

Altar Flowers for October
19th & 26th Mrs S Rush

Wortham

Church Cleaning
5th Cathy Hume
12th Sheila & Janet
19th Elizabeth Clark
26th Paddy Richards

Churchyard Clear-up

We have fixed another date to do a little 'gardening' at the church - Saturday 11th October between 10.00am and 1.00pm. Please bring your gloves and any equipment you might find useful. Refreshments provided!

Shoebboxes

Our special Shoebox Service will take place this year on Sunday 26th October in St Mary's Church, Wortham. Flat pack decorated boxes (if you would rather not find a shoebox and cover it) are available for 30p from Wortham Post Office or Cathy Hume Tel. 650321

Sponsored Cycle Ride

The Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Cycle Ride took place on Saturday 13th September. Thirty cyclists visited St Mary's Church and many thanks to those who rode for Wortham and to all the people who manned the church.

Autumn Fair

St Mary's Church, Wortham are holding their annual Autumn Fair on Saturday 1st November in Wortham Village Hall. The fun kicks off at 2.00pm with stalls including Bric a Brac and Books, Cakes and Sweets, Plants and Preserves and a Tombola. There will be a raffle for a Christmas Hamper and more besides. You can test your skills with Christmas Tree 'Rings', Bottle Top fishing and the Clothes Peg game and then relax with a cup of tea and a slice of homemade cake. Funds raised will go to the church fabric fund. Please ring Cathy on 650321 if you have any items you would like to donate for the fair. We look forward to seeing you!

FRIENDS OF WORTHAM CHURCH EVENTS

Craftsman's Quest - Friday October 10th

All participants in the Quest are invited to come along on 10th October to hear the winners announced. Light refreshments will be available. **It is important you let us know by 7th October at the latest if you are coming by telephoning 898479 and leaving your name and number of people attending.**

Plant Bring and Buy Sale at Batteleys Cottage - Saturday 25th October - 10.30 until 1.00 pm

There will be a variety of plants for sale including some less common perennials. Refreshments of teas, coffee and cakes will available and you will have a chance to look around their stunning autumn garden. Plants can be brought for sale on the day or left just inside the gate the day before. Plants in pots or freshly dug clumps of perennials wrapped in paper will be fine. It would be helpful too if plants could be labelled.

'Rookery Puds' - Friday 7th November. 7.30 pm at The Rookery by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Ling. Tickets will be £15 and these will be on sale in the Post Office from the beginning of October.

Victorian Christmas Market on Friday - 5th December - 4.00 pm until 7.00 pm

Crafts and stalls, including local produce and cakes, tombola, singing and music, fairground organ and exciting entertainment including the arrival of Father Christmas. Variety of refreshments and drinks will be available.

Please check the website friendsofworthamchurch.weebly.com for more information.

Emma Thornton's Jumble Sale

Emma will be holding her annual jumble sale in aid of her charity **Wagobera** on Saturday 4th October in Wortham Village Hall at 2.00pm. Please bring any jumble or raffle prizes to the hall on the morning or call 01379 870897.

Thanks

The Hall family would like to thank Revd Ginny Manning for a lovely caring service for their dear father, grandfather, great grandfather and great, great grandfather Eddie Hall, on August 8th in St Mary's Church. Also to everyone who attended the service and to all who went to the Village Hall on August 29th for a celebration of his life.

Flower Arranging

A window has become vacant at church for a flower arranger. This is just for three festivals a year - Easter, Harvest and Christmas - so if there is anyone interested in decorating this space please contact Sheila Rush on 788124.

Event Dates

Sheila Rush would appreciate it if local clubs and organisations could let her know when arranging fundraising events to help avoid the clashing of dates.

Friday 10th October 7.30pm Craftsman's Quest winners at Wortham Village Hall
Saturday 25th October 10.30-1.00pm Plant Bring & Buy at Batteleys Cottage, The Ling
Saturday 1st November 2.00pm St Mary's Church Autumn Fair at Wortham Village Hall
Friday 7th November 7.30pm Rookery Puds at The Rookery
Saturday 15th November 2.00pm St Mary of Pity Church, Burgate Christmas Fair in church
Monday 17th November 7.30pm Good Companions Christmas Bingo at Wortham Village Hall
Saturday 22nd November 7.30pm Wortham Village Hall Quiz
Saturday 29th November 1.00pm School Christmas Fair in the school
Friday 5th December 4.00 - 7.00pm Victorian Christmas Market outside the Post Office

New Tennis Court

Many congratulations to Wortham Tennis Club on the opening of their fourth tennis court. The event took place on 13th September with about 130 guests attending. Chairman Julia Waters welcomed everyone and thanked all who had made the club so successful. The court has been named the Laurie Dickson court in memory of their former chairman and team captain who sadly died in 2011. It was opened by Cathie Sabin, president of the Lawn Tennis Association, who unveiled a plaque and then she was presented with a lovely bouquet by three year old Scarlett Dickson. Martin and Johnny Dickson thanked the club for the honour of naming the court after their father and then served the first tennis balls on the new court.

Village Hall Quiz - Saturday November 22nd.

Come and enjoy a fun evening with Quiz Master Ian Haywood, and a tasty buffet. Raising funds for Wortham Village Hall.

Wortham Village Hall would welcome some new members to its committee. We generally meet 4/5 times a year plus fund raising events and some fresh ideas and input would be appreciated. Please contact Katherine Smith on 01379 687207 or Lisa Long on 07771 752104 if you would like to know more.

Village Hall Diary for October

Yoga	2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th	11.45 - 1.15
Emma's Jumble Sale	4th	2.00
Sewing Class	6th, 20th	9.30 - 2.30
Ballroom	6th, 13th, 20th, 27th	7.00 - 8.30
Yoga	7th, 21st, 28th	10.00 - 11.30
Good Companions	28th	2.00 - 4.00
Friends of Wortham School	17th	5.00 - 7.00
Parish Council	21st	7.30 - 9.30

Hall Booking Secretary Mike Burgess Tel. 898037

Mobile Library Wednesday 1st & 29th October Wortham Post Office Stores 2.40pm to 2.55pm