



St. Mary's Dalton Holme Newsletter

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Services for January

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| 7th | Epiphany 1 | 9.30 am | Morning Prayer |
| 14th | Epiphany 2 | 9.30am | Holy Communion |
| 21st | Epiphany 3 | 9.30 am | Morning Prayer |
| 28th | Epiphany 4 | 9.30 am | Holy Communion |

Thoughts from Rev. John McNaughton

Dear Friends,

May I first wish you a Happy New Year. None of us knows what the future may hold, but we would all like to be at our best for it, able to bring a little light where there is darkness, a little genuine cheerfulness where there is gloom, a little helpfulness when and where it is needed.

It's amazing what we can do when we are at our best; and when we clap hands and sing "Auld lang syne" it shows something of our concern for one another. Our New Year Resolutions show something of our determination to bring a little more happiness into the future.

Of course there is a need for rules and regulations, but they can be a bit crushing, and when we are at our best, with common sense, trying to put a little help and cheer into life, we rise above them. Being raised up by regular inspiration is obviously preferable to being run down by rule and regulation.

So here's a thought for the new year: what about spending a little precious time in prayer each day? It lifts us above ourselves and into the presence of our Father in heaven, and closer to those whom we love but see no longer. Long before Christ, the old psalmist was aware of that when he wrote: "The Lord is near to those who call to him, who call to him with sincerity". (Psalm 145 v. 18).

Long after Christ, our late King George VI quoted in his first Christmas broadcast of the second World War: "I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown." And he replied, "Go out into the darkness, put your hand into the hand of God, that shall be to you, better than light, and safer than a known way." (Minnie L. Haskins). Over to you!

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February Issue

The closing date will be **Thursday 18th January**. Articles should be sent to me in **word format only** at rac.pfl@btinternet.com

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Dalton Holme Village Hall Christmas Lunch

The Dalton Holme Village Hall Christmas lunch took place on Thursday 14th December. A group of 40 people enjoyed a tasty Christmas meal cooked mostly by Dawn Cliff but aided and abetted by members of the South Dalton Ladies Club and the Thursday Coffee Morning Team.

The meal began with a drink of Buck's Fizz or orange juice and then the main course was served. Guests were treated to roast turkey with trimmings of pigs in blankets, stuffing balls, cranberry sauce as well as roast and mashed potatoes, carrots, sprouts and gravy.

There was choice for sweet of Christmas pudding with either custard or cream or individual trifles made by Dawn.

After the meal a free raffle was held and several fortunate people went home with boxes and tubs of sweets and chocolates, biscuits and wine, all generously donated.

It proved to be a very pleasant occasion where people were able to socialise with friends and neighbours and to wish each other a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you to all who attended and all those who helped before and on the day.

Glynis Bevan



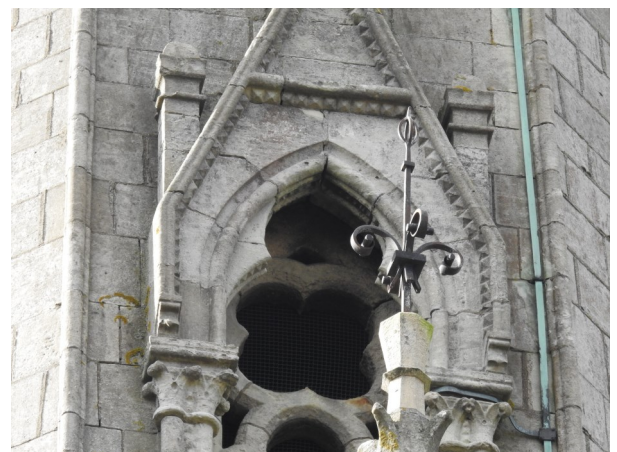
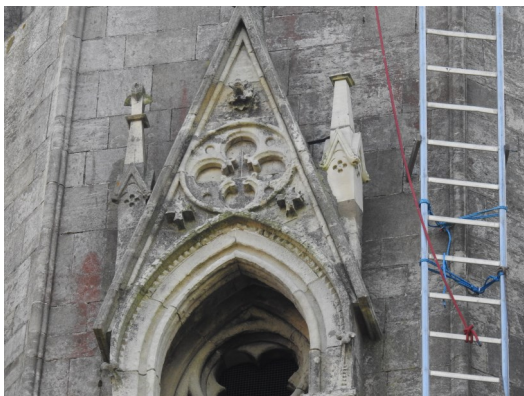
Church Repairs. Update.

John Langham has kindly supplied many photographs taken during the survey showing the steeple jacks at very close quarters. I attach a few on page 3 and more will be included in the next issue.

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Church Lights – Christmas 2017

Following the success of the floodlighting appeals for the past eight years, the Village Hall Committee have once again appealed for the sponsorship and contributions towards the cost of floodlighting the church. A list of the sponsors is shown on page 4.



SOUTH DALTON CHURCH - CHURCH LIGHT SPONSORS

| December 2017 | Names |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 3th | Margery & Rixon Matthews |
| 4th | Sylvia Blondell |
| 5th | Mrs Anina Green |
| 6th | Norman & Barbara Colley |
| 7th | Andy & Sally Fincham |
| 8th | Lord & lady Hotham |
| 9th | Les & Barbara Gamble |
| 10th | Keith & Catherine Dilcock |
| 11th | Wendy Fenton |
| 12th | Martin & Julie Baltazar |
| 13th | Maureen Barnett |
| 14th | Kevin & Jane Moore |
| 15th | Kevin & Jane Moore |
| 16th | Wendy Fenton |
| 17th | Hazel Cock |
| 18th | Trevor & Sharon Simpson |
| 19th | Eric & Mavis Wood |
| 20th | Eric & Mavis Wood |
| 21st | Geoffrey & Wendy Burdass |
| 22nd | Andy Foxton & Ali Craig |
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| 24th | Maureen Barnett |
| 25th | Norman & Barbara Colley |
| 26th | In Memory of Sheila Woodall |
| 27th | Memory Of Karen Taylor |
| 28th | South Dalton Playgroup |
| 29th | Norman & Barbara Colley |
| 30th | Norman & Barbara Colley |
| 31st | Martin & Julie Baltazar |
| January 2018 | Names |
| 1st | Jean Smith |
| 2nd | Trevor & Sharon Simpson |
| 3rd | John & Cheryl Mayers |
| 4th | John & Cheryl Mayers |
| 5th | John & Barbara Boddy |
| 6th | Neil & Caroline Marshall |

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| 7th | Neil & Caroline Marshall |
| 8th | John & Barbara Boddy |
| 9th | Geoff & June Creaser |
| 10th | Lord & Lady Hotham |
| 11th | Keith & Catherine Dilcock |
| 12th | Geoff & June Creaser |
| 13th | Wendy Fenton |
| 14th | William & Katrina Hotham |
| 15th | William & Katrina Hotham |
| 16th | Mrs Anina Green |
| 17th | Lord & Lady Hotham |
| 18th | Robert & Judith Coates |
| 19th | Robert & Judith Coates |
| 20th | Andy Foxton & Ali Craig |
| 21st | Geoffrey & Wendy Burdass |
| 22nd | Geoffrey & Wendy Burdass |
| 23rd | Margery & Rixon Matthews |
| 24th | Simon & Katie Fairbank |
| 25th | Simon & Katie Fairbank |
| 26th | Giles & Penny Peacock |
| 27th | Linda & Keith Denman |
| 28th | Tom & Kay Robson |
| 29th | Tom & Kay Robson |
| 30th | Tom & Kay Robson |
| 31st | Giles & Penny Peacock |
| February 2018 | Names |
| 1st | Lord & Lady Hotham |
| 2nd | South Dalton Playgroup |
| 3rd | Les & Barbara Gamble |
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| 5th | |
| 6th | |
| 7th | |

Many thanks to all who contributed, the total amount raised was £400

Giles Peacock

