

North Tuddenham The Mardle



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A Parish Newsletter

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October 2020 CHURCH SERVICES

Church Services are starting to be held: one service per parish, per month/possibly even a Harvest Festival; Check with Church Office or Churchwarden

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 -

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OR for 10.00 a.m. Sunday Service for Benefice

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NOTE TO ALL FLORISTS: Whilst St. Mary's still has restrictions placed upon it, and with building works about to commence we will only place a limited number of flowers within the church when required.

Access to St Mary's Church is limited at present

Personal Reflection: –Jeremiah 17:14 NIV

Heal me, LORD, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved,
for you are the one I praise. C.B.

Village & Church News

Pandemic

Covid-19 virus continues to dominate our daily lives. I hope none of you have lost friends or relatives because of it. Whilst not wishing to blame anyone for this or the way it has been handled, we, as individuals all have a choice to make. To keep within neighbourhood bubbles; to socially distance when meeting others; to know who you are mixing with and to take no risks. Stay safe.

St Marys Church Tower Update

- Allchurches Trust have kindly awarded us £10,000 towards the Restoration Fund. We await news from National Churches Trust towards the end of October. Meanwhile we are looking at doing what we can with the money already offered and how and where we could bridge the gap in funding terms.
- **Xmas Lottery** I'm going to take a punt on a Xmas Lottery for the village even though the response has been lukewarm. I'm sure this is not apathy just forgetfulness. Hope to have tickets mid October. 200 tickets @£5 each . Two prizes £100 & £50 . Proceeds to the church. Tickets available from Arthur Mobbs , Andrew Harding, Vikki at the Lodge and myself. Draw will be held on 20th December 2020
- **The flag competition** was won by Esme Oken. See Facebook for details
- **Reminder –if you'd be happy to receive the Mardle electronically please let the editor know. T.Y.**

Editor's Message

I am pleased to let everyone know that my wife, Jools, has been discharged from hospital after 4 weeks, of which 3 were in Intensive Care.

She is weak and will need close attention and plenty of nourishment to build up her strength again.

She has been taken aback by the number of goodwill messages. "I didn't realise so many people cared."

That's what community spirit is all about . T.Y.

North Tuddenham Parish Council

Hello All

Hope you are all well.

Just a quick note to bring you up to date on the latest news from under the Parish Council umbrella!

Our last meeting held on 8th September was productive and positive; the Minutes are now available on-line for anyone wishing to read in more detail.

Firstly, as you are all doubtless aware, our Councillors and Mike Smith, are working hard with Norfolk County Council and Highways England to ensure planned updates to the A47 will impact as positively as possible on North Tuddenham. Amongst our aims and objectives are the wish to reduce speed limits through the village, particularly on the Main Road, and to lobby for a bus service to Hockering and through to Norwich. The former is a going to be a considerable battle because Traffic Management edicts call for a very specific set of parameters to justify speed reductions, not to mention the additional burden of economic constraints on Local Authorities who struggle to commit the finance from their already stretched budgets. In order that we can build as strong a case as possible, Councillors have asked that we request any residents who have experienced any 'near misses', or minor accidents on the 50-60mph road, to report these to me on clerk.norhtuddenham@gmail.com. **Any** evidence we can elicit will be passed on to Highways and Bill Borrett, our NCC representative, who is in support of our request. We also aim to contact 'The Safer Neighbourhood Team' at Dereham Police who we are hoping might be able to facilitate some help.

We very much hope to welcome more members of the community to our next meeting on Tuesday 10th November 2020 at 7.30pm – please do email me for a zoom invitation link.

With all best wishes for a safe and warm October.

Vicky

North Tuddenham Parish Clerk

October Recipe

Blackberry Pound Cake

Ingredients

For the sponge :

250g unsalted butter, softened
425g golden caster sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract or paste
5 eggs
180ml whole milk
340g plain flour, plus 1 extra tab spoon for dusting
2 teasp baking powder
Pinch of salt
225g blackberries

For the topping :

350g thick Greek yoghurt
1 tab spoon runny honey
100g blackberries

Method

Heat the oven to gas mark 4, 180 degrees C

Place butter, sugar, vanilla in a mixer & beat for 3 mins. Turning speed to low, add eggs and flour alternately.

Then add milk, baking powder & salt.

Place blackberries in bag with extra table spoon flour & give a good shake. Fold gently into cake mix. Pour the mix into 9 inch greased and lined cake tin, then bake for 50-60 mins. until golden brown.

Turn onto wire rack & leave to cool completely (1-2 hours)

To make the topping , mix the yoghurt & honey in a bowl and spread over the top of the cake.

Then decorate with blackberries.

J.P.

Mmmm

Over the Centuries

After the Plague Was Over

It is difficult to conclude anything other than that North Tuddenham's population suffered badly from the Black Death. Much seems to end at about mid fourteenth century.

Apparent new settlements developed between 1350 and 1400 ad but seem to have been deserted before any distinctive C15 sherds were scattered on site; also, no early 14C pottery was taken to these later settlements. Did these people suspect that the plague germ could be present in pottery in use during the plague?!

A field on the north side of Dirty Lane and west of Elsing Road did yield a hint of C15 agricultural use. Cross to the east side of Elsing Road and it is back to pre-plague years. Possibly occupation continued on moated islands still; occupied today, often as farmhouses.

The Old Rectory is one dwelling standing on land previously enclosed by a moat. I have seen a plan drawn up showing building plots along both sides of the rectory drive. The artist's name is not given. It may have been a plan for a later development or one now extinct. Later, under good conditions, I saw that the Rectory Drive cut through an old building platform. Therefore, any buildings along the Rectory Drive would appear to predate the current drive and the moat crossing is not the original crossing.

A single sherd of transitional pottery from the area of overgrown land west of the Rectory House is slim evidence of occupation of the site during the late C15 or early C16.

Cuthbert Norris gave an acre and a half of land to the poor of the parish (1603AD) and recorded 152 communicants.

John Smith, Rector, gave a house for the Clerk of the parish (1670 - 1687) I believe the C17 house north of the church to be the said house.

NB The term clerk refers to a person who carries out an absent Rector's duties, i.e. a vicar.

Brainteasers

1. **September's Song Titles**
2. 'I only want to be with you'
3. 'God only knows'
4. 'Knowing me knowing you'
5. 'Make me a channel of thy peace'
6. 'Green green grass of home'

Did you know?

1. Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.
2. Peanuts are one of the ingredients of dynamite.
3. Almonds are members of the peach family.
4. An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.
5. A dragonfly has a lifespan of 24 hours.
6. It's impossible to sneeze with your eyes open.
7. The giant squid has the largest eyes in the world.
8. The "pound" key on your keyboard (#) is called an octotroph.
9. The "dot" over the letter "i" is called a tittle.
10. Nutmeg is extremely poisonous if injected intravenously.

Riddle

A doctor and a bus driver are both in love with the same woman, an attractive girl named Sarah.

The bus driver had to go on a long bus trip that would last a week.

Before he left, he gave Sarah seven apples.

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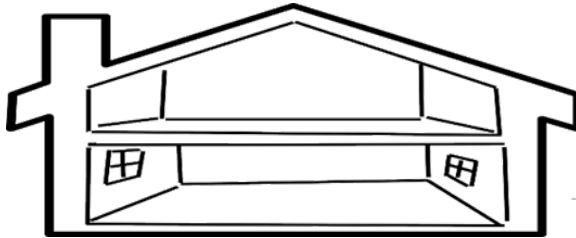
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sausages, bacon & burgers.

Fresh meat & Fish orders taken weekly, along with fresh bakery bread.

Fresh Cromer Crabs here on Friday's.

We have a range of quirky gifts in our shop & more to come soon!!

As Autumn arrives, we will have a good selection of winter hanging baskets available, along with pansies & violas & winter bedding, shrubs, ornamental trees, pots, compost & grow bags.

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Harvest Festival

Mark McCaghrey is still hopeful that a celebration may take place. See matvchurch.uk website or ring Church Office

At some point in the future we intend to continue with other planned events

VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

Please contact your organiser for any of the usual clubs for further information.

Gardeners News: After much consideration it has been decided to **CANCEL ALL FURTHER MEETINGS for 2020** Meetings are expected to re-commence January 2021 onward, watch out for further details.

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Sincere thanks to Christine Mobbs for Village Hall information

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Photographs of Rachel and Peter at St. Mary's Church, by courtesy of :-

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A perfect example of overcoming the difficulties of Covid-19 restrictions;
having a wonderful wedding, and enjoying every moment of a special day!



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