

# Wortham

## Altar Flowers

20th & 27th  
All

## Church Cleaning

6th Cathy Hume  
13th Sheila Rudland  
20th Elizabeth Clark  
27th Paddy Richards

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting

St Mary the Virgin, Wortham will be holding the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in church on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 12.35pm. It will be preceded with a light lunch at 12 noon and the Vestry meeting to elect churchwardens at 12.30pm.

## Wortham Churchyard

The next tidy-up of the churchyard will be on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April between 10.00am and 1.00pm. If you would like to join our 'working party' you would be most welcome. Refreshments provided!

## FRIENDS OF WORTHAM CHURCH EVENTS

### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April

Jonny Ling presents a fascinating evening with his period organ collection. Demonstrations, finger buffet, drinks and music galore! 7.00pm at Grange Farm Palgrave. Tickets £10 per person. Booking essential as limited numbers. Please ring 01379 783236 or 890534. (see poster on page 15)

### June

#### The Craftsman's Quest

Following on from the highly successful Dragon Quest, this is a new treasure hunt organized by the FOWC team and will run from June to September. The launch of the Craftsman's Quest will take place at Wortham Church on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June from 2.00pm. A fun and interesting event for all the family. Entry to the launch is free and there will be tea / coffee & cakes being served. Quest books £10 will be available on the day. Watch out for more details next month

### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June

#### Pottery Workshop

10am to 4.00pm £30 to include a light lunch

To book please ring 01379 783236 or 890534. Very limited places so please book early.

## Call My Bluff

Wortham & Burgate Twinning Association held a Wine 'Call My Bluff' in the Village Hall on 7th February. The evening was presented by Adnams Brewery, with three experts describing six wines in turn and trying to convince the audience that they were telling the truth! There were also cheeses to taste and identify and a raffle was held for a splendid wine and glasses in a presentation box. The evening raised £450 which will be used when the French guests next visit in July.

## Event Dates

Sheila Rush would appreciate it if local clubs and organizations could let her know when arranging fund raising events to help avoid the clashing of dates. The following dates have already been submitted:

Monday 14th April	Good Companions Prize Bingo
Saturday 9th August	Burgate Church Fete and Dog Show
Saturday 15th November	Burgate Church Christmas Fair
Monday 17th November	Good Companions Prize Bingo

## O.A.P. Meals

The Dolphin at Wortham has started an O.A.P. rate with 25% off all main meals every Thursday. There are Specials Boards & Lunchtime Specials daily and meals are served from 12 noon to 3.00pm and from 6.00 - 9.00pm. Tel. 01379 898228

## WORTHAM VILLAGE HALL

### Bridge Day

A Bridge Drive was held on February 18<sup>th</sup> which included refreshments and a two course lunch. 30 players had an enjoyable day and raised a profit of £293 for village hall funds. Many thanks to Jacky Bradley who organized the event and to Fay Manning for helping in the kitchen.

### Village Hall Diary for April

Yoga	1st, 8th, 29th	10.00 - 11.30
Good Companions	1st, 15th	2.00 - 4.30
Ballroom	7th, 28th	7.00 - 8.30
Yoga	3rd, 10th	1.30 - 3.00
Good Companions Prize Bingo	14th	7.00 for 7.30
Parish Council	15th	7.30
Sewing Class	28th	9.30 - 2.30

**Hall Booking Secretary** Mike Burgess Tel. 898037

**Mobile Library** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April Wortham Post Office Stores 2.40pm to 2.55pm

## Wortham and Burgate Twinning

This year it is Wortham's turn to host visitors from Hédé and we are already thinking ahead to the visit at the beginning of July. We hope to have events which anybody, whether members of Twinning or not, hosting visitors or not, can come to. We already have a ceilidh planned for Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July and tickets for this will be on sale nearer the time. Although we hope to include a few Breton dances mostly it will be in usual traditional ceilidh style and everybody is welcome. Dancing will be to the popular Hosepipe Band. Although Twinning is about making contacts and friendships with our twinning partners, it is also a way to get to know your neighbours in Wortham and surrounding areas through the social events we have. You may

have already enjoyed the Wine Call My Bluff Evening we held in early February when we were pleased to welcome many people from Wortham and neighbouring villages. We now have members from a number of the surrounding villages – you don't have to be a Wortham inhabitant to join.

If you have children at Wortham School you may come across some of our younger French visitors when they visit in July. We always make sure that during Twinning visits we arrange outings that will appeal to our young members and to the visitors, and they soon find their language skills developing as they make friendships and use their French language phone apps.

We are trying to encourage connections between interest groups. Linda Simpson is setting up a Wortham/Hédé garden lovers group with an aim of perhaps exchanging ideas, garden visits and maybe even plants and seeds.

This will be open to anyone in the village, Twinning member or not, and to this end Linda is having a meeting at Battelys Cottage, The Ling, Wortham at 3pm on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April. Anyone interested in this should phone Linda on 01379 644174 or e mail [lindaruth11@gmail.com](mailto:lindaruth11@gmail.com).

We also have French conversation groups going. There are two at the moment and we are hoping to set up a beginners group as well in the near future. This again is not limited to members of Twinning and if you are interested, please e-mail us at [worthamandburgatetwinning@gmail.com](mailto:worthamandburgatetwinning@gmail.com).

Keen photographers in the village may like to note that we are holding a photography competition later in the year with the aim of producing a calendar with photographs of Wortham and surrounding district. We intend to sell the calendar both in Wortham and Hédé. More details will be published later in the year but in the meantime you may like to get snapping.

If you want to know more about us and/or have ideas of ways in which we can continue to develop our organisation why put a post on our Facebook page [www.Facebook.com/worthamandburgatetwinning](http://www.Facebook.com/worthamandburgatetwinning) or e mail us on [worthamandburgatetwinning@gmail.com](mailto:worthamandburgatetwinning@gmail.com).

Alternatively Chris Grocott our membership organiser or I would be pleased to hear from you. Chris can be contacted on 01379 898338 and my details are above.

Linda Simpson Secretary to Wortham Twinning