Eve for Clara and her Nutcracker doll. Their journey to the Land of Sweets brings with it some of the most familiar of all ballet moments, such as the Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy and the Waltz of the Flowers. Peter Wright’s production for The Royal Ballet keeps true to the spirit of this Russian ballet classic, with period details and dancing snowflakes. The many solos and ensembles put the world-class skills of the Company to the fore in this Christmas classic. Choreography: Peter Wright. Music: Pyotr Il’yich Tchaikovsky 150mins Interval. This broadcast will be via Satellite and will be the live performance from Covent Garden from Monday 3rd Dec

Thurs 13th 7pm
Tickets £5/£4



Film - “Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again”

Sunshine, Music and Love -Sequel to the 2008 Abba Inspire film. Lets pretend it’s not winter! ***“Full of hits and emotion, this slick sequel delivers sharp one-liners, joyously contrived plot twists and an emotional punch.”*** The Guardian ***Dungarees optional but encouraged! “You’ll cackle at Christine Baranski’s crackling dialogue, cry when Meryl sings ‘My Love, My Life’, and when all is said and done you might even be tempted to go again ” Empire “this sequel/prequel is frothy fun for those who enjoyed the original’s music and upbeatenergy.”*** *Common Sense Media* In 1979 young Donna, Tanya and Rosie graduate from Oxford University — leaving Donna free to embark on a series of adventures throughout Europe. On her journeys, she makes the acquaintances of Harry, Bill and Sam — the latter whom she falls in love with, but he’s also the man who breaks her heart. In the present day, Donna’s pregnant daughter, Sophie, dreams of renovating a taverna while reuniting with her mother’s old friends and boyfriends on the Greek island of Kalokairi.

Tues 18th 2pm
All Tickets £3
Accompanying Carers FREE



Film - “The Man Who Invented Christmas”

Charles Dickens finds himself in financial trouble after three unsuccessful novels in a row. Desperate for a hit, he relies on real-life inspiration and his vivid imagination to bring Scrooge and other classic characters to life in “A Christmas Carol.” ***“God has blessed us, every one, with Dan Stevens, who inhabits the character of Dickens beautifully.”*** *Washington Post* ***“The Man Who Invented Christmas*** adds holiday magic to the writing of *A Christmas Carol*, putting a sweetly revisionist spin on the story behind a classic yuletide tale.” *Rotten Tomatoes* Tea and biscuits £1, No stairs, tables & chairs, Hearing loop, low lighting- Free Dial-a-ride bus service from Bishops Castle and Lydbury North please phone 01588 638350

2018
Christmas tree festival
Lydbury North Church

Come and see the beautiful trees at our very first festival

Friday 14th December

Church Open until 6.30pm

Come and enjoy the peace and beauty of the church and the trees

Saturday 15th December

Church Open All Day

Personalised Christmas Baubles -

Have a name hand painted (baubles supplied) 2pm to 4pm

Come and sing your favourite Carol at 'Carols in the Trees'

Starting at 6pm followed by 'Seasonal Supper in the Trees'

All are very welcome

Sunday 16th December

All welcome to join us for a quiet Holy Communion

Service at 8am

Church open for viewing the trees from 9am

Personalised Christmas Baubles - Have a name

hand painted (baubles supplied) 2pm to 4pm

Event closes at 7pm

Refreshments

✳ Seasonal refreshments will be available each day

✳ Live Organ music will be played at various times

during the 3 days

✳ Christmas Raffle

Admission Free Every Day

Donations for Church Roof Fund Gratefully Received

christmas
tree
festival

at Lydbury North Church

14th 15th & 16th
December
2018

Church open
10am-7pm

All Welcome

Seasonal Refreshments

Free Admission

Donations to the
Church Roof Fund



Castle Artists
Christmas Show
Sat 1st & Sun 2nd
December 2018
10.00am - 5.00pm
Public Hall, Station Street
Bishops Castle SY9 5AQ
www.castleartists.co.uk

Image: Sue Percy

The More Singers

Alistair Auld, Music Director - Richard Silk, Chamber Organ

Candlelit Christmas Concert
At Myndtown Church
Saturday 15 December at 7:30pm

Admission: £10 per person
Including tea, coffee and biscuits. Wine on sale.
Proceeds to The More Singers and the Myndtown Church Maintenance Fund

TO BOOK:

- Buy online at: www.myndtownchurch.co.uk/myndtown-church-online-shop
- E-mail: info@myndtownchurch.co.uk
- Tel: 01588 680100

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Dates for your Diary January 2019

1st	Young Persons Art Exhibition at The Town Hall, Bishop's Castle. Continues until 6th January
3rd	Jam Night at The Vaults Bishop's Castle from 9pm
6th	Live Screening "Andre Rieu-New Years Concert from Sydney" 3pm at SpArC Theatre, Bishop's Castle . Call 01588 630321 or 638038 or book online at www.sparctheatre.co.uk
6th	Onny Valley Social Club trip to see Mother Goose at Theatre Severn. Leave BC at 11.30am. The Green, Wentnor at 11.45am. Call 01588 650607 or 07971882553 for info/booking
8th	SWSHAS meeting "Shrews Archaeology" with Nigel Baker. 7.30pm at The Church Barn, Bishop's Castle
8th	Onny Valley Social Club Soups & Puddings at Norbury Village Hall 12.30pm-1pm with Tom Wenlock. Call 01588 650634 for info/booking or 07779460223
9th	Bishop's Castle Film Society present "Trumbo" 8pm at the Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 680445
9th	Hatha Yoga Class at Lydham Village Hall 7.30-8.45 every Wednesday for 6 weeks. Call 07481533610 or email vilma.g@mail.com to book a place.
10th	Live Screening of "The King & I" screened from the London Palladium 7pm at SpArC Theatre, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630321 or 638038 or book online at www.sparctheatre.co.uk .
10th	Live Screening of "The King & I" screened from the London Palladium 7pm at Aston on Clun Village Hall. Call 01588 660493 for info
10th	Norbury & District WI "Race Night" 7.30pm at the Village Hall
10th	Live Music at The Vaults, Bishop's Castle from 9pm
11th	Storytelling "Women and Power: Stories from Orlando Furioso" with Marion Leeper. 7.30pm at the Town Hall, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630023 to book
17th	Live Music at The Vaults, Bishop's Castle from 9pm
17th	Embroiderers Guild talk "C & G Textiles, Patchwork & Applique" with Fran Turnbull 1.30pm at CaScA Craven Arms. Call 01588 630663 for info.
19th	Bishop's Castle Farmers Market 9am-1pm in the Town Hall.
22nd	Afternoon Film "The Bookshop" 2pm at SpArC Theatre, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630321/638038 to book
23rd	SWS Gardening Club Talk "Birds, Bees & Broad Beans" with Malc Mollart. 7.30pm at Lydbury North VH.
23rd	BC Film Society present "Gods Own Country" 8pm at The Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 680445
24th	Live Music at The Vaults, Bishop's Castle from 9pm
26th	Live Music with Claude Bourbon "Medieval Spanish Blues Guitar & Songs" 7.30pm at the Town Hall, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630023 to book.
27th	Live Screening from the ROH of "The Queen of Spades" (Tchaikovsky) 2pm at SpArC Theatre, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630321 or 638038 or book online at www.sparctheatre.co.uk .
30th	Live Screening from the ROH of "La Traviata" (Verdi) 6.45pm at SpArC Theatre, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630321 or 638038 or book online at www.sparctheatre.co.uk .
31st	NT Live Screening from the National Theatre of "I'm Not Running" 7pm at SpArC Theatre, Bishop's Castle. Call 01588 630321 or 638038 or book online at www.sparctheatre.co.uk .
31st	Live Music at The Vaults, Bishop's Castle from 9pm

Please Note there will be no Spotlight in January 2019. Next Edition February.
Any entries to be submitted by Mon 18th January please to enterprise.house@bishopscastle.co.uk

THE CHURCHFITTERS' Christmas cracker

A mouthwatering selection of favourites from their regular repertoire featured with traditional and original festive songs and Christmas carols. This cracker of a show will see Christmas in a happy and a paper full-out of surprises, songs, fun... and something you'll want!

www.churchfitters.com
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THURSDAY 20TH DECEMBER 7.30PM
AT THE TOWN HALL, BISHOP'S CASTLE

Tickets £14 from the Town Hall 01588 630023 or
www.ticketsource.co.uk Bar

Bishop's Castle Town Hall

Christmas Craft Fayre

Saturday 8th December
in the Town Hall

10am-4pm

2 Floors full of stalls including:
Ceramics, Baked Goods, Jewellery,
Cards, Silk Scarves, Textiles
Knitted Toys, Craft Materials,
Soft Furnishings & Handmade Bags

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Bishop's Castle Public Hall, Station,
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VIEWING Fri 4.30pm
AUCTION STARTS 6.30pm
Sat VIEWING from 8.30am
AUCTION STARTS 10am

Dec 2018	7th/8th	21st/22nd
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Citizens Advice Shropshire
Bishops Castle Outreach

Citizens Advice Outreach will be open at Enterprise House on the following dates:
10am-12noon
Mon 3rd Dec Mon 17th Dec

ENTERPRISE HOUSE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

WE WILL BE CLOSED FROM
1PM ON SAT 22ND DECEMBER
& RE-OPEN AT 9AM ON WED 2ND JANUARY

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