

# A Parish Newsletter



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# St. Mary the Virgin—Church Notice Board

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## December 2022 — CHURCH SERVICE

DON'T Forget our Candles & Poinsettia Carol Service at St. Mary's-

December 18th 2.00 p.m. Please donate a poinsettia in

memory of a loved one-most of all COME & JOIN US!

PLUS—Wonderful news of a service: 24th December 9.30 p.m.

For Sunday Services held at other parish churches within the Benefice, please ring Church Office or see Website : matvchurch.uk for times

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

https://tinyurl.com/matv-weekdays

#### Bible Quote: Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! 2 Corinthians 9:15

Village News

## Quiz



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Thank you to the 42 villagers & friends who turned up for a keenly contested guiz last month. Nice to see some new faces too!

There were some high scores, but the all girl team of *'Nice Nutty* **Neighbours'** came out on top! Good quality fish & chips were delivered by the Railway Tavern. David had people 'top and tailing' during the interval while the guizmaster enjoyed a break. The overall consensus was positive. Feedback suggested that perhaps a bit less music and more general knowledge. Next one in the Spring.

## Church

Nothing new to add about the tower or the window.

Gearing up for a bumper turnout at the Carol Service on the 18th.

2 pm start . Let's celebrate together and have some fun.

## Sad News

We lost a real village character to cancer, last month. Vernon (Lewis-Lavender) of Mill Road was a Parish Councillor for many years and a keen woodworker / furniture maker!

I'll remember his dry sense of humour!

We offer our condolences and support to Sandra and family.

## **Editor's Wish**

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We are 'North Tuddenham-ites', after all!!!



## Parish Council

#### Hello all

Just a quick update from the Parish Council.

We are pleased to confirm we now have permission to utilise the SAM2 device on Mill Road – this will hopefully retard some of the excessive speeds that residents report along this 30mph stretch. We shortly will be downloading data from the SAM2 that will indicate what sort of speeds motorists are travelling through the village and this will be shared at forthcoming PC meetings. This may well help us as part of an evidence-gathering exercise if we need to investigate further action around speeding as time goes on.

We also are looking ahead into the new year to the May 2023 elections. We have seven seats on the Parish Council which are all filled at present; however, in May 2023, these seats are open for additional nomination. If you are interested in being considered for a role on the Council, please keep an eye on the website for information around how to put forward your nomination, nearer the time.

In the meantime, all at North Tuddenham Parish Council wish you a Merry Christmas, and a peaceful and healthy New Year!

Best wishes

#### Vicky

# **RECIPE FOR DECEMBER**

## <u>Delia's Tiramisu</u>

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3 x Size 1 egg yolks ; 50 g of Castor sugar ;

1 x 250 g. tub of Mascarpone; 2 x size 1 egg whites

150 ml very strong expresso coffee; 3 tablespoons of dark rum About 24 sponge fingers

50 g. dark continental chocolate with 75% cocoa solids, chopped

1 level dessertspoon / tablespoon of cocoa powder

(You will need you also need 6 stemmed glasses, approx.200 ml capacity.)

First put the egg yolks into a medium size bowl together with the sugar and beat with an electric hand whisk on high speed for about 3 minutes or until the mixture forms a light pale mousse. In a separate large bowl stir the Mascarpone with a wooden spoon to soften it, then gradually beat in the egg yolk mixture. Between each edition beat well until the mixture is smooth before adding more. Now wash and dry the beaters of the whisk so that they are perfectly clean, then in a third separate bowl whisk the egg whites until they form soft peaks. Now lightly fold this into the Mascarpone mixture and then put the bowl to one side.

Next break the biscuits in half, then pour the coffee and rum into a shallow dish and then dip the sponge fingers briefly into it turning them over - they will absorb the liquid very quickly. Now simply layer the desserts by putting three of the soaked sponge halves into each glass followed by tablespoon of the Mascarpone mixture and a layer of chopped chocolate. Repeat the whole process putting 5 halves in next, followed by the Mascarpone, finishing with a layer of chocolate and a final dusting of cocoa powder.

Cover the glasses with cling film then chill in the refrigerator for several hours and serve straight from the fridge.



## CHRISTMAS CRACKERS

What do angry mice send to each other at Christmas?

**Cross Mouse Cards** 

What do they sing at a snowman's birthday party?

Freeze a jolly good fellow

Why does Santa have three gardens?

So he can 'ho ho ho'

Knock, knock Who's there?

Arthur... Arthur who? Arthur any mince pies left?

What kind of motorbike does Santa ride?

A Holly Davidson

How did Scrooge win the football game?

The ghost of Christmas passed

What do Santa's little helpers learn at school?

The elf-abet

What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?

Frostbite

What do snowmen wear on their heads?

Ice caps

How do snowmen get around?

They ride an icicle





A few playing cards are missing from a standard 52-card deck. Three cards remain when you deal the entire deck to four people. And two cards remain when you deal the entire deck to three people OR if you deal the entire deck to five people.

How many cards are missing from the deck?

## <u>MINDTEASER</u>

### November solution

'Only Connect' Grid .16 words can be grouped thus:

Goose, Rasp, Blue & Black-Berries

Red, Silver, White & Head-can all precede 'lining'

Pigeon , Pepper, Mustard & Scarlett-can go after army rank-viz.

Lieutenant Pigeon; Sergeant Pepper; Colonel Mustard & Captain Scarlet

Yarg; Late; Chore & Mile - all anagrams of colours—Gray; Teal ;Ochre & Lime





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### New for 2022 The Squirrels Rest Café & Takeaway

Come & enjoy a coffee, cake & relax in our peaceful surroundings

We stock locally sourced Norfolk Artisan produce from around the county. Fresh fruit & vegetables from local suppliers, delivered daily. We have a wide range of fresh butcher meat, frozen fish, meat & much more.

Fresh bakery bread, scones & cakes delivered twice weekly.

#### New for Christmas 2022

## **Christmas Grotto**

### Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th December 2022

Pre bookable tickets, bookings for Grotto 12pm till 6pm Christmas music & Mulled Wine

Christmas Trees Nordmaan Fir Cut & Pot grown, Wreaths & Gifts, Hampers & Vouchers & much more available. Now taking all your Christmas veg, meat & bakery orders.

We would like to thank all our customers for your continued support & We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

We will close at 2pm on Christmas Eve & reopen on Wednesday 04<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Any orders can be placed either by phone or email

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### This is the story of how the fir tree became the Christmas tree.

At the time when the Christ Child was born all the people, the ani-At the time when the Christ Child was born all the people, the ani-mals, and the trees and plants, were very happy. The Child was born to bring peace and happiness to the whole world. People came dai-ly to see the little One, and they always brought gifts with them. There were three trees standing near the crypt, which saw the peo-ple and they wished that they, too, might give presents to the Christ Child. The Palm said: "I will choose my most beautiful leaf, and place it as a fan over the Child." "And I," said the Olive, "will sprife sweet-smelling oil upon His head."

"What can I give to the Child?" asked the Fir, who stood nea

"You!" cried the others. "You have nothing to offer Him. Your needles would prick Him, and your tears are sticky." So the poor little Fir tree was very unhappy, and it said: "Yes, you are right. I have nothing to offer the Christ Child.

Now, quite near the trees stood the Christmas Angel, who had heard all that the trees had said. The Angel was sorry for the Fir tree who was so lowly and without envy of the other trees. So, when it was dark, and the stars came out, he begged a few of the little stars to come down and rest upon the branches of the Fir tree. They did as the Christmas Angel asked, and the Fir tree shone suddenly with a beautiful light.

And, at that very moment, the Christ Child opened His eyes-for He had been asleep-and as the lovely light fell upon Him, He smiled.

Every year people keep the dear Christmas Child's birthday by giving gifts to each other, and every year, in remembrance of His first birthday, the Christmas Angel places in every house a fir tree also. Covered with starry candles it shines for the children as the stars shone for the Christ Child. The Fir tree was rewarded for its meekness, for to no other tree is it given to shine upon so many happy faces. Traditional

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