

# North Tuddenham *The Mardle*



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*A Parish Newsletter*

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# St. Mary the Virgin—Church Notice Board

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## JUNE 2020 CHURCH SERVICES

**Public Services will not be held until further notice.**

**However**, all of you with access to the Internet, do please join a service being held at 9.00—9.30 am each Friday morning, specifically with St. Mary's and North Tuddenham parishioners in

mind <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83513925378?pwd=QnZEK0lQTmF3ZEQycTJQb21LV1JQUT09>

**OR for 10.00 a.m. Sunday Service for Benefice**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83401400096?pwd=REJTTmIPUHLveHhSbmhBQURucHJnZz09>

**NOTE TO ALL FLORISTS:** Whilst St. Mary's has restrictions placed upon it due to the Corona virus, may we leave the decision as to putting flowers into the church entirely at your discretion.

**Access to Mary's Church** By prior arrangement only

with churchwarden Jools Smith 07719 341282



## Nativity of Saint John the

### Baptist—24th June

Christians have long interpreted the life of John the Baptist as a preparation for the coming of Jesus Christ. And the circumstances of his birth, as recorded in the New Testament, are miraculous. John's pivotal place in the gospel is seen in the emphasis Luke gives to the announcement of his birth and the event itself, both set in prominent parallel to the same event in the life of Jesus.

The sole biblical account of the birth of John the Baptist comes from the Gospel of Luke. John's parents, Zechariah or *Zachary* — a Jewish priest — and Elizabeth, were without children and both were beyond the age of child-bearing. During Zechariah's rotation to serve in the Temple in Jerusalem, he was chosen by lot to offer incense at the Golden Altar in the Holy Place. The Archangel Gabriel appeared to him and announced that he and his wife would give birth to a child, and that they should name him John, a name which was unfamiliar in Zechariah and Elizabeth's families. However Acts 4:6 refers to a "John" among the high priests who challenged the apostles' preaching after Pentecost, so the name was not unknown within the wider priestly family.

However, because Zechariah did not believe the message of Gabriel, he was rendered speechless until the time of John's birth. At that time, his relatives wanted to name the child after his father, and Zechariah wrote, "*His name is John*", whereupon he recovered his ability to speak (Luke 1:5–25; 1:57–66). Following Zechariah's obedience to the command of God, he was given the gift of prophecy, and foretold the future ministry of Jesus this prophecy forming the text of the Benedictus canticle.

## **FORTHCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS**

**Sadly, all events on hold pending clarification from the Government concerning the Covid-19 crisis**

***At some point in the future we intend to continue with our events  
Dann's Farm Open Day; Battle of Britain Organ Concert***

**Some things to look forward to!**

**VILLAGE HALL EVENTS** Due to the Coronavirus epidemic, Government restrictions on public gatherings necessitate temporary cancellation of Village Hall events. Please contact your organiser for any of the usual clubs for further information.

**David Riches of The Gardeners wishes all gardening members a successful season, contact him on 01603 880458**

***Sincere thanks to Christine Mobbs for Village Hall information***

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## **R H DUFFIELD**

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**Drains Unblocked**

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## **Village & Church News**

### **Personal Reflection:**

‘You don’t need a reason to help people.

One kind word can change somebody’s entire day.

Be somebody who makes everybody feel like somebody.’

C.B

### **St Marys Church Tower Update**

- Comprehensive Specification document complete
- Adverts for tenders published
- Potential contractors visiting church
- Faculty to diocese for tower repairs completed and approved in principle
- Application for emergency funding from Historic England completed (40 questions )
- National Lottery Heritage Fund application on hold until October. Covid-19 diversion of funds
- Insurers contacted again
- Diocese concerned about dangers approaching unstable tower. Insurers and Structural Engineer contacted. Assured no immediate danger if people keep outside taped barrier and obey warning signs.
- Public Notices informing people what we intend to do, finances permitting, will be posted around the village and displayed on the website very soon.

***We are now in a position to invite contractors to tender for the repairs to the tower based on the Specification document. Such is the seriousness of the instability of the tower that Historic England has stepped in to potentially offer some money to launch the repairs.***

***Time is of the essence .***

***With sufficient money we could start repairs in October***

# **North Tuddenham Parish Council**

Dear Residents

Just as way of a quick update on what's happened in Parish Council world this last month, we have successfully held two extraordinary parish council meetings as well as the scheduled May meeting, all conducted virtually via 'Zoom' meeting platform! We even had some parishioners in attendance too which was great and we very much hope that if we have to continue to meet like this in the coming months, then more will join us for our July meeting. Extraordinary times, extraordinary measures! North Tuddenham Parish Councillors are pleased to be continuing to support those residents in the village that need help with shopping via our home delivery stalwarts, *The Lodge Shop* and *Dann's Farm* and our thanks go out to those concerned, including all our other faithful volunteers.

If anyone requires any help and assistance over the next few weeks in relation to accessing this support, please do email me on [clerk.northtuddenham@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.northtuddenham@gmail.com) or for further updates, please check out our website which is kept up to date with most issues as well as providing copies of Minutes and Agendas for those who were unable to attend the Zoom meetings.

We wish you all well and very much look forward to more positive days ahead.

Stay safe.

Best wishes

Vicky Turner

Clerk to North Tuddenham Parish Council

## **Addendum from Norfolk County Council**

"I'm really delighted to tell you we have today received approval from the Department for Transport (DfT) for our Strategic Outline Business Case for the **Norwich Western Link**.

This means the project has conditional entry into DfT's 'Large Local Majors' project funding programme. As well as providing more than £1 million of development funding for the project in the 2020/21 financial year, today's announcement gives us the green light to proceed to the next stage of the national process in the shape of submitting a more detailed business case, scheduled for later this year."

*Cllr Martin Wilby—Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure*

# **The Acorn Hut Farm Shop & Plant Nursery**

**Watercress Lane, Mattishall NR20 3RJ**

**Open Wednesday to Saturday 10am – 4pm, Sunday 10am – 2pm**

***Tel: 07885 666868 Email: theacornhutfarmshop@gmail.com***

We stock locally sourced artisan products from around Norfolk, fresh fruit & vegetables home grown & from local suppliers. We have a range of frozen fish, meats and joints beef, lamb & pork, sausages, bacon & burgers.

Fresh meat orders taken weekly, along with fresh bread.

Summer is here! We have a good selection of filled hanging baskets, patio & basket plants, summer bedding, shrubs, ornamental trees, compost & grow bags.

***Follow us on Facebook – The Acorn Hut Farm Shop & Plant Nursery  
or Two Oaks Plant Supply for updates, events &  
late-night openings.***

# **T.E.S.**

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# June Recipe

## Creamy Strawberry Semifreddo

### Ingredients

Whole or whipping cream 300 ml

Greek yogurt 125 grams

1/2 teaspoon vanilla

### **STRAWBERRY SAUCE**

Caster sugar 85 grams

Fresh strawberries, chopped 300 grams

1 teaspoon lemon juice

### **STRAWBERRY SAUCE TOPPING**

Fresh strawberries chopped 200 grams

2 tablespoons icing sugar

1 teaspoon lemon juice

### Method

Line an 8 x 4 inch loaf tin with cling film or use a silicone loaf tin

### **STRAWBERRY SAUCE**

In a small pan add strawberries, sugar and lemon juice bring to a boil, squishing with a potato masher, cook 3-5 minutes stirring constantly, remove to a clean bowl and let cool and then refrigerate until cold (or place in the freezer for 10 minutes).

### **SEMIFREDDO**

Meanwhile in a medium bowl whip the cream until stiff, fold in yogurt and vanilla then gently fold in cold strawberry sauce. Pour into loaf tin, cover with cling film and allow to freeze for at least 2 hours.

### **STRAWBERRY SAUCE TOPPING**

In a blender add cut up strawberries, lemon juice and blend until smooth. Pour into a small pan add sugar and cook on low for approximately 5 minutes or until thickened. Let cool and serve if desired over semifreddo. Enjoy! Maybe with some Wimbledon repeats !!

## **Additional church news**

Tom Cross, our Pastoral Assistant and Lay Reader is leaving us after 12 years for 'pastures' new. (Sorry about the pun!).

I asked him for his thoughts.....

"I was licenced as a lay minister in 2008 and, almost immediately, Gordon Kegg, the then incumbent, asked me to look after North Tuddenham under his authority. There are so many fond memories of St Mary's.

I used to enjoy the Songs of Praise, the excellent working relationship I had with Geoffrey Dann and getting used to his quirky sense of humour. It's been good to see the congregation grow during my time there.

I worked for Norwich Union for 35 years, have two married children, enjoy visiting exotic foreign locations, love history and I make models.

I am very keen on music, especially heavy and progressive rock, collect vinyl and go to gigs when that is possible.

I enjoy watching Norwich City FC most of the time!

My main hobby is writing. As well as my early years autobiography and an account of my travels on six continents, I have written eight books in a science fiction series. I am currently writing the ninth one - an ideal pastime in lockdown."

"My most precious memory is when, for the only time in my life, I actually heard God's audible voice. That was when I was in the churchyard at St Mary's. "

Good luck, Tom!

## **Over the Centuries**

### **Chapter 6. The Saxons Part 1**

The first Saxons to arrive on what was to become English soil were , it seems, raiders. However, the prospect of available land persuaded some to settle here. Possibly the early settlers occupied abandoned dwellings. Soon, during the 5th and 6th centuries , certainly by the 7th, settlements of their native dwellings 'Grubenhäuser' appeared. Today they are commonly referred to as 'Grub Huts'.

I found early (Pagan) Saxon pot sherds on land north of Low Road at the foot of Hockering Hill. In the same field at a spot which during the 7th and 8th centuries , may have been the site of a spring, I discovered three sherds of Middle Saxon Ipswich Ware. It would have been produced during these centuries. There was no agricultural spread of either Early or Middle Saxon pottery.

Early Middle and Late Saxon pottery can be found in the vicinity of the church. Until quite recently the hills and halbours of an early settlement existed north of the present church . The land has since been levelled but I have Early Middle and Late Saxon and Roman pottery from this site. Finds included part of a 8th century silver brooch, now in the Castle Museum, Norwich. Middle and Late Saxon artefacts can be found as far west of this site as Slough Lane. At least one late Saxon dwelling appears to have stood on the field west of Mattishall Lane. What appeared to be the midden of this dwelling could be seen in the ploughed soil. I found nothing to suggest occupation extended north of Low Road.

Early churches were often built close to a primary manor house, in this instance Faldgate Manor House probably stood in the grounds of the last house to be occupied by a Rector.

However, I have seen nothing to suggest a church existed in North Tuddenham before 1086AD.

**Next month The Saxons Part 2**

# **Brainteasers** **May's Solutions**



## **Riddle No.1:**

What does man love more than life, hate more than death or mortal strife; that which contented men desire; the poor have, the rich require; the miser spends, the spendthrift saves, and all men carry to their graves?

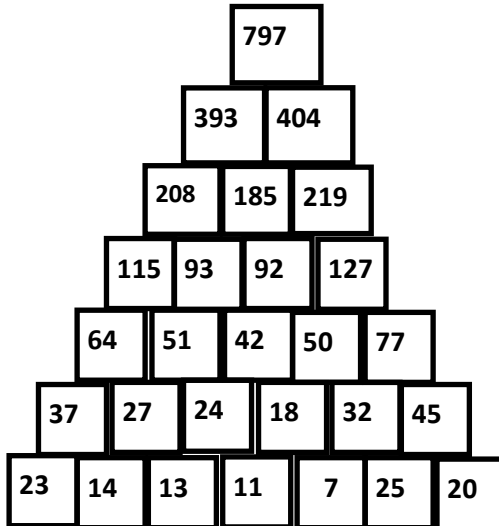
**NOTHING**

**Riddle No.2:** What is  $\frac{3}{7}$  chicken,  $\frac{2}{3}$  cat and  $\frac{2}{4}$  goat? **CHI-CA-GO**

**Riddle No.3:** The day before yesterday I was 21, and next year I will be 24.  
 When is my birthday? **Yesterday, 31st December**

## **Word ladders**

<b>ONLY</b>	<b>SWAN</b>	<b>FLIP</b>	<b>FOUL</b>
<b>OILY</b>	<b>SEAN</b>	<b>FLAP</b>	<b>FOIL</b>
<b>WILY</b>	<b>BEAN</b>	<b>FLAT</b>	<b>FAIL</b>
<b>WIRY</b>	<b>BEAR</b>	<b>FEAT</b>	<b>FAIR</b>
	<b>BEER</b>	<b>BEAT</b>	<b>HAIR</b>
<b>WIRE</b>	<b>VEER</b>	<b>BEAD</b>	<b>HEIR</b>



# BRAINTEASERS FOR JUNE

## WHO ARE THESE CELEBRITIES?



Complete the grid so that each row and column contains 5 0s and 5 1s. The same number cannot appear in more than 2 consecutive squares in any row or column. In the finished puzzle, each row must have a different sequence of 0s and 1s to any other row, and likewise for each column

	1	1					1		
	1	1						0	0
		1	1						
									0
					1		0		
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1				0					
	0					0			1
				0			1		0

## MORE PUZZLES for 'LOCKDOWN'

### What are the titles of these 4 songs?

First letter of words in opening lines given below:

IFIIMF

IFIIMT

TLIAAM

ASTFG

*Clue: A hit twice over, first time in the 60s*

BWIMYTWPU

ISOTFYWAFTC

IWSI

TWSGO

*Clue: Trio wrote it, but famously sung by a duet*

IRWRWY

MASHSMF

HHASS

HAOGCAAPOMO

BTBKIEG

WDATCTCR

*Clue: Good to dance to in the 70s*

HHH

ITAIT

JNIYCHM

ITAAH

*Clue: Song probably more famous for guitar solo*

## **Some motivational thoughts at this difficult time**

*Written by Connie Easter age 12*

**“Tough times never last but tough people do.”**

**“We must embrace pain and burn it as a fuel for our journey.”**

**“You have within you right now, everything you need to deal with whatever the world can throw at you.”**

**“The world has slowed so you can rediscover yourself.”**

**“What I love most about quarantine is the person I’m spending it with.”**

**“The key to success is to focus on goals not obstacles.”**