

Wold & Marsh

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2004

DECEMBER

Deadline for JAN &

FEBS news is the

28th December

Items to;

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Register:

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Funeral:

Ellen May Kirby (M)

Christmas Services

Thursday 16th

Willoughby Carol Service, 6.30pm

Sunday 19th

Sloothby Carol Service 3.00pm

Monday 20th

Willoughby carols in Willoughby Arms
8.00pm

Tuesday 21st

Christingle at Willoughby Church
2.30pm

*(Note: No Tuesday or Wednesday
½ hour Prayers This week only.)*

Friday 24th

Mumby Carol Service, 3.00pm

Ulceby Carol Service, 6.30pm

Willoughby Carols and Midnight Mass
11.30pm

Saturday 25th (Christmas Day)

Ulceby 10.00am

Sunday 26th

Willoughby 10.00am

Monday 29th

Mumby Patronal Festival 6.30pm

Members of the
Wold & Marsh
team would like to wish everyone
a pleasant Christmas
and a joyous start to 2005



Rectors Thoughts:-

December means the new Christian calendar. We start 4 Sundays before Christmas with a preparation period called Advent. This period is a penitential season of reflection on the coming of Jesus into the world. Being penitential means letting go of the past mistakes whilst hanging on to the good things. When Christmas comes we can celebrate with a clear conscience.

This penitential season has lost a lot of its bite in modern times now that Christmas decorations are up in private homes from the middle of November and the shops encourage us to participate in "Christmas retail therapy" from October. The new penitential period is the date of the January credit card.

The civil new year is at the end of December which is preceded by a period of parties, presents, good will and a feast of films on the TV. It is also a time for making resolutions to improve life for the coming year which are usually forgotten by the end of January. What will be your resolutions? How long will you stick to them?

In the secular resolutions, what preparation goes into making them? What support do they have in our life style?

For Christians the year is the structured into seasons of the Christian calendar; Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, Trinity, plus saints days, rogation days and special festivals like Harvest. For the two most important periods (Christmas and Easter) there are preparation seasons (Advent and Lent). These time are for extra study, reflection and prayer on our lives, the lives of those we love and the world in general.

Christians commit themselves (make resolutions) to an ongoing development towards a world where God is the centre of their lives and thinking. Not a world of conformity but of diversity in unity.

Christians like the country of Bhutan say:

Gross National Happiness is more important than
Gross National Product

Christians would also affirm:

the greater God centric
the greater happiness will result
in a greater Gross World Product

**Rev Daffyd Robinson, The Rectory,
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Services 2005.

With new commitments to Chapel St. Leonard's & Hogsthorpe. There will be no change at present to the times of Sunday services in the Willoughby Parish Group, but I will have to arrive closer to time or leave more sharply after a service.

At present

on the 1st Sunday I will be at Hogsthorpe for 9.00am which means I will arrive at Mumby close to 10.00am for the Eucharist.

on 2nd & 4th Sundays after the Willoughby Eucharist I will be leaving quickly for a service at 11.00am at Chapel St Leonard's



**Thursday 2nd WILLOUGHBEES
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Village Hall - 7.30pm

Monday 6th CHRISTMAS BINGO NIGHT

Village Hall 7pm for 7.30 start
Cash prizes - see details below

Tuesday 7th SHEILA'S LUNCHEON CLUB

Christmas Lunch - Half Moon, Alford

Saturday 11th - Village Hall Noticeboard

The new Noticeboard for the Village Hall
In remembrance of Sheila Kemp
*****Come and have a look at it *****
Refreshments - 3PM

**Tuesday 14th WILLOUGHBY GARDEN CLUB
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

with 'Faith Supper'
Comp: 8 lines on Willoughby Open Gardens
Village Hall 7.30pm

JANUARY - Thursday 6th WILLOUGHBEES

AGM / Discussion

Speaker Mrs Stevenson from Louth Hospice

WILLOUGHBY PLAYINGFIELD ASSOCIATION

The AGM of the Willoughby Playingfield Association was held on Monday 9th November. Officers/ Committee members for 2004/05 were elected. A number of fund raising events will have to be held in the next twelve months if the playing field and the equipment are to be kept in working order.

The first of these events will be a

CHRISTMAS BINGO NIGHT

to be held at the Village Hall

MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

**Cash prizes and a special seasonal caller
PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT US TO ENSURE
WE KEEP THIS IMPORTANT AMENITY IN THE
VILLAGE**

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations Jan of JB Flower Design on the forthcoming opening of your shop in Alford.

I wish you every success in this venture. May I also thank you for the

flowers you have supplied me for the various weddings that I have done.

The quality has been excellent.

Keep up the good work!

Linda Seymour

THE VILLAGE HALL LOTTERY

As the Village Hall lottery has now been running for just over a year, it is time to give a short report on the progress of the scheme.

As those good folk who participate know, each week our winner receives £25 and the remaining £24 (less expenses) goes into the running and maintenance of the village hall. The expenses are minimal - mostly accrued when the scheme was being set up. Therefore the amount paid into the village hall account to date is £1,434. All due to the friends who regularly pay their £1 a week and enjoy a little flutter.

This money has enabled us to apply for a grant to have the lino (now worn and discoloured) along both sides of the hall removed a smart, new non-slip flooring laid in its place. The intention is to have the same colour and type as is now in the kitchen and the entrance hall. You will be kept informed as to whether our request has been successful as soon as we know - but these things do take time to come through.

We have a few further schemes in mind for the continued improvement to our hall and the Committee are very grateful to all who have joined in our lottery.

If anyone is interested in joining in our weekly gamble, please contact Gloria on 466233 for details. You will not be pressurised but should you decide to "have a go" it would be great, as every little helps.

The hall belongs to all of us and this scheme is an excellent way to see that it is maintained to a very high standard for us all to enjoy.

Very Many Thanks to those who take part and, as always - Good Luck.

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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
accepted in the term after their 4th birthday
Contact Helen Brough on
01 507 462367**

CONGRATULATIONS

to Willoughby motor cycle racer

Peter Hickman

who has been named

2004 ACU Academy Road Racer of the Year

The award is presented based on his performance on the track and his dedication to the training programme.

The award will be presented at the ACU Dinner and Awards night in January 2005.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Council met on November 18th.

Items discussed included:

Grant to St Helena's Church towards Churchyard mowing costs.

Advertising boards and insurance on the Village Green.

Town & Parish Councils continued involvement in consultation on planning applications.

Planning applications:

- 1 Fence and gate at 2 John Smiths Close.
- 2 Retention of poultry houses at land to the rear of Bonthorpe House.
- 3 Extension at The Grange, Willoughby.
- 4 Agricultural tenancy at Rose Cottage, Hasthorpe.

There will be no Meeting in December unless planning items arise.

Agendas for meetings are placed on the Village Notice Board a week prior to the meeting

A Reminder for Event Organisers

Please remember, that to place advertising boards on the Village Green you need permission from the Parish Council. This is not for any petty reason - if you do not have permission, you are not covered by insurance if anyone falls over the board.

Also, please place them where they will not be a distraction to passing motorists. Thank You.

For details: Parish Clerk Sara Marshall
on 01754 890377

THE WILLOUGHBEES

On November 4th the Willoughbees gathered at the village hall to hear Mr Andrew Hill speak about his life as a paramedic. He has been in the Ambulance Service for over 20 years. We heard how his life changed from driving ambulances and only giving basic first aid to being trained as a paramedic with increasing pre-hospital skills. He also served for a time on the Air Ambulance.

It was a very enlightening and interesting talk showing different aspects of this important work.

Raffle Winners: Dorothy Wilson, Joan Riley
Next Meeting: December 2nd - Xmas Party

SHEILA'S LUNCHEON CLUB

A happy band of fifteen ladies gathered at the Blacksmiths Arms, Skendleby on November 9th. Once again we enjoyed a good lunch at a good price.

Next Meeting: December 7th - Half Moon, Alford for our Christmas Lunch.

WILLOUGHBY CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Enterprising James Newton has made some very pretty calendars for 2005. These include photographs of the village - an apt one for each month, and are professionally ring bound. They cost £1.50 each and are available from Whites Garage or from James on 01507 463094.

Copies of the **Willoughby Book** are still available for yourself, or as presents for people this Christmas. They cost £12 and are available from Margaret Harrison on 01507 463797.



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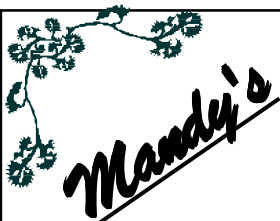
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MUMBY NEWS

Compiled by Steve Mugglestone, "Rayell" Parklands. Tel. 490552
Items for inclusion in the next issue should reach me by the
Monday previous to the 28th of this month.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



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.

Crafty Afternoon Club

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

Mumby Community Group

A big Thank You to Roger, Chris, Eileen and Joan for giving up their morning to help erect the archway in our Village Garden.

The **MUMBY GIANT QUIZ No. 3** is now available from Roger and Eileen (Tel: 490878)

This year, they are donating the proceeds to Mumby Lives Aid (First Responders.) The answers do not have to be in until mid – January, so you have plenty of time to mull over the questions after the Christmas shopping and the presents have been opened – and the dog or cat has eaten the last of the turkey.

A copy of the quiz is still only £1 and you can win the £50 cash prize.

Finally, may we wish you all a very happy Christmas and a healthy and peaceful New Year.

Lives Aid Quiz Night

Chris Collins introduced the first round of the winter series of quiz nights, to support the First Responder funds, in the Red Lion on Friday, 22nd October. Five teams took part, answering questions on general knowledge. "We're with Craig" out stripped the others, scoring 59 points, 10 in front of 2nd placed "Mumby Mumblers" with "North & South" 3rd. A great evening!
Thanks go to Chris and to our hosts Steve and Karen.

Church Quiz Night.

Friday, 12th November and seven teams faced up to Steve Mugglestone, standing in for Daffyd who was unable to attend.

A pretty fierce battle ensued with "The Unforgivable" scoring 52 points to win from 2nd placed "The Non-starters" on 49 and "Mumby Mumblers" on 46. The Accumulator Question was not answered correctly so the prize money rolls over to the December round. Thanks to Beryl for the Raffle and to our hosts Steve and Karen.

Christmas in Mumby

Both Church and Chapel will be holding their regular Christmas Family Services.

The first of which will take place in **Mumby Methodist Chapel at 7.00pm on Friday 17th December**, with the Rev. Alan Barker. You are all welcome to share in a Celebration, including Carols and Readings. The evening will conclude with a cuppa and mince pies.

Rev. Alan and the Congregation wish you a truly Happy and Peaceful Christmas.

St. Thomas of Canterbury Church will hold its traditional Christmas service, of Carols and Readings by villagers, at 3.00pm on Christmas Eve, Friday, 24th December. Again you are all welcome, especially the children.

What's on in Mumby?

Friday, 10th December, in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm – Church Quiz Night.

Tuesday, 14th December, in Church, @ 7.00pm – Taize Service.

Friday, 17th December, in Mumby Chapel @ 7.00pm – Family Christmas Carol Service.

Friday, 17th December, in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm – Lives Aid Quiz Night. (Provisional, please check with Steve at the Pub)

Friday, 24th December, in Church 3.00pm – Family Christmas Carol Service.

GIANT MUMBY QUIZ 3

Entry £1.00

Winner will receive £50

All profits to Mumby LIVES First Responders.
For a copy call in at Cygnus 17 Washdyke Lane,
Mumby or ring Roger and Eileen on 490878

SLOOTHBY NEWS

The good news is that the Coffee Morning was a reasonable success and the attendance brought in some additional income. Thank you all for your support. We would have liked to have seen more cakes on the stand but we understand that on-going support in this way is not easy. The raffle did well and again thank you to all who gave, whether there or not.



CHRISTMAS PARTY

The committee has started putting together the **Christmas Party on the 18th December** and the watch-word is 'fun'! We hope to see as many there as possible, young and old. **Please make a note in your diary - 18th December 2004.**

Please feel free to give me a call if you have any suggestions relative to making the evening a roaring success. We would like to decorate The Mission appropriately so if you have any spare decorations we would welcome them. Just call me on 01507 466651 and we will pick it up from there. The usual raffle will take place.

IMPROVEMENTS TO MISSION BUILDING

You may be interested to know that a survey and cost estimate of various improvements to The Mission building has now been carried out, although the final figures have not yet reached the committee and various options are being considered. What I mean by this is we are making an attempt to focus on various levels of costs to see if we can present a case or not, for grant aid. The survey is in a form which I hope will help us to prioritise some aspects against others.

EVENTS IN 2005

The committee is going to try and present to you in January a forecast of possible events throughout next year. So you can put the dates in your diaries for 2005 soon

An interesting conversation I had at the Coffee Morning caused me to ask myself what is the purpose of the magazine.

In my eyes the 'Parish' Magazine is a means of communication or networking, to put it in the modern idiom. It has an Editor. It carries advertisements and articles from others like me who give their time in an attempt to help strengthen the community ties. In a sense it is a mini-newspaper with a narrow but positive community focus. I would suggest that it is not possible to do this without relaying personal observations made and passed on in the interests of the readers. The magazine's origins are Church-related as a 'Parish' Magazine and in this respect historically offer an additional means by which the Church can reach its congregation. Along with the Church, the magazine has broadened its horizons and whilst continuing to serve the Church has now encompassed the wider aspects of community life.

I hope this has led to some understanding of my approach to this task. I would love to hear from you and communicate your views to others who may be interested. The villagers are after all what Sloothby is about.

However, I accept I may be totally wrong in your eyes so perhaps you could let me know. I would also get a better feel for what you expect from 'your correspondent'. JC – Your Sloothby Correspondent – 01507 466651 Phone/Fax john@vallance.fsbusiness.co.uk
The Mount, Sloothby, Alford, Lincolnshire LN13 9NR

CUMBERWORTH CORNER

Autumn is drawing to its close. The holly, with its bright red berries, still holds tight to its dark shiny leaves, but the deciduous shrubs and trees have, by now, shed their autumn glory. The bare branches of the trees have their attraction too, and you find yourself watching them closely for the first signs of their reawakening. Even now, the shiny brown sticky buds of the horsechestnuts are glistening in the sunlight, and sheathed leaf buds and hazel catkins all await their spring renewal.

I am enjoying the winter visits to our garden from the field pheasants, who call by to see what has been dropped from the bird tables and feeders, but I've yet to see a partridge in our pear tree. There are, or were! - a few partridges about locally but I may have to just wait 'Til the first day of Christmas' when Seasons Greetings begin to tumble through our door. At least our cheery red robin seems always to be with us about the garden.

Lets hope this winter is not too severe. Keep wrapped up warm against the winter chill and don't forget to feed your birds.

	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	
5th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Advent 2	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
12th	Sunday	Ulceby	9.00	Advent 3	Eucharist
		Willoughby	10.00		Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
16th	Thursday	Willoughby	6.30	Carol Service	Carol Service
19th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Advent 4	Eucharist
		Sloothby	3.00	Carol Service (with Willoughby Chapel)	Carol Service
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
20th	Monday	Willoughby	8.00	Carols in the Willoughby Arms	
21st	Tuesday	Willoughby	2.30	Christingle	
24th	Friday	Mumby	3.00	Carol Service	Carol Service
		Ulceby	6.30	Carol Service	Carol Service
		Willoughby	11.30	Midnight Mass	Eucharist
25th	Saturday	Ulceby	10.00	Christmas Day	Eucharist
26th	Sunday	Willoughby	10.00	Holy Innocents	Eucharist
29th	Monday	Mumby	6.30	St. Thomas of Canterbury. Patronal Festival	Eucharist
	January	2004			
2nd	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Epiphany (celebrated in the octave of 6th January feast)	Eucharist
				Mumby Chapel,	



The next Parish Magazine will be for January and February so please remember to send me items for both these months. Items need to be with me before December 28th - so that we can have news of Christmas events in the Jan/ Feb magazine not March when I hope we will be thinking of Spring. Pat L-B

Willoughby Rota - December 2004/January 2005			
	Flowers/Brasses	Lectern	Cleaning
24th Dec	Mrs Seymour Mrs Skinn	Mrs Pridgeon	Mrs Fulwood Mrs Cullis
8th Jan	Mrs Jones Mrs Perks	Mrs Webb	Mrs Whitehouse Mrs Bradshaw

