

# Wold & Marsh

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2003  
DECEMBER

Deadline for next  
month's news is the  
**28TH DECEMBER**

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### **Baptism:**

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### **MOBILE LIBRARY WILLOUGHBY - NEW TIMES**

Alternate Tuesdays  
Next Visit - 2nd December  
SCHOOL -: 10.25 - 11.15  
VICTORIA HOUSE: 11.20 - 11.45  
SPRING COTTAGES: 11.50 - 12.05  
FAIRFIELD HOUSE: 12.15 - 12.25

**Free book service**  
**Small charge for videos**  
**& Talking Books**

The next copy of the Magazine will  
cover January & February. Items  
for inclusion to reach Pat or Daffyd  
by  
28TH DECEMBER please



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
**&**  
**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
**FROM THE**  
**WOLD & MARSH**

## Rectors Thoughts: -

Religion, Does it work? Yes. But only if we understand what is really going on.

Christmas is coming. Stress levels will rise as will hopefully the enjoyment factor. We will listen to carols extolling the joy of a child born over 2000 years ago, the humble beginnings, the peace of parents in difficult circumstances and pronouncements from illuminated skies full of music.

Straight after Christmas we are reminded what this birth was going to mean. 26th December is the feast of St Stephen the first Christian martyr, stoned to death for believing in Jesus. Followed on the 28th by Holy Innocents, the slaughter of all children under two years of age around Bethlehem by Herod.

Looked at in this light, Christmas may be seen as a short term joy and not a nice thing to be associated with? This however is to only see half the story. True the story gets worse. Our hero ends up dead on a tree.

Jesus' life is part of a longer story. He was born into a context which was political, religious, economic and emotionally charged. The other thing to remember is that the elements of the nativity play are there to inform and remind us of a history of relationship with God since Yahweh called Abraham.

So what are we being told.

God tells us that the physical world is harsh but beautiful at the same time and must be taken seriously. That he is present here among us. That we are free. We are reminded that we were called out of Egypt. We may be under the yoke of political masters but they don't own the soul even when we forget who you are. Christmas is the second exodus. The first was from physical bondage the latter for the soul.

When we grasp the freedom within us our lives don't finish on Good Friday but travel on to Easter Sunday. Christmas becomes a celebration of the struggle of new life that succeeds over all things.

Religion does work - only if we take it in its fullness and activate the full potential. God requires full commitment.

Enjoy Christmas but remember those less fortunate than ourselves.

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### **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

**THURSDAY 18TH - CHRISTINGLE - 2.30PM**  
**THURSDAY 18TH - CAROL SERVICE - 6.00PM**  
**WEDNESDAY 24TH - MIDNIGHT MASS - 11.30PM**

**WILLOUGHBY DIARY  
DECEMBER**

**Wednesday 3rd - COFFEE MORNING**  
St Helena's School  
10am - 11am  
In aid of the Toddlers Group

**Thursday 4th - WILLOUGHBEES**  
Village Hall 7.30pm  
Christmas Party  
Competition: Party Games

**Tuesday 9th SHEILA'S LUNCHEON CLUB**  
Half Moon, Alford. Christmas lunch

**Tuesday 16th GARDEN CLUB**  
Christmas Party with faith supper  
Comp: Poem - Thoughts on the Garden Club  
Village Hall 7.30pm

**Wednesday 17th CAROLS IN THE PUB**  
Willoughby Arms 8pm

**JANUARY 8th WILLOUGHBIES**  
Village Hall 7.30pm A.G.M.

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**SHEILA'S LUNCHEON CLUB**

On November 11th sixteen ladies gathered at the Anchor, Alford. We all enjoyed a good meal of home cooking.

Raffle Winners: Brenda Challis. Dot Hurdman.

**Next Venue: Christmas Lunch. Half Moon, Alford.**

**TABLE TOP SALE**

I would like to say a really big **THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed, or helped in any way, towards the Table Top sale held on Saturday 15th November. The help of many friends in Willoughby was especially appreciated.

The amount raised for Willoughby Bowls Club was £273-25p. Thank-you again. Vera Webb

**THE WILLOUGHBEES**

On November 6th sixteen ladies assembled to hear an interesting talk by Mr A D Yeardon of 'Natureland'. We saw a video of 'Shaggy the seal'. We saw him rescued as a dehydrated starving baby seal. Natureland have developed their own technique for feeding baby seals. 399 seals have been rescued, built up and released including Shaggy. Natureland has even rescued a walrus which was later returned to its native Iceland.

Competition Winner: Mary Butler

Raffle Winners: Barbara Chinn. Brenda Challis.

**Next Meeting: December 4th Christmas Party.**

**FOR YOUR 2004 DIARIES**

FEBRUARY 5TH 2004

VILLAGE HALL 7.30PM

The Willoughbees will have an open meeting

**THE 1953 FLOOD by Mr Shields**

**OPEN TO VISITORS**

£2 including tea/coffee & biscuits

**WILLOUGHBY GARDEN CLUB**

Tuesday 28th October saw the gathering at the Village Hall of the Gardening Club. This month Mr Steve Robinson visited, bringing with him all sorts of remedies to eradicate pests and diseases from our gardens. He had some novel ideas as well as the practical type, all made a very interesting evening.

Members also brought along Halloween lanterns for this months competition, many had grown theirs from seed. Odd faces cleverly cut out, funny and frightening, all very well done. Judging over, not everyone could be a winner, congratulations to 1st: Margaret Harrison. 2nd: Betty Hawkins. 3rd: Peter Hewitt.

**Christmas is on the way - Tuesday 16th December is the Christmas Party with the traditional Faith Supper,** the competition is a poem 'Thoughts on the Garden Club'. An ideal time for members to get together.

See you there Jan Clark

**THE WILLOUGHBEES**

We are an independent group of women who meet on the first Thursday of each month in Willoughby Village Hall at 7.30pm.

We have a varied programme of Speakers and Social Evenings and a very modest subscription of £12 a year. Visitors are also welcome at a charge of £2 per visit. A copy of the programme is on the Village Hall Notice Board. We hope very much you will join us.

You can be assured of a friendly welcome and it is an excellent way of meeting new people and making new friends.

If you would like someone to accompany you to your first meeting, please call either 01507 466197 or 462703.

**St Helena's School, Willoughby  
PARENT & TODDLER GROUP**

Join our friendly pre-school group who meet in our School Hall

**Every Tuesday from 2pm until 3:15pm**  
Play opportunities, indoor & out,  
led by a school staff member

**Part time places for children; term after their 4th birthday**

**Contact Helen Brough on**

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# MUMBY

Compiled by Steve Mugglestone, "Rayell"  
Items for inclusion in the next issue should reach

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## A Special Thought:

Christmas comes but once a year - think why!

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## Welcome to Mumby

Just a reminder The booklet, "**WELCOME TO MUMBY**," designed to welcome and assist new residents coming into the village, is available from Chris Dring, Steve Mugglestone, the Red Lion and the Church. If someone moves in near you - please be good neighbours, collect a copy and take it round to them as soon as possible.

## Mumby Community Group

The Annual General Meeting was held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November, with the existing executive committee being re-elected.

We would be delighted if anyone in the village would care to offer their services - please contact the Secretary, Eileen Gilburd on 490878.

### **The Giant Mumby Christmas Quiz is now on sale.**

Ideal for you to sit and contemplate when Christmas dinner is over, the presents have been unwrapped and you are full of turkey and mince pies, wondering what to do that doesn't involve too much movement! Time to get the brain cells going and fathom out the answers. This year, the quiz is even bigger, with well over 250 questions to tease your grey matter. Why not make it a family contest and buy one for each member and have your own friendly rivalry? A copy of the questions costs £1.00. The winner will receive £50.00. For your copy, ring Roger or Eileen on 490878 or contact any committee member. Good Luck.

We are collecting books for our next year's Book Sale and would be very grateful for any that you have finished with.

Your Community Group wishes you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.  
Eileen Gilburd.

## Crafty Afternoon Club

New members or visitors are always made welcome! 2.00 - 4.00pm, Monday Afternoons, in Becket's.

The last meeting of 2003 will be the Christmas Dinner on the 15<sup>th</sup> December and then a break, with meeting re-starting on **Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2004.**

# NEWS

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me by the Monday previous to the 19<sup>th</sup> of this month.

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## Christmas Services

**Mumby Methodist Chapel** will be holding its Christmas Carol Service on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm, followed by tea, coffee, cakes and mince pies.

Eileen Cutting will lead the service, assisted by her group of singers.

The collection will be donated to the Mumby and Cumberworth First Responders fund.

You are all offered a warm welcome.

**St. Thomas of Canterbury Church, Mumby**, will be holding its traditional Family Service of Carols and Readings on Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm.

Refreshments will be served afterwards.

You will be made most welcome, especially the children!

## "LIVES AID" Quiz

Getting the winter series off to a good start, Chris Collins threw the questions at us, wanting the 1<sup>st</sup> group of 10 answers to start with the letter A, then proceeding through to J. Six teams battled it out with "Grumpy old men + 1" the victors by 1 point over "The Forgerers." "Three Meat & One Veg" took 3<sup>rd</sup> by 1 point from "1/2 Mumby Mumblers."

Thanks to Steve & Karen for their hospitality, Chris and Sue for the Questions and Raffle, Those who donated Prizes and all Contestants, helping to swell the funding for the First Responders.

**Please note - the next round will be on 19<sup>th</sup> December, not the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday.**

## Church Quiz

On the 14<sup>th</sup> November, seven teams faced Daffyd's test of general knowledge. He does, from time to time, dream up some weird questions - to which he gets some equally weird answers. "The Grumpy old Men +1" again came out on top with "2 Blokes, a Bird and a Plank" and "Mumby Mumblers reunited" close behind.

The Jackpot question was answered incorrectly, so the prize money rolls over to the next round on 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Again, Our thanks to Daffyd, Beryl and our Hosts, Steve & Karen, also the players and raffle prize donors.

**Mobile Library**

The County Mobile Library visits Mumby on alternate Wednesdays, parking in the Church Layby from 12.30pm to 1.00pm. December date is the 10<sup>th</sup>. (No visit on the 24<sup>th</sup>)

January, 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

February, 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

March, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

This is a free service which we hope will continue, but it does need more support.

Videos and Talking Books are also available.

**Neighbourhood Watch**

Please be aware that, with Christmas approaching, the thieves are getting busy, stealing other people's property to put on their Christmas list. Garden ornaments and tools are high on their lists.

**Christmas Play**

The Children of years 5 & 6 of Huttoft School are, once again, presenting their Christmas Play, in Mumby Church, on Friday, 12th December, at 11.00am. Over the years they have delighted us with their considerable talent and enthusiasm and I am sure that this year it will live up to expectations. Please take time to come along and support them - its worthwhile!

*May I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.*

*I do enjoy writing "Mumby News" and would like to thank those who feed information to me. Steve.*

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**AGE CONCERN**

Age Concern would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and to remind you to be careful at this season. Many of you will be using ladders or steps in various ways - to put up trimmings, decorate a tree, get down china from a high cupboard, or put up outside christmas lights.

Please make sure that the equipment you are using is safe, and that you are wearing suitable clothing. High heels and ladders don't go together safely....

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Feel a failure because you don't get everything on your list done each week? Don't worry - the only person who ever got everything done by Friday was Robinson Crusoe!

**What's on in Mumby?**

**Every Monday, 2.00 till 4.00pm: in Becket's -** Crafty Afternoon Club. New members always made very welcome.

**Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> December: Huttoft School Christmas Play,** in Mumby Church @ 11.00am.

**Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> December: Church Quiz Night,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm.

**Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December: Carol Service,** in Mumby Methodist Chapel @ 7.00pm.

**Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December: Lives Aid Quiz Night,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm

**Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> December: Carol Service,** in St. Thomas's Church @ 2.00pm.

**Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> January: Church Quiz,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm

**Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January; Lives Aid Quiz,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm.

**Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February: Church Quiz,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm.

**Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> February: Lives Aid Quiz,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm.

**Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> March: Church Quiz,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm.

**Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> March: Lives Aid Quiz,** in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm.

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**MORE WINDOW WATCHING - from Cumberworth**

As evening draws in we see the stripy nose of our badger come wandering down the garden. He knows that each night we place a dish of peanuts on the lawn just below our front room window, and every night you will find us peering out into the gloom awaiting his arrival. He's not a fussy eater. He appreciates a piece of bread or cake, an apple or even a sausage though one of his real favourites is a brazil nut. His meal is finished off with a good long drink from the pond. One evening this summer we were delighted to see he had brought two youngsters along with him. They totally disrupted the usual quiet by running hither and thither and eventually overturned the dish of peanuts completely. I am sorry that some people feel threatened by badgers and that they may possibly cause harm to cattle, but they are one of our few existing large wild creatures, and we just love 'em.

	December		6.30pm	Every Tuesday ½ hour of Prayer at Mumby	All Welcome
			6.30pm	Every Wednesday ½ hour of Prayer at Willoughby	All Welcome
		Willoughby	10.00am	Sunday School in the Tower every Sunday	
7th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Advent 2	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel, Pocklington	
12th	Friday	Mumby	11.00	Huttoft School at Beckets	
14th	Sunday	Ulceby	9.00	Advent 3	Eucharist
		Willoughby	10.00		Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel, Simpson	
17th	Wednesday	Willoughby	8.00	Carols in the pub	
18th	Thursday	Willoughby	2.30	Christingle	
			6.00	Carol Service	
21st	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Advent 4	Eucharist
		Sloothby	3.00	Carol Service (with Willoughby Chapel)	Carol Service
			10.45	Mumby Chapel, Members	
24th	Wednesday	Mumby	3.00	Carol Service	
		Ulceby	6.30	Carol Service	
		Willoughby	11.30	Midnight Mass	Eucharist
25th	Tuesday	Ulceby	10.00	Christmas Day	Eucharist
28th	Sunday	Willoughby	10.00	Holy Innocents	Eucharist
29th	Monday	Mumby	6.30	St. Thomas of Canterbury. Patronal Festival	Eucharist
	January	2004			
4th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Epiphany	Eucharist
				Mumby Chapel,	

**MERRY CHRISTMAS, A HAPPY NEW YEAR & MANY THANKS TO THE DEDICATED GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO WRITE ARTICLES, PRODUCE AND DISTRIBUTE THE WOLD & MARSH**

Willoughby Rota - December 2003/January 2004			
	Flowers/Brasses	Lectern	Cleaning
27th Dec	Mrs Bristow Mrs Parish	Mrs Pridgeon	Mrs Hickman Mrs Smith
10th Jan	Mrs Seymour Mrs Skinn	Mrs Pridgeon	Mr & Mrs Mountain

