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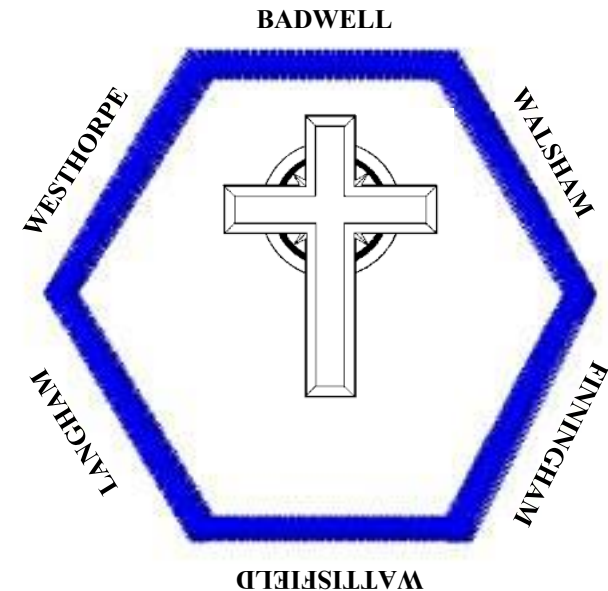
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FROM THE RECTORY

As you read this, we will already be in the Season of Advent, leading us onwards to Christmas. Advent always begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas, and since the 4th Century has marked the beginning of the Christian year. The Liturgical colours in our churches are changed to purple, to signify a time of quiet reflection. The emphasis throughout the Season is on **hope**, as we prepare for the coming of the 'light of Jesus' at Christmas.

Advent is a season which looks back through history at the people who waited in darkness for the light of Christ to come, and which also looks forward to a time when there will be a far fuller light and all our darkneses will be illuminated; a second Advent. The word Advent has its root in the latin word 'veni,' and translates as 'coming,' and refers to the coming of Christ in every way. We think of the first coming of Christ in a manger in Bethlehem.

I have often said and written that this Season can be a very difficult and sad time for many. As we, in our daily lives give comfort and hope to those in our communities who are bereaved, lonely, busy, sick or troubled, these become small advents of our own in our daily encounters, reflecting the life, love and light of Christ.

On that first Christmas there was no room at the Inn for the baby Christ, but there will be room for everyone at our variety of different services at all our six Benefice churches as we join together in celebrating the birth of Jesus. There literally is room for all, because God welcomes each and every one of us. He does not want anyone to be turned away.

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For all of you reading this, whether your Christian faith is strong, faltering, or you have none at all, there will be a warm welcome at any of the Benefice Services this Advent and Christmas Season; be it a contemplative service of Compline, an informal Crib service, a choral carol service, or the mystery of the Communion service, including our informal Christmas Day Communions for all the family. A full list of services can be seen elsewhere in this magazine.

Just as Advent, amongst other things, is a Season of **hope**, so Christmas is a time to celebrate that hope. May the awareness of that Christmas hope be rejuvenated in our lives, those of our families, friends and communities, and across the wider world as we celebrate the birth of a child in a stable in a remote part of the world over 2000 years ago.

Denise and I wish all a Blessed Advent and Christmas Season.

Philip
Benefice Priest

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Women's Aid

A bit of an unusual request but.....does anyone have any Barbie dolls clothes that they no longer need? We have several excellent Barbies that are well loved by the children living in refuge but currently, their wardrobes are looking a little tired/absent!

Please share widely and if you are able to assist, please contact me on 01359 258596. Happy to collect.

Many thanks

Jeannie Bloomfield. Patron. Bury St Edmunds Women's Aid

DID YOU KNOW?

Christmas Trees Nearly 60 million Christmas trees are grown each year in Europe.

Carols. Carols weren't sung in churches until they were introduced by St Francis of Assisi in the 13th Century.

Stockings Hanging stockings out comes from the Dutch custom of leaving shoes packed with food the St Nicholas's donkeys. He would leave small gifts in return.

Mince Pies Although now mostly vegetarian, in Victorian times, mince pies were made with beef and spices.

Tangerines The tradition of putting tangerines in stockings comes from the 12th century French nuns who left socks full of fruit, nuts and tangerines at the houses of the poor.

Noel The word derives from the French expression "les bonnes nouvelles" or "the good news".

Holly The holly in a wreath symbolises Christ's crown of thorns while the red berries are drops of his blood.

Banning Christmas In 1647, after the English Civil War, Oliver Cromwell banned festivities. The law wasn't lifted until 1660.

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WALSHAM LE WILLOWS COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOOD BANK UP DATE

We would rather there was no need for food banks at all but right now we are on the front-line of this cost of living emergency, we have no other option.

We, like all the other food banks, are bracing ourselves to meet what feels like "a tsunami of need." The Food Foundation published data on the 18th of October that shows the UK is experiencing alarming levels of food insecurity and it is UK wide, not just as some mistakenly believe, in the big cities and towns. Rural poverty is a hidden but very real emergency too.

We work with other organisations, churches and agencies to offer support for those in our community in need of emergency food. Those in need are identified by and referred to us by these organisations and local care professionals. To solve longer term issues, we work with other appropriate agencies. In September we gave out the highest amount since we opened during the Pandemic, with 927.98 kg going out. There have been lots of harvest festival donations from Walsham and Stanton school, which were just in time as our stocks were getting very low. We are always so overwhelmed by the generous community around us. Thank you all who have and do donate and those that plan to, we and those we help really appreciate your kindness and generosity.

We are starting preparations for Christmas food bank drops. If you are able to, please drop off something from the list below or something else Christmas related, to one of our donation points inside village churches, Walsham-le-Willows sports club, the Walled garden in Langham or at the village hall in Walsham during coffee shop on a Thursday. We get referrals for all sizes of family and dietary needs, so please any size boxes, vegan, gluten free, multi packets will all find a food bank box to go in and help make someone's Christmas better.

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A total of £690 was raised for the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

Thank you all for your support. Debbie Watson

Beginners Guitar
Ricky Wilkinson MBE ricky5844@aol.com

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Hi. My name is Ricky Wilkinson and I live in Westhorpe. Until lockdown I was teaching guitar in Guildhall Feoffment Primary School in Bury St Edmunds. I also run Phoenix Children's Folk Group based in Bury St Edmunds. Members learn to play and sing plugged in to our sound system for charities, festivals and various concerts.

In Folk Guitar children learn songs to sing accompanied by a variety of plucks and strums on guitar to enable them to perform solo or in a group. My Phoenix group performed all the music for Langham Church Carol Service last Christmas on 12th December 2021.

If you know a child who would like to learn to play guitar and sing so they can perform, please email me for further details. I can give private lessons in your home or if there are 6 or more wishing to learn I can use Westhorpe village hall at a suitable time after school which would be much cheaper than individual private lessons. I am DBS checked to teach guitar and run the Phoenix group. Parents are always welcome to stay and watch.

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On behalf of Safer Neighbourhood we wish you a safe and prosperous new year.



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Community Lunch 12.45 pm (second Monday of each month)

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Self Defence Class Tuesday 6.30pm

Contact: Andy at info@rbmdynamics.com

Pilates Wednesday 9.15am -10.15am

Contact: Lara at contact@larapepper.com

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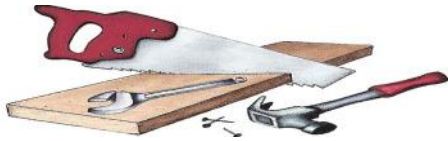
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Jill Newell

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The Trust's income is divided into three parts all for the benefit of the inhabitants of the parish:

1. **Westhorpe Parochial Church Council** for the upkeep and services for St Margaret's Church.
2. The **Education Foundation** which gives every child a book token at Christmas. Those at university, college or other forms of Further or Higher Education or apprenticeships are given grants each academic year towards tuition fees, travel expenses, books, computers and other essential equipment. Help is also offered with other expenses such as school uniform, books and possibly school trips for those in nursery, primary and secondary school as well as others taking educational courses.
3. The **Village Fund** provides family and personal grants for any kind of assistance, emergency payments, help with transport and heating costs, grants towards village events and many other things which need funding and are of benefit to the parish.

If you feel the Trust can help you or your family, an application form is available to download from the village website: www.westhorpe.onesuffolk.net or get in touch with the Secretary – details below. We also work with the Community Council Food Bank in Walsham.

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The Christmas tree culture has only been with us since the 19th Century but trees have played a significant part in festivals and rituals since pagan times when evergreen trees such as yew were decorated with gifts or offerings to various gods. It is believed that many early churches were built on ancient ceremonial sites that already had well established yew trees growing on them.

During Saturnalia the Romans fixed candles, small ornaments and masks of Bacchus (Roman god of wine) to pine trees. In Scandinavia trees were decorated with apples and cake to honour Odin. Fir trees were decorated in Germany as early as the 17th Century as part of the Christmas celebrations.

It was Prince Albert, husband of Queen Victoria, who really brought the concept of the Christmas tree to this country. Influenced by his German childhood, he included a decorated tree in the royal Christmas decorations of 1841, thus popularising the idea. The British public was fascinated and since then the popularity of Christmas trees has grown almost annually.

Holly

Holly is considered to be a lucky plant and to have healing powers but is still little used medicinally today. Traditionally it was planted near the house to protect the family living there. Druids decorated their dwellings with holly and berries. The greenness of holly during the bleak winter months signified the fact that the gods kept life going, and from the red berries came the hope of growth and harvest for the next seasons.

Interestingly, early Christians identified the prickles on the leaves with the crown of thorns, and the berries with blood of Christ – a reminder of His untimely death but not used in Easter celebrations!

Ivy

Grown by the Greeks and the Romans, ivy was regarded as the feminine plant to complement the masculinity of the holly. In Roman times it was used to honour the spirit of merry making but because it was associated with Bacchus and drunkenness, it was banned from Christian homes. More recently ivy growing against the wall of a house was said to guard against witches. It was also considered to have magical and healing powers.

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Mistletoe

Almost the one that got away! Regarded as a holy plant by the druids, this led to it being banned from inside Christian churches. In Norse mythology a bough of mistletoe was used to slay Balder, the god of peace. It was then entrusted to the goddess of love, and kissing under it became compulsory.

Many other countries moved away from using mistletoe at Christmas, but Britain has stuck firmly to this pagan tradition. Mistletoe was considered lucky with healing and protective powers. Hanging mistletoe in your doorway showed goodwill towards your visitors whilst kissing beneath it was a pledge of friendship.

Rosemary and Bay

These are two evergreen herbs associated with pagan winter festivals that were popular before Puritans banned Christmas celebrations in the 17th Century. Bay was used in honour of the spirit of merriment (like ivy) and rosemary was popular because it was the sign of remembrance.

Christmas Cacti

These are jungle plants that flower in the winter. In their first year, bought from the shop in bud, they will flower at Christmas. But be warned, commercial growers are very clever at achieving this. In following years, the plants are more likely to flower later in the spring term. There is little tradition about them except for their alleged time of flowering.

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Gislingham Village Hall	Thursdays	7:15 p.m.

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CHRISTMAS CRACKER JOKES

- What do elves like to post on Social Media? - Elfies
- What sort of athlete is warmest in winter? – A long jumper
- What do you call a snowman after winter? – A puddle
- What do snowmen like to do at the weekends? – Chill out
- Why are Christmas trees so bad at sewing? – Because they're always dropping their needles
- Where do unhealthy elves go to get fit? – An Elf Farm

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Social Events December 22 / January 2023

Sunday night Bingo 4th December 7pm start
Christmas Bingo & Raffle Sunday 18th December 7pm start

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Advent

O come, O come,
Emmanuel
And ransom captive
Israel
That mourns in lonely
exile here
Until the Son of God
appear
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O
Israel.



Advent prayers based on the Advent antiphons

These are prayers based on ancient traditional prayers, and well known in Latin within Christian communities by the eight century. They are drawn from a series of biblical texts that offer us ways and names by which and through which to think of the coming Christ. They are best known today in the Advent hymn 'O Come O come Emmanuel'.

You may like to pray them as part of your Advent spiritual discipline:

O Wisdom

Come to us, Wisdom from on high,
help us to order our lives with thoughtfulness.

Amen.

Ecclesiasticus 24.3; Wisdom 8.1

O Lord Adonai

Come to us, Lord and leader of your people.
Save us from our sins.

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Exodus 3.2; 24.12



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O Root of Jesse

Come to us, Root of Jesse
and be a sign.

Come quickly to save us.

Amen.

Based on Isaiah 11.10; 45.14; 52.15; Romans 15.12

O Key of David

Come, Key of David,
release us from all that imprisons us.

Amen.

Isaiah 22.22; 42.7

O Morning Star

Come, Morning Star,
shine your righteousness upon us
and lighten our darkness.

Amen.

Malachi 4.2

O King of the nations

Come, King of the nations,
Christ, our cornerstone,
come to save your people.

Amen.

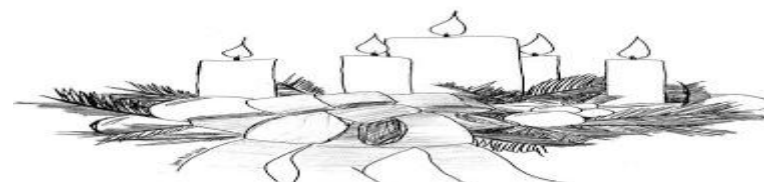
Isaiah 28.16

O Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
our King, our Teacher, our Hope and our Saviour.
Come and save us.

Amen.

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Isaiah 11: 1-10
Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19
Romans 15: 4-13
Matthew 3: 1-12

Sunday 11th

Isaiah 35: 1-10
Psalm 146: 4-10
James 5: 7-10
Matthew 11: 2-11

Sunday 18th

Isaiah 7: 10-16
Psalm 80: 1-8, 18-20
Romans 1: 1-7
Matthew 1: 18-end

Christmas Day

Isaiah 9:2-7
Psalm 96
Titus 2: 11-14
Luke 2: 1-14

Christmas Day

Isaiah 62: 6-end
Psalm 97
Titus 3: 4-7
Luke 2: 8-20

Christmas Day

Isaiah 52: 7-10
Psalm 98
Hebrews 1: 1-4
John 1:1-14

Readings for January

Sunday 1st

Numbers 6: 22-end
Psalm 8
Galatians 4: 4-7
Luke 2: 15-21

Sunday 8th

Isaiah 60: 1-6
Psalm 72: 10-15
Ephesians 3: 1-12
Matthew 2: 1-12

Sunday 15th

Isaiah 49: 1-7
Psalm 40: 1-12
1 Corinthians 1: 1-9
John 1: 29-42

Sunday 22nd

Isaiah 9: 1-4
Psalm 27: 1, 4-12
Corinthians 1: 10-18
Matthew 4: 12-23

Sunday 29th

Malachi 3: 1-5
Psalm 24: 7-end
Hebrews 2: 14-end
Luke 2: 22-40

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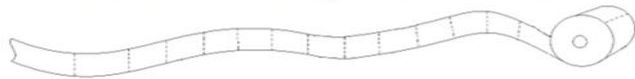
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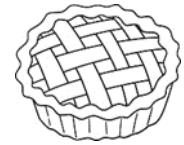
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50g icing sugar for dusting



METHOD

1. Cut the pastry in two. Wrap one half and set aside. Roll out the other half to line a 22cm loose bottomed tart tin leaving any excess hanging over the edge.
2. Scatter the marzipan over the base. Add the mincemeat and top with the cranberries.
3. Roll out the remaining pastry to the thickness of a £1 coin. Cut into 1.5cm strips. Weave the pastry strips over the pie to create a lattice pressing down the edges to seal with the base. Trim off the excess pastry.
4. Chill for 20 mins and heat over to 180C/Fan160C/Gas 4. Bake for 45 minutes until golden. Cool for 15 mins in the tin, transfer to a plate and dust with icing sugar.

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Date	Time	Service details
December 4 th	11am	Holy Communion
11 th	11am	Morning worship with Thetford URC
18 th	11am	Christmas carols and stories - All ages welcome (followed by hot chocolate and mince pies)
25 th	10-10.40am	Christmas Day family service
January 1st		No service
8 th	11am	Morning worship
15 th	11am	Holy Communion – Service of Reaffirmation
22 nd	11am	Morning worship
29 th	11am	United service for Candlemas at St Margaret's – no service at URC
February 5 th	11am	Holy Communion

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Benefice Services December 2022

4th December	2nd Sunday of Advent	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Finningham
11th December	3rd Sunday of Advent	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Westhorpe
11.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
2.30pm	Carol Service	Langham
13th December	Tuesday	
7.00pm	Compline	Walsham
18th December	4th Sunday of Advent	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
3.00pm	Carol Service/Christingle	Finningham
6.00pm	Carol Service	Walsham
20th December	Tuesday	
7.00pm	Carol Service	Wattisfield
22nd December	Thursday	
6.00pm	Carol Service	Westhorpe
24th December	Christmas Eve	
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Walsham
3.30pm	Crib Service	Walsham
5.00pm	Carol Service	Badwell Ash
11.15pm	Christmas Eve Mass	Walsham

Benefice Services December 2022 / January 2023

25th December	Christmas Day	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Badwell Ash
9.30am	Family Communion	Finningham
11.00am	Family Communion	Walsham
1st January	2nd of Christmas/New Years Day	
11.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
8th January	Epiphany	
11.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
15th January	2nd Sunday of Epiphany	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
9.30am	Holy Communion	Westhorpe
11.00am	Re-Affirmation Service	Wattisfield URC
22nd January	3rd Sunday of Epiphany	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
9.30am	Family Service	Badwell Ash
11.00am	Holy Communion	Finningham
29th January	Candlemas	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Wattisfield
3.00pm	Evensong	Westhorpe

Benefice Services February 2023

5th February	3rd Sunday before Lent	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Walsham
9.30am	Holy Communion	Finningham
11.00am	Songs of Praise	Walsham



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Saturday 7th January: Concert 7.30pm, no tickets, but a retiring collection.*

Sunday 8th January: Sung Eucharist 11.00am

Gislingham CE Primary School



Additional Community Governor

Gislingham CE Primary School is seeking an additional Community Governor to join our School Governance Committee. The position is for one year or longer and full training is provided.

The committee works with Mr Richard Benstock the Headteacher to set the vision, ethos, and strategic direction of the school. The committee supports and at the same time challenges the headteacher to ensure that the highest standard of education is delivered to the pupils and the funding the school receives is spent in the most effective way. The committee works to ensure the school achieves its vision of providing a safe, inclusive, challenging and stimulating learning environment where everyone is valued, and children thrive.

We have two meetings per term but visit the school for monitoring areas such as safeguarding, the curriculum, health and safety. We welcome people from all backgrounds and experience.

If you feel you could spare some time and help us support and develop our school community further, please contact Mr Richard Benstock on 01379 783283 or gislingham@tilian.org

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