#### **Altar Flowers for January**

Mrs S.Rush



#### **Church Cleaning**

4th Cathy Hume

11th Sheila & Janet

18th Elizabeth Clark

25th Paddy Richards

## **Good Companions**

When the Good Companions Club met on Tuesday November 25th in the Village Hall, they were joined by 52 children from Wortham Primary School along with their teachers. Two guests also attended the meeting; Graham Reardon and Paddy Richards, who take the Open the Book sessions in the school on Monday afternoons. The children came to sing Christmas carols and songs and some played the piano and other instruments as well. Julia Humphrey, head teacher, was presented with a bouquet by Sheila Rush on behalf of the club. Sadly she is leaving the school at Christmas to take up a new post at Old Buckenham Primary School. The teacher replacing her as head in January 2015 is Mrs Claire Flatman who has been teaching at Wortham School for the past three years.

#### School Fair

Wortham Primary School held their Christmas Fair in the school on Saturday November 29th. There were lots of lovely craft stalls, Christmas cakes, cards, wreaths and a Tombola. There was a large raffle with ten Christmas Hampers and fifty other prizes and Coffee and Mince pies were served all afternoon. 'Guess the Weight of the Cake' was 7lb 2 5/8 ounces and was won by Clare Merrilees. 'Number of Sweets in the Jar' was 562 and was won by Annie. '50/50 in a Bucket' was won by Robert Pratt. It was lovely to see Roella Trudgill back in Wortham with her craft stall. She also ran a 'Lucky Dip' in aid of Children in Need and over the past five years has raised £150 for them. The school raised £142 for the charity as well. Father Christmas arrived at the school at 2.00pm and was kept very busy all the afternoon. Special calendars were on sale for £5 with wonderful photographs taken by Jake Snowling who had been a pupil at the school but sadly died after a long battle with cancer aged 16, in March of this year. If you would like a calendar you can contact Hartismere School.

### FRIENDS OF WORTHAM CHURCH EVENTS

**Stars, Celebrities and Special Occasions** on Saturday 7th February 7.00 for 7.15pm. at Wortham Village Hall. Come along for a great three course dinner, including coffee, mints and pre dinner drinks and enjoy the entertaining speaker Deborah Preston who was head housekeeper at many of the big London Hotels. She has many amazing and hilarious snippets of what went on behind the doors of such luxury establishments. Dinner jackets and tiaras optional! Tickets are £25 and available from the Post Office early in the New Year. For details of fundraising events please check the website <u>friendsofworthamchurch.weebly.com</u>

# Reminder

# Tea's Made in Wortham

A weekly chat over tea or coffee and cake will start on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> 2.00 – 4.00pm. Thank you to two generous donors who have enabled us to start well. Transport is available for anyone who needs help getting to the hall. For further information phone Miriam Quinn on 898864 or email: qmiriamq@btinternet.com



## **Wortham Village Hall**

Fourteen teams took part in our 2014 quiz on November 22<sup>nd</sup> They were bombarded with a wide range of interesting and challenging questions dreamed up by Quiz Masters Ian Haywood and Carlton. The addition of a bonus round just before supper, the winner of which receiving a bottle of wine from the Quiz Masters, was a great idea. The winning team was 'Three Aces and a Double Fault' who were Josh Goddard, Lyn Pelham Burn, John Seeley and Netty Verkroost. The winners received wine and Smarties, the team with the least points received mugs. Thank you Ian and Carlton for all your hard work it is very much appreciated and people certainly seemed to have enjoyed the evening. Thank you to everyone who took part and helped raise approximately £523.10 profit for the village hall. A big Thank You also to all the helpers - Buffet Babes: Jacky Bradley, Joy Cornish, Cathy Hume, Jackie Samways, Bar keeps: Mike Burgess & Paul Bradley, Beer waller: Terry Smith. Thanks also to Mike Cornish and Lisa Long. Katherine Smith

**Wortham Village Hall** would welcome some new members to its committee. We generally meet 4/5 times a year plus fundraising 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.

Hall Booking Secretary Mike Burgess Tel. 898037

**Mobile Library** Wednesday 14th January Wortham Post Office Stores 2.40pm to 2.55pm