

Wortham

Church Cleaning

6th Cathy Hume
13th Sheila & Janet
20th Elizabeth Clark
25th Paddy Richards

Carol Service

Once again we are collecting Christmas presents for homeless people in London at our Carol Service on 13th December at 11.00am at Wortham Church. Gifts such as toiletries, underwear and perhaps a little luxury treat should be new and in original packaging and should not contain alcohol.

Autumn Fair

St Mary's Church, Wortham, held their Autumn Fair in the Village Hall on Saturday 31st October where there was a variety of stalls, competitions and refreshments. Competition winners were Hoopla - Myra Pinnell, Number of Sweets - Colin Lond, Fishing Game - child winner Joseph Hilling and adult winner Alison Smith and Hamper Raffle - Pearl Neve. A total of £705 was raised for the church fabric fund. Thank you to all who helped to run the fair and everyone who supported the event on the day.

Remembrance Sunday

Wortham's Remembrance service was held at St Mary's Church, commencing with prayers at the War Memorial where two wreaths were laid. These were from Wortham & Burgate Parish Council, laid by the chairman Stephen Rash and from Wortham Primary School, laid by pupil Rhys Chisman. The service then continued in the church led by Revd Ginny Manning with organist Myra Pinnell. The Roll of Honour of the men in the parish who lost their lives in the two World Wars was read by Janet Bromley and the Silent Tribute was given by Elizabeth Garnham. Readings were given by Sheila Rush and Cathy Hume and the service concluded with the National Anthem and the Blessing.

WARTS - A date for your diary

Warts Christmas production is "King Grunt's Cake" by Julia Donaldson (the well known author of many children's books, including 'The Gruffalo'). Performance dates are 10th, 11th and 12th December at Botesdale Village Hall with curtain up at 7.30pm, together with a matinee on Saturday 12th at 2.30pm. Tickets at £8, with £5 for under 16's, will be available at Hilltop Hardware, Botesdale and Wortham Post Office. Diss Publishing will be featuring Julia Donaldson's work early in December.

Church Flowers

Here in Wortham we have a lovely church and it seems right to enhance it with the natural beauty of flowers and foliage. For generations ladies have come with their flowers and scissors to do their part. Many thanks to all of you who come regularly to decorate our church and carry on this tradition. I hope it gives you as much pleasure as it gives me. And a very special "thank you" to Sheila Rush who has been organising our decorations for many years. She gives much time and effort and does all the unseen work that makes everything run smoothly. Thank you Sheila.
Geraldine Rash

Shoebboxes

Thank you to everyone around the Benefice who filled a shoebox for a needy child. These were blessed at our Shoebox Service on Sunday 25th October and thanks also to The Band from Palgrave who provided most of the music for the service. A total of 67 boxes were collected and these will be travelling to Swaziland to brighten up the Christmas of children there.

Wortham Village Hall

Something Happened – at Christmas. 7.30pm on Saturday 5th December at Wortham Village Hall, in collaboration with Diss Corn Hall. Expect a funny, toe-tapping evening with the marvellously entertaining trio, Something Happened. Combining irreverent humour and sparkling musicianship, they will reveal little known Yuletide classics as well giving their own treatment to much-loved favourites. Tickets £9 from Diss Corn Hall Box Office (01379 652241) or from Wortham Post Office Stores.

Hall Booking Secretary Mike Burgess Tel. 898037

Mobile Library Wednesday 16th December Wortham Post Office Stores 2.40pm to 2.55pm

Village Hall Diary for December

Yoga	1st, 8th	10.00 - 11.30
Pilates	2nd, 9th, 16th	9.30 - 10.30
Tea's Made	2nd, 9th	2.00 - 4.00
Yoga	3rd, 10th	11.45 - 1.15
Pilates	3rd, 10th, 17th	6.00 - 7.00
Something Happened	5th	7.30
Ballroom	7th, 14th	7.00 - 8.30
Parish Council Meeting	8th	7.30
Pilates	9th, 16th	6.30 - 9.30
Sewing Class	14th	9.30 - 2.30
Good Companions	15th	2.00 - 4.30

FRIENDS OF WORTHAM CHURCH EVENTS

Dinner and Speaker

Saturday 6th February 2016. Tickets will be £25 each and the meal will consist of a pre-dinner drink with canapés, a main course and a sweet followed by coffee. The tickets will be available later in the year from Wortham Post Office or Maureen Ling on 01379 783236. Menu choices will be given to you with the ticket and will need to be returned as soon as possible. Wine and beer will be available. After the meal Alistair Harrison will be giving a talk on his life in the diplomatic service, reflecting on a 37 year career in the Foreign Office giving an account of his varied experiences and special highlights from his career.

Christmas Hamper

Once again there is a chance to win a splendid Christmas Hamper and help the Friends of Wortham Church at the same time. The Hamper will be on display at Wortham Post Office Stores from December 8th.

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

NOTICEBOARD

**WARTS "King Grunt's Cake"
December 10th, 11th and 12th
7.30pm + 2.30pm matinee on Sat. 12th
Botesdale Village Hall**

**Tea's Made
Wednesdays
2.00 - 4.00pm
Wortham Village Hall
Transport available**