

Altar Flowers

3rd, 10th Mrs S Rush

Church Cleaning3rd Cathy Hume
10th Janet & Sheila
17th Elizabeth Clark
24th Paddy Richards**Christmas Flowers**

Once again, thank you to all the ladies who decorated the church for Christmas - it looked lovely. Many thanks for giving up your time as it is always a busy season. Sheila Rush

Wortham Village Hall

A belated but BIG thank you: to ALL those involved in two events in November, the Village Hall Quiz which raised £576.20 and the Bridge Day organised by Jacky Bradley, which raised £205.50, all for Village Hall funds.

Open Gardens, June 8th & 9th: We now have several gardens/gardeners on the list but Katherine Smith is still waiting for YOUR call!! 01379 890534.

Long Service Awards

On 21st December Howard Nurseries of Wortham presented three long service awards of 25 years to Janet Ellis, John Piper (Pim) and Terry Flatman. Janet Ellis has seen the container area grow to cover seven acres and has been involved in potting and growing on many of the Chelsea plants over the years. Pim has been responsible for looking after many of the new plant introductions of the nursery along with Terry who guides the field planting team in the right direction. Howards are very proud of the staff at the nursery and these three members demonstrate the dedication, loyalty and hard work of all the staff. A total of eleven staff have worked there for 25 years or over. The awards ranged from digital cameras to a watch. The wholesale nursery Howard Nurseries has been established since 1969 and has grown to be one of the foremost perennial producers in the country of containers and bare rooted plants. Howard Nurseries launched a new website on 1st December: www.howardnurseries.co.uk

Valentine Race Night

Wortham and Burgate Twinning Association are having a Valentine Race Night in Wortham Village Hall on Saturday 16th February. Doors open at 7.00pm for a prompt 7.30pm start. Tickets are £10, which includes a Sausage & Mash supper or Vegetarian option and there will be a bar. Tickets available from Wortham Post Office or Twinning Committee members. Contact Chris Grocott for further details on 898338.

Village Hall Diary for February

Sewing Class	4th, 11th, 18th, 25th	9.30 - 11.30
Ballroom	4th, 11th, 18th	7.00 - 8.30
Yoga	5th, 12th	10.00 - 11.30
Antiques Valuation & Tea	6th	2.00
Pilates	6th, 13th 20th, 27th	7.15 - 8.15
Yoga	7th, 14th	1.30 - 3.00
Good Companions	12th, 26th	2.00 - 4.00
Valentine Race Night	16th	7.00 for 7.30
Parish Council	26th	7.30 - 9.30

Mobile Library February 13th & 27th

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

Hall Booking Secretary Mike Burgess Tel. 898037**The Coffee Caravan**

This will next be outside Wortham Village Hall on Monday 11th March, 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm. It visits rural villages once a month from March to October and has a wealth of information in the form of free leaflets on many services available in the area. There is also a welcome free cup of tea and cake all served by the friendly Garry. This is a service run by volunteers which welcomes voluntary donations. See you there. Roella Trudgill (tel 783063)

Friends of Wortham Church – Coming Events**Antiques and Traditional Afternoon Tea**

The Friends of Wortham Church are hosting an 'Antiques and Traditional Afternoon Tea' event on **Wednesday 6th February** at 2.00pm in Wortham Village Hall. Bring along an item or two to be valued by Durrants Professional Auctioneers and Valuers. Just £7.50 per person for the valuation and a delicious tea of sandwiches, scones with jam and cream and homemade cake with tea or coffee.

Booking essential – please contact Maureen on 783236 or Carole on 898928 as soon as possible.

Photography Workshop - advance notice**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED DATE**

Thursday 25th April – a Photography workshop lead by a professional photographer from his home in Thelnetham. Age range 12 – 112! Probably 10 a.m. – 3.00p.m. to include lunch - £25 per person. Learn how to maximize your photos /composition etc., from your SLR or Digital camera and get out and about taking photographs. Booking essential – as above please.

