# North Tuddenham Lang Mardle



Summer Solstice—June 21st



A Parish Newsletter

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# St. Mary the Virgin—Church Notice Board

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# June 2021 CHURCH SERVICES

After consultation with church Architect, Ruth Blackman, it has been decided that sadly NO SERVICES will be held within St Mary's church until further notice for safety reasons.

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://tinyurl.com/matv-weekdays

<u>OR</u> for 10.00 a.m. Sunday Service held for Benefice

https://tinyurl.com/matv-sundays

ALL FLORISTS: it is unlikely that the church will be open in any form until after all building works are under way, so NO flowers. Be in touch when restarting. Thank you. NO ACCESS to St. Mary's Church without specific permission

# Village & Church News

#### **Church Tower**

The work on the tower is running about two weeks behind schedule at the moment due to the abominable weather we have been experiencing in May and the shortage of scaffolding. Everyone's been constructing or repairing it seems! When you see from the photos the amount of scaffolding already in place it's not surprising!





#### Village

The Community Association is organising a **Scarecrow Festival 11<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup> July**. Entry is free. There will be prizes for different categories. There will also be a children's fancy dress competition at **The Lodge on 18<sup>th</sup> July** presentation of prizes and burgers, hotdogs etc in the beer garden.

Further details will be published shortly on the village Facebook page and notice boards. Entry forms and tickets for food will be available in the near future at The Lodge shop

Our brief history of the Reverend Robert Barry is by kind permission of its author Mr Ray Taylor. For more info. go to <u>www.raytaylor.com</u> Should you have any additional information, anecdotal or photographic, Ray would love to hear from you. raytaylor.com@talktalk.net

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#### **Dear Residents**

Hope this finds you all well and by the time this goes to print, maybe we will be enjoying a little bit more sunshine!

For the first time since taking over the clerking role from dear Pat Baldwin, I attended my first meeting in-person with ClIrs at the end of May. Equipped with masks and anti-bacterial, the Annual Meeting went well with all annual business attended to; Jonathan Stapleton was re-elected as our wonderful Chairman and we are looking forward to him leading us through the next Council year. We are likewise thrilled to announce that Andrew Harding was voted as our new Vice-Chairman, filling the opening left after the departure of Mike Smith who left last year to devote more of his much-needed attention to the St Mary's Tower project. We are, however, still a 'man/woman down'! Please do get in touch if you are interested in finding out more about the vacancy on our Council – we would love to make sure the Parish is fully-represented.

Finally, more good news; the new SAM2 sign purchase has been agreed as part of the Norfolk County Council Parish Partnership Fund. We are currently in the process of agreeing final positioning for the speed awareness device on Main Road with Highways, and are very hopeful that use of the sign will dramatically impact the severity of speeding on this road.

Our next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm at the Village Hall. All Welcome!

#### Vicky Turner BA (Hons) MA

#### **Clerk to North Tuddenham Parish Council**

PS

"A grateful thanks to the kind mystery benefactor who has installed a supply of dog-poo bags - it seems to be working - we don't know who you are but Thank You!!"

## June Recipe Chicken Parmigiana

#### **Ingredients**

#### Main

2 large chicken breasts
50g plain flour
1 egg , beaten
75g fresh breadcrumbs
15g Parmesan, finely grated
plus extra to serve
4 tab sp oil
125g mozzarella ball, cut into slices



For the sauce

2 tab sp oil4 finely chopped garlic clovesPinch of caster sugarSplash of red wine vinegar2 cans of chopped tomatoes1 tea sp oregano

#### <u>Method</u>

Cut the breasts in half and bash with a rolling pin so they are all the same thickness. Put the flour in one dish with a little salt, the egg in another, then the breadcrumbs and Parmesan in a third dish.

Coat the chicken in flour, then egg then the crumb mix. Place on plate. To make the sauce, heat the oil in pan and sizzle the garlic. Sprinkle the sugar, add the vinegar then the tomatoes. Finally, add the oregano, season and simmer for 10 minutes.

In another pan, heat the oil then pan fry the chicken for 3 minutes on each side until crisp. Place on baking tray and cover with a little sauce and mozzarella and grill for 2 minutes. Cook off some spaghetti then toss with remaining sauce. Place chicken on top. Sprinkle with a little grated Parmesan and serve with green salad.

#### **Brainteasers**

May's Answers

- 1. 'HAD LEAP TO MAJESTY' = JADE , AMETHYST and OPAL
- 2. FAST FOOD CHAIN BIRD BATH TOWEL PATH WAY FOOT BROAD BEAN BAG FALSE DAWN CHORUS GRAVY BOAT RACE

**3.** The alphabet is written here but some letters are missing. Arrange the missing letters to give a word. **WHISTLE** 

**4.** A man walks east for 4 miles. Then south for 3 miles. Then west for 2 miles. Then north for 1 mile. Then west for 2 miles. In which direction and for how far should he walk to return to his starting point? **2 miles N** 

2. Heatwave

#### MUSIC QUIZ—Answers

- 1. Crocodile Rock
- 3. Margarita Time
- 5. Whisky in the Jar
- 7. Man I Feel Like a Woman!
- 9. Addicted to Love

- 4.Summer of 696. Streets of London
- 8. Child of Mine
- 10. Islands in the Stream

#### June's teasers







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#### PART 3/9 North Tuddenham's forgotten benefactor: Rev Robert Barry 1820-1904

#### Back to our Rev Robert:-

On reaching schooling age Robert followed his elder brother John to the Anglican Shrewsbury School in Shropshire as a boarder, and left in 1838. An earlier pupil of the school was Charles Darwin the English naturalist and geologist best known for his contributions to the evolutionary theory. The next record shows Robert Barry being admitted to St John's College Cambridge on 25th January 1844 at the age of 24. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts in 1848 and his Masters in 1851.

Historically it was traditional in wealthy families for the first son to be favoured to inherit the family fortune, the second son often went into the church or military. In the Barry's case however both brothers chose the church. It is not known why; maybe their father was well aware of the pressures of his trade and that it was a very competitive market and wanted a more family orientated life for his children.

Robert was ordained on the 19th December 1847 at St Pauls Cathedral by the Right Honourable and Right Reverend Charles James, Lord Bishop of London. He was first appointed curate at Whatton near Bingham, Nottinghamshire and then St Pancras London where he would remain for two years before being appointed to the Rectory at Hinderwell, Yorkshire where he remained for just over a year, moving from there to North Tuddenham. The Rev Barry married Mary Ann Page on the 18th June 1850 at Camberwell London whilst he was Rector of Hinderwell. Mary was the eldest daughter of Robert Page a ship owner and merchant of Peckham Rye, London. Rev Barry and Mary did not have children.

At North Tuddenham he held the living from 1851 till his death on 15th August 1904. With his wife and servants he lived at the old parsonage house until he built the new rectory. Robert's father generously supported his son financially in this project. It is to be noted that the railway came to Dereham in 1847 opening the line from Wymondham, and the assumption is made that this is how the Barry's travelled to their new home in this remote rural Norfolk countryside.



#### <u>A sketch of the old parsonage house at North Tuddenham drawn</u> in the days of William Cowper.

#### PART 4/9 North Tuddenham's forgotten benefactor: Rev Robert Barry 1820-1904

The old parsonage was demolished to make way for Rev Robert Barry's new premises. It appeared to be closer to St Mary's church than the new building and looked as if it was built from wattle and daub. This sketch (see 4/8) was drawn before the roof of St Mary's church was raised; another building project undertaken by Barry. The poet William Cowper and his companion Mary Unwin stayed at the Old Rectory at North Tuddenham in 1795. The couple had moved to Norfolk on the recommendation of Rev Johnny Johnson of Yaxham. It was hoped that the Norfolk air might alleviate Cowper's depression and also help Mary's ailing health. They left Buckinghamshire on July 28th and arrived in Norfolk three days later. The Old Rectory was available to them because the rector, Thomas Shelford, had died in June. After leaving the Old Rectory, Cowper and Mary moved to a number of other locations in the county including: Dunham Lodge near Mundesley and finally settling in Dereham, where Mary died in Swaffham 1796 and then Cowper in 1800. They were both buried in the St Edmunds Chapel (now called the Cowper Chapel) in St Nicholas Church situated in the heart of the town. The house in the market place where they had lived was demolished and a church built in its place designed by architect Edward Boardman, aptly now called 'Cowper Memorial Congregational Church', which is still there today The current North Tuddenham rectory has succeeded the one in which Cowper stayed.

In 1852 Rev Robert Barry, generously supported financially in this project by his father, built the new rectory at North Tuddenham; the handsome rectory house



which is in the Elizabethan style. It's prime purpose to be the new home of Barry and his wife. The Coach House was built the following year in 1853.

# To Hug or not to Hug?

Wow, for so long we were not allowed to hug, restricting our connections and relationships with fellow people.

But now that has all changed. We can hug. We can show love and a connection with people again.

Now, what do we get from hugging? Hugging can make an individual feel a sense of comfort and support when they are down or alone.

Hugging makes us feel love and appreciation for the one that cares for us.

So, be safe but feel grateful to be able to hug.

Hug that person if they are down or if they are just in need of it. You never know you could change someone's whole life.

And finally hugging someone is free the same as kindness. So, make use of it!



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**Reflection:** as a change to traditional bible quote, here are these words of a Bob Marley song I heard this morning as I thought about my fellow churchwarden as she faces her greatest ever health challenge in the months ahead:

#### "Don't worry about a thing.

#### Cause everything's gonna be all right."

J.S.



#### Jonah's Prayer

I cried to God, who answered me, From the great fish I cried. The huge waves would have swallowed me, And tossed me with the tide. Then prayed 1: Lord, 1 am cast out From your most holy sight. Yet I will serve you once again, And look towards the light. The seaweed wrapped around my head -I sank so very low; But you have brought me up again, And in your ways I'll go.

J.S.

# Editors page

#### **Eurovision Song Contest**

For many years now my wife and I have sat down in front of the TV screen on a Saturday evening in May, at 8 o'clock precisely, to watch the Eurovision Song Contest. Sometimes we've even invited friends around for a Euro Party. While accepting that most songs are typical of the Eurovision genre, we yearn to see the UK win again and rekindle the efforts of Katrina and the Waves, Lulu or Sandie Shaw.

We used to laugh at little Norway receiving 'nul points' and then the their heavy metal band, Lordi, won it wearing outrageous costumes.

With voting patterns seemingly 'rigged' between neighbouring countries, visual appearances gaining as many, if not more, votes than the song in recent years and an apparent bias against the UK, maybe I'm being a sore loser especially as the UK has again scored 'nul points' and finished in last place.

Is it the singers or the songs? Why do we have such good songs the rest of the year, yet fare so badly one night in Europe?

Should we be paying a lump sum every year to guarantee being in the final just to finish last?

After a grumpy Sunday morning, I put my headphones on and tune in to 'Dark Side of the Moon' and everything returns to normal, until next year that is!

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# SUMMER SOLSTICE

The summer solstice, also known as estival solstice or midsummer, occurs when one of the Earth's poles has its maximum tilt toward the Sun. The term is derived from Latin and means 'the sun stands still. It is often thought a day long event, but in fact represents a single moment in time when the sun is at northernmost point from the earth's equator during a single year.

It happens twice yearly, once in each hemisphere (Northern and Southern). For that hemisphere, the summer solstice is when the Sun reaches its highest position in the sky and is the day with the longest period of daylight. Within the Arctic circle (for the northern hemisphere) or Antarctic circle (for the southern hemisphere), there is continuous daylight around the summer solstice. On the summer solstice, Earth's maximum axial tilt toward the Sun is 23.44°. Likewise, the Suns's declination from the celestial equator is 23.44°.

The summer solstice occurs during summer; this is the June solstice in the Northern Hemisphere and the December solstice in the Southern Hemisphere. Depending on the shift of the calendar, the summer solstice occurs sometime between June 20 and June 22 in the Northern Hemisphere and between December 20 and December 23 in the Southern Hemisphere. The same dates in the opposite hemisphere are referred to as the winter solstice.

In Northern Europe, it's often referred to as Midsummer, while some Christian churches recognize the summer solstice as St. John's Day to commemorate the birth of John the Baptist.

The summer solstice can be a magical event to experience, with many people believing it connects us with our ancestors and the land. It is also the day that the Earth's North pole is tilted closest to the sun, resulting in the longest day of the year in terms of daylight hours for those living in the northern hemisphere. Despite being the longest day of the year, the summer solstice doesn't actually have the earliest sunrise of the year. Generally, the earliest sunrises of the year occur before the summer solstice.

# JUNE 2021 VILLAGE EVENTS

SUNFLOWER COMPETITION until 30th August Entry forms: online/Danns Shop/Lodge Shop

FURTHER EVENTS, HOPEFULLY JULY ONWARD subject to Govt. restrictions

June 2021 all held @ Village Hall unless otherwise stated

- 14th <u>Mid-Norfolk Guild of Spinners & Weavers</u> 7.00—9.00p.m.
- 19th Bingo 7.30p.m. start Contact Arthur Mobbs 01362 637410
- 23rd <u>Windmill Quilters</u> 10.00-3.00 Contact Jenny Smith 01362 422051
- 24th <u>The Gardeners</u> 7.30 p.m. WELCOME BACK! £1–50 including refreshments. D. Riches 01603 880458 —all members, old and new will be warmly welcomed,

29th Windmill Quilters 7.00 p.m. Contact Jenny Smith

For further information of your club start date, please contact your organiser.

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