

St. Mary's Dalton Holme Newsletter

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Services for January

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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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

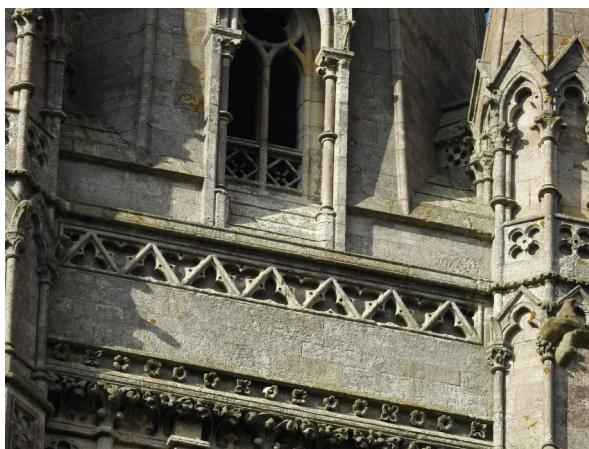
Church Repairs. Update.

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.



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		Names
December 2017		
3rd	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	
23rd	Andy Foxton & Ali Craig	
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	

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

Giles Peacock

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February 2018		
1st	Lord & Lady Hotham	
2nd	South Dalton Playgroup	
3rd	Les & Barbara Gamble	
4th		
5th		
6th		
7th		

