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North Tuddenham



A Church & Village Newsletter

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St. Mary the Virgin—Church Notice Board



Rector



To be appointed

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DECEMBER 2024 — CHURCH SERVICE

Sunday 1st — 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Sunday 15th 3 p.m. Carol Service Candles & Poinsettia

QUOTATION:- "A merry heart does good, like medicine, but a broken spirit dries the bones."

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 Zoom 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>



Words from the Editor

Remembrance Service—19 people attended the indoor/ outdoor service led by Jackie Crisp. Roly Bunting laid the wreath. *'Lest we forget' all those who have died for our country in all conflicts including World Wars.*

Carol Service *Reminder* 15th December 3pm. *This is our biggest service of the year. Come and join the festivities. After some deliberation it will be a revised 7 Reading Service.*

Poinsettias required please!

Just Giving. St Marys is attempting to modernise itself to facilitate giving money to the church for those of you who use a mobile phone or who are cash-free. By using this QR code from your mobile phone you can make cashless donations. A wall safe, plate donations and gift aided envelopes are still in use for traditionalists.



Thank you to all those who attended events in the church this summer — Talk by John Vigar on 'Norfolk Churches', Sophie Wren (Folk), Wymondham Ukulele Band, Carl Simon (Rock) and the Sea Shanty Crew.

***What can we tempt you with for next year ? Reggae ? Jazz?
Accordionist? Country? ? ?***

It's not often that I call others to pray, but at this time of year in a world full of conflicts, threats and unchristian behaviour, I say

"let us pray this Christmas for a brighter and safer future for our children and grandchildren."

RECIPE FOR DECEMBER

Ginger Pear Trifle.



Ingredients

15 g custard powder; 15 ml sugar; 300 ml fresh milk; 150 g ginger cake, sliced; 410 g canned pears in natural juice/ drained and sliced; 150 ml cider; 150 ml fresh whipping cream and 25 g flaked almonds/toasted.

Method

Blend the custard powder and sugar with a little of the milk.

Bring the remaining milk to the boil and pour onto the custard mixture, stirring well.

Return to the pan, bring to the boil, stirring. Cook for one minute. Leave to cool.

Arrange the ginger cake in a glass serving dish. Cover with the pears and pour over the cider. Pour cooled custard over the trifle and leave to set.

Whip cream until softly stiff. Pipe over the custard and decorate with almonds

Served chilled.

Jools Smith

Parish Council

We held our final meeting of the calendar year on 20th November, and it was with extreme pleasure that I can confirm that Ellen Blake was co-opted to the vacant role of Councillor at that meeting.

Many of you will already know Ellen from village life where she is an active member of many groups, currently part of the Community Association and the Village Hall Committee. We would like to officially welcome Ellen to the Council and share with you that Ellen's focus will be community liaison and stakeholder engagement so watch the space in terms of seeing more from Ellen in this regard.

On behalf of the Parish Council, I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and a peaceful New Year and we look forward to welcoming you to our next meeting on Tuesday 15th January 2025 at 7:30pm

Best wishes

Vicky

Stop Press!

Norwich Western Link

I have just received an email from Councillor Graham Plant re this highways project. It doesn't make for happy reading.

Basically, Natural England are not prepared to concede any ground on the protection of habitats for Barbastelle bats and therefore the construction of the link road between the A1067 and A47 is in serious jeopardy. NCC are furious. Huge expense committed so far!

The Council are seeking mediation from the government .

Upcoming Meetings	
Wed 15th January 2025	Wed 19th March 2025
Wed 21 st May 2025 (APCM and APM)	Wed 16th July 2025

MIND TEASERS

November Mardle

Answer to Pre-Christmas Quiz Part 1

To be revealed at Carol Service 15th December

Pre-Christmas Quiz Part 2

Christmas Answer Smash

Smash the answers to these two questions together. What do you get?

*Deep fried spiced chickpeas rolled in balls
and
the Spanish Christmas song by Jose
Feliciano?*

Activities at Carol Service

Rolling the dice to win



General Knowledge

Pre Christmas Questions plus decider



Bottle of Cava to the winner!

SIX QUESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

1. From where does Stollen Cake originate?
2. In the film 'National Lampoon's Family Vacation' what's the name of the family?
3. Are Mistletoe berries edible?
4. What was the first Christmas Song to be broadcast from space?
5. In 1847 Tom Smith invented which Christmas items?
6. Name Santa's missing reindeer from this list—Rudolph, Prancer, Dancer, Donner, Blitzen, , and?



UPCOMING EVENTS

in North Tuddenham

Thursday 5th December

Community Club Night, Village Hall,
7:00 - 9:00pm. Free entry.

Saturday 7th December

North Tuddenham Community Association's
CHRISTMAS QUIZ, Village Hall, 7:30pm start.

Sunday 15th December

Christmas Carol Service, St. Mary's Church,
3pm. All welcome.

Thursday 2nd January

Community Club Night, Village Hall,
7:00 - 9:00pm. Free entry.

*For further details on each event, please check
Facebook and The Mardle nearer the time!*

North Tuddenham Community Association's

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

Saturday 7th December 7:30pm start
North Tuddenham Village Hall

£15 per team (up to 6 people) Raffle
Bring your own drinks and snacks

To register your team, email Pat:
patb1280@gmail.com



SUNDAY 15th December



3.00 p.m.
Carol Service
St. Mary's Church
North Tuddenham

Come & Join the celebration!
After service refreshments



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available now.**

Upcoming events

Come & visit Santa in his Grotto Sat 14th Sun 15th Dec

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Calling North Tuddenham Gardeners

**Thursday JANUARY 30th 2025
@7.30 p.m.**

A.G.M. @ the Village Hall

Friends old and new all warmly welcomed

Contact: David Riches: 07597 345748



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reasonable rates**

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