

Church Cleaning

7th Cathy Hume
14th Lyn Pelham Burn
21st Elizabeth Clark
28th Janette Higgs

Songs of Praise

A large congregation was present for a Songs of Praise service on Sunday 19th June at St Mary's Church, Wortham, celebrating twenty years since the formation of the Friends of Wortham Church. The service was conducted by Rev Adrian Watkins, rector of North Hartismere Benefice and the organist was Peter Creswell. The readings were given by Elizabeth Clark and Edward Coales and Lyn Pelham Burn and Cathy Hume led the intercessions. Thanks were given to everyone who has been involved with the Friends or has supported them over the years and in particular Maureen Ling who has been chairman of the Friends for the past fifteen years. Light refreshments were served after the service and people were able to wander around the church and see examples of crafts made in the various workshops organized by the Friends over the years.

Good Companions

Wortham Good Companions Club held a fundraiser and meeting on June 21st in Wortham Village Hall. There was a variety of stalls including plants donated by Howard Nurseries, Guess the Weight of the Cake made by Marie Hewish (which was won by member Janet Bromley who guessed the exact weight of 4lbs 9oz), refreshments and a raffle and £208 was made for club funds. Chairman Betty Garnham thanked all the members for their help and welcomed Sue Bawden, vice-president of the club, to the event.

Bowls Club

Wortham Bowls Club held their annual Coffee Morning in their club house on Saturday 9th July. It was a lovely social event with an assortment of stalls and £217 was raised.

My Life in Song

Resident of Wortham and keen singer, Jenny Francis, has recorded a collection of fourteen of her favourite songs in aid of **Eye Opportunity Group** which supports families and carers who have young children with disabilities or learning difficulties. The CD costs £5 and includes a selection of songs ranging from 'Danny Boy' to 'Smile'. If you would like a copy please contact Jenny on 01379 890017.

Hall Booking Secretary Mike Burgess Tel. 898037

Mobile Library Wednesday 24th August Wortham Post Office Stores 2.40pm to 2.55pm

Village Hall Diary for August

Good Companions	2nd, 16th	2.00 - 4.30
Pilates	3rd, 10 th , 17 th , 24 th , 31st	9.30 - 10.30
Tea's Made	3rd, 10 th , 17 th , 24 th , 31st	2.00 - 4.00
Dance School	3rd, 10 th , 17 th , 24 th , 31st	7.15 - 8.15
Pilates	4th, 11th, 18th, 25th	6.00 - 7.00
Yoga	16th, 18th, 23rd, 25th, 30th	11.45 - 1.15
Private function	21st	12.00 - 6.00

FRIENDS OF WORTHAM CHURCH EVENTS

Upcycling

The sale of the 'Upcycled' items that had been on display during the Open Gardens weekend took place at Batteleys Cottage on Saturday 25th June. A huge thank you goes to all those who braved the atrocious weather during the afternoon. Wine and savouries proved most enjoyable and £700 was made for the Friends Funds.

Future Events

Music, Wine & Roses The Kingfisher Ensemble will be playing string quartets by Haydn, Puccini and Beethoven in St Mary's Church, Wortham on Sunday 7th August. Drinks will be served from 6.00pm, with the concert starting at 6.30pm and lasting about one hour. Tickets, which include a glass of wine, are available from Wortham Post Office Stores or telephone Edward Coales on 01379 898479. Proceeds to Friends of Wortham Church.

Thursday 8th September A Pottery Workshop at John and Penny's Studio in Brockdish. They are both enthusiastic potters and with their help and guidance those attending the last time we ran this workshop made some really good pots. The cost is £40 for the day to include lunch. Pots that are glazed will be an additional £4 each.

For details of fundraising events please check the website friendsofworthamchurch.weebly.com

