

# newsletter

February 2026



Welcome to our February 2026 Newsletter which contains:

- Authorised Lay Ministers - recognition and an appeal
- Easter in the Kingfisher - We need help with our 'Easter Blessings' event
- Environsort visit now on 18th March



## Beyond Toys: The Real Hunger in Redditch

1,520 children got toys this Christmas—but that wasn't the headline. The real story? A desperate, unexpected hunger for hope. Families weren't just asking for playthings; they were asking for Bibles. It was so urgent our volunteers spent their nights hand-delivering Bibles to doorsteps across town. The "spiritual hunger" is real, and it's loud.

For Easter 2026, we're answering that call. We're launching a Hub of Generosity in the Kingfisher Centre to put a Bible and a gift into the hands of every family.

Read the full story and join the mission:

<https://cofe-redditch.org.uk/easterblessings/>



## Redditch Lay Ministers Lead the Way at Worcester Cathedral

As the winter twilight settled over Worcester Cathedral on January 24th, a new light was kindled for the future of Redditch. Our newly trained lay leaders joined others from across the Diocese to be officially authorised by Bishop Martin in a joyous service of music and purpose. From the heart of the liturgy to a vibrant, action-led song by our very own Activity Church, Redditch's presence was felt by all. These leaders return to us ready to flourish in children and youth ministry, worship, and new worshipping communities.

Use the QR code below or type the link

<https://cofe-redditch.org.uk/redditch-lay-leaders-worcester-cathedral/>



## Can you be our Eco Champion?

Redditch and Bromsgrove Deanary are looking for their Eco Champion. This person could have already helped a church with their Eco Church awards, or just be passionate about equipping the church to care for creation.

Do you know someone in your church which could fit this description? Email [info@cofe-redditch.org.uk](mailto:info@cofe-redditch.org.uk) for a chat!