Wortham

Flowers

14th Maureen Ling & Carole Belton

Church Cleaning

7th Cathy Hume 14th Janet & Sheila 21st Elizabeth Clark 28th Paddy Richards

Churchyard Clean-up

There will be a tidying of the churchyard on Saturday 6^{th} April between 10.00am and 1.00pm. If you can join us for all or part of the time you will be very welcome. Refreshments provided!

Songs of Praise for Dedication of new window

There will be a Songs of Praise service on Sunday 14th April at 11.00am to dedicate the new stained glass window at Wortham Church, installed to commemorate the centenary of the formation of the Diocese of

St Edmundsbury and Ipswich in 1914. We are delighted that Bishop Nigel will be with us and hope you will be able to join us on this happy occasion.

Election of Churchwardens & Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Following a light lunch, the APCM for St Mary the Virgin, Wortham is to be held on Sunday 28th April at 12.30pm. This will be preceded by the Vestry Meeting at 12.20pm when Churchwardens for the coming year will be elected.

Foodbank

A big thank you to everyone who is supporting Diss Foodbank by donating items of food or money either at the Post Office Stores or at St Mary's Church, Wortham. Every week these are collected and taken to the storeroom in Stanley Road and are a vital support to a number of families in the area.

Mothering Sunday

The Mothering Sunday service was conducted by Rev Ginny Manning and the organist was Myra Pinnell. Elizabeth Clark gave the reading and the prayers were said by Paddy Richards. Posies were blessed by Rev Ginny and then distributed to the congregation. After the service coffee and biscuits were served.

Good Companions

The Good Companions are holding a Prize Bingo in the Village Hall on Monday 8th April at 7.30pm. There will be good prizes and everyone is welcome. Also please support our Jumble Sale on Saturday 27th April, starting at 1.00pm.

Wortham Village Hall - Dates for your diary

The Village Hall Committee meet on Tuesday 9th April at 7.00pm.

Open Gardens - June 8^{th} and 9^{th} More gardens welcome! Call Katherine Smith (890534). Village Hall Quiz - November 16^{th}

A Thank You from RoellaTrudgill

To date, may I say a sincere thank you to Sheila Howard, Margaret Drake, Linda Pell, Jean Thorndyke and Christine from "The Chalet", Wortham for their very kind donations of wool so I can knit scarves for the Christmas Samaritan Shoe Boxes; I've already knitted 16 since Christmas!

Thank you very much

Roella

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| Village Hall Diary for April | | |
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| Ballroom | 22nd, 29th | 7.00 - 8.30 |
| Good Companions | 2nd, 16th, 30th | 2.00 - 4.30 |
| Pilates | 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th | 7.15 - 8.15 |
| Good Companions Prize Bingo | 8th | 7.30 |
| Village Hall Committee | 9th | 7.00 |
| Sewing Class | 15th, 22nd, 29th | 9.30 - 11.30 |
| Yoga | 16th, 23rd, 30th | 10.00 - 11.30 |
| Yoga | 18th, 25th | 1.30 - 3.00 |
| Good Companions Jumble Sale | 27th | 1.00 |

Mobile Library April 10th & 24th

Wortham Ling Post Box 1.30pm to 1.40pm Wortham Post Office 2.55pm to 3.10pm

Hall Booking Secretary Mike Burgess Tel. 898037

Friends of Wortham Church - Coming Events

Thursday 25th April PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED DATE

Photography Workshop led by a professional photographer from his home in Thelnetham. Age range 12 – 112! Meet 10.30am at Deo Gratias, Long Green for 11.00 start in Thelnetham. The day includes lunch and should finish around 3.00pm. Learn how to maximize your photos /composition etc., from your SLR or Digital camera and get out and about taking photographs.

£25 per person Booking essential – contact Carol on 898928 or Maureen on 783236.

Wednesday 5th June at 10.30am Wire Sculpture Workshop by Jenny Goater

Jenny is a teacher and professional artist well known for her life-like animals created out of wire and mesh. She will be demonstrating the different techniques using galvanised wire and mesh to create sculptures suitable for house and garden. By the end of the day everyone will have produced their own personal sculpture.

£25 to include teas/coffees and light lunch, venue to be confirmed later Booking essential. Contact Carol on 898928 or Maureen on 783236

The Midsummer Hare

The Midsummer Hare is a musical fable with orchestral instruments and narration which has been created by Sue Heaser and Peter Creswell. The piece is set in the fenland around the source of the Little Ouse and Waveney rivers on the borders of Norfolk and Suffolk and takes place over the course of a single day in midsummer. The story is an original fable that celebrates the beauty of these valley fens and their wildlife.

The musical instruments each represent a particular creature and the piece consists of musical solos that invoke the characters of the animals and birds and ensemble playing to create the atmosphere of the fen. A narrator tells the fable and the voice interacts with the music, sometimes speaking over it, sometimes interspersed, and sometimes silent when the orchestra takes the story.

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It is to be premiered at Wortham Church on **Saturday 29th June** with performances at 3.00pm and 7.30pm further information can be found at: www.themidsummerhare.weebly.com
Tickets available from Wortham Post Office from 1st or ring 783236 or 898479.

Seats priced at £7.50 / £10.00 (under 16's free) for the matinee performance and £10 / £20 for the evening.