

THE
LITTLE CORNARD
MAGAZINE



Christmas 2022



SERVICES at ALL SAINTS

Currently services are held on the
2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 10.30 a.m.

18th December Carol Service at 6.30 p.m.

**25th December Family Service followed by Holy
Communion at 10.30 a.m.**

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board and on the website**

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From All Saints Registers

There are no new additions to the Registers

Vicar's Letter Christmas 2022



Dear Friends

As I sit down to write this letter, I have just received the wonderful news of the safe birth of a new baby. Of course, at Christmas we celebrate the birth of a baby so important that the good news of his birth is still proclaimed over 2000 years after it took place. Nowadays, parents preparing for a birth are encouraged to write a 'birth plan'. In one of these, decisions around the circumstances of the labour and birth can be thought about beforehand. Any parents with previous experience know that that such a plan must be almost entirely flexible, as the process of birth is not something even modern medicine is able to control.

Have you ever wondered at the 'birth plan' made by the Heavenly Father? Not subject to our limitations, God's designs always come to pass. So, the circumstances of Jesus' birth must have happened entirely to plan. It was God's design that his Messiah (eternal saving king) was to be born to low status parents from a backwater town. God intended a scandal to be in the air, as the not-yet-married young woman was found to be with child. Due to the political self-serving manoeuvrings of human rulers, the parents would have to go through the great upheaval of travelling to live in a different town, miles away, just as the birth was due. Even then, the family guest rooms were already full, so the most-notable birth and subsequent nursing had to happen in the place for keeping animals. Caesar's orders and this lack of a room were vital pieces of God's perfect birth plan. As was the guest list for the baby king's first visitors: those who occupied one of the least admired jobs in Bethlehem society. Then, rather than returning home, God's plan was for the family to become refugees in Egypt in response to King Herod's design against the child's life.

Why would God plan the Saviour's birth to be this way? What difference does it make? Well, it means everything for ordinary people with lives never too far away from challenges or hardship. God was demonstrating that his love was not just for those with high status and well-turned-out lives. The divine birth plan makes it clear that the gift of becoming God's child is not for the rich and powerful who might be able to purchase it. No, it's even for those whose families might have scandals, or live at the whim of politicians, or through lack of means or even international events, are unable to live secure in a home of their own. The manner of Jesus' birth is the great leveller. Absolutely anyone, no matter where they come from or what their lives are like, can receive forgiveness and eternal life as the most amazing Christmas gift. Anyone, that is, who is ready to celebrate the life of Jesus Christ as their own best news in the world.

May you know God's richest blessings this Christmas and in 2023.

Your servant

Daniel

Churchwarden's Corner

We are happy to welcome Rev'd Daniel Whiffin as Vicar of All Saints, Little Cornard and also as Vicar of Assington and Bures. Welcome Daniel, Nicky and the family. There is more good news as Sara Merrit is to be licensed as a Pioneer Reader and Rev'd Tricia Box will be licensed as an Associate Priest to minister across the Benefice.

Thank you to everyone for making the Harvest Fair such a successful event. Our thanks to those who planned the event, those who worked on the days and those who gave money so generously. Also thanks to the Fenn Wright Company as our advertising sponsors.

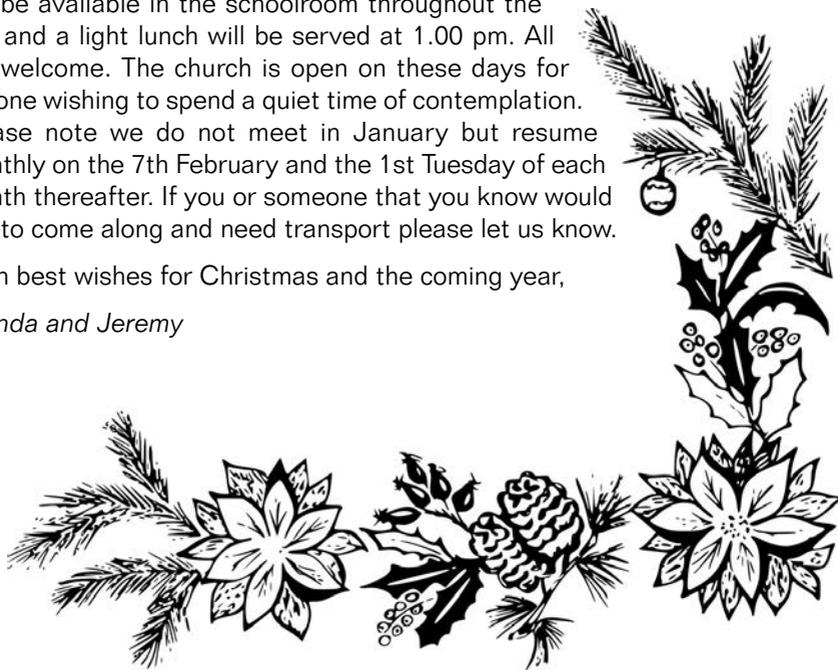
The Harvest Fair weekend was overshadowed by the sudden death of our dear Queen Elizabeth. The Servant Queen, who had reigned for seventy years and was loved by us all. Our Book of Condolence was in the church at the Harvest Fair and afterwards for those wishing to make an entry.

We are looking forward to the Christmas season with the candle lit Carol Service on 18th December at 6.30 pm and the Christmas Day service on 25th at 10.30 am.

Our next First Tuesday Open Church and Café will be on December 6th. Feel free to drop by at any time between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm. Tea and coffee will be available in the schoolroom throughout the day and a light lunch will be served at 1.00 pm. All are welcome. The church is open on these days for anyone wishing to spend a quiet time of contemplation. Please note we do not meet in January but resume monthly on the 7th February and the 1st Tuesday of each month thereafter. If you or someone that you know would like to come along and need transport please let us know.

With best wishes for Christmas and the coming year,

Brenda and Jeremy





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Flower and Cleaning Rota

Once again Thank You to everyone who has continued to help with the flower arranging, cleaning and decorating for the festivals. We now have a new Hoover which is much lighter and easier to use, but we will keep Henry in case anyone prefers to use it.

Marian and I will be doing a new Rota for 2023 so please do let us know if anyone would like to make any changes. At present we are continuing with services on the second and fourth Sundays of each month.

Sue Macdiarmid

News from Cornard Mere

by Robin Ford (Suffolk Wildlife Trust Voluntary Warden)

The central pool had dried out by mid-Summer exposing the peat from which emerged a rich assortment of wild flowers.

Amongst the specialised plants that can take advantage of these conditions is the Celery-leaved Crowfoot or Buttercup *Ranunculus sceleratus*. As the days shorten this plant begins to outstrip its rivals, enlivening the damp



ground with branches of small yellow petals which surround a dense cylindrical head of green carpels or achenes (see picture). I had wondered whether there was a connection between the scientific names for Buttercup *Ranunculus* and Frog *Rana*. I was, therefore delighted to encounter, on a sunny September afternoon, both frogs and froglets hopping across this carpet of wetland flora. *Sceleratus* means wicked and reminded me that the Celery-leaved Buttercup is also poisonous.

Towards the end of October, I welcomed The Dedham Vale and Stour Valley Project volunteers to the Mere. This has become an annual visit and, once again, their task was to coppice Willows. A Sedge Warbler will perform its display flight from the topmost branches of young Willow growth. Hopefully, the work, carried out by the volunteers, will encourage a return visit from this delightful migrant next Spring.

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Storehouse Foodbank

Storehouse Foodbank is a compassion ministry run by Stour Valley Vineyard Church with the aim of helping local families and individuals in crisis. The volunteers will be busy in the run up to Christmas and ask that any donations of seasonal foodstuffs be made by 10th December to give time for the items to be sorted and packed. There are donation points at Sudbury branches of Tesco, Waitrose and Sainsburys and at East of England Co-op shops in Great Cornard, Lavenham and Long Melford. More information including a list of the most needed items can be found at <https://stourvalleyvineyard.org/storehouse>

Ride and Stride 2022

I was accompanied this year by my son Oliver, with his very smart bike and gear, showing up his old Mum on her jalopy with the basket on the front! We covered much the same route as last year starting at Assington and then heading to Hadleigh along lovely leafy lanes via Stoke by Nayland, Polstead and Shelley. Kersey was our lunch stop, then on the next leg, we dropped in on a truly historic church. Lindsey's St James's Chapel dates from the 13th century and is tucked away behind a large hedge by the side of the road. We then headed for Sudbury, via the Waldingfields, and found a further small historic church at Chilton with some fascinating finds inside. After circling round Sudbury we ended up, as before, at Little Cornard, rather late, but not too late for a pint of beer from Jeremy who was still manning the Harvest Fair's beer tent!



It was a most enjoyable bike ride covering twenty eight churches. Thanks to all who donated; including many of Oliver's friends. Half of my £1,000 sponsor money will go to Little Cornard church.

Susan Sills

Little Cornard Parish Council

A Letter from Clive Johnson

In June 1993 I left Tanners Farm in Groton with my wife and family, where for ten years I had farmed one hundred acres, in conjunction with Yorley Farm, which my brother Martin managed. It was a time of soaring interest rates, meaning colossal repayments on loans, from which many small farms didn't survive.

I moved back to Little Cornard, with my wife Anne and our three sons, Dan, Will and James, to combine efforts and consolidate the farming and management of Yorley Farm with Martin. We moved into one of the original farm bungalows, Oak Lodge and started again, building on to the two-bedroom bungalow, increasing it to four bedrooms, to house our expanding family when our youngest son Matthew was born in July 1994.

Martin was a reluctant member of the Little Cornard Parish Council and asked me if I would take his place. I was duly elected and became a councillor alongside Peter Cutmore, Noel King, Roy Parrot, Phil Gooch, amongst others, with Chris Beckett as chairman, in Autumn 1993. Ten years later, Chris stepped down as chairman and I was elected to take his place. A position I have held now for twenty years and thoroughly enjoyed. We have always had a strong, hardworking and dedicated team, who have tried to conduct the best outcomes for our village

Having the tools of the trade, I have enjoyed being able to help in the village: cutting back verges on the roads, doing some hedge cutting where needed, rescuing and towing vehicles when stuck on muddy, wet verges and clearing the roads when we used to have quantities of snow, amongst other little jobs.

Twenty years on and I feel the time has come for a change of chair, so I will be stepping down to give someone else the opportunity to take the reins. I will stay on the council if supported, to assist and help where needed.

Following the death of Martin three years ago, Yorley Farm has changed considerably, with the one hundred acre farm now being owned by three separate persons. I own twenty seven acres which I plan to use for conservation of wildlife, trees, habitat, plants, animals and birds. Resigning as chair will also give me more time to devise and create this aspiration.

My son James has come back from Scotland to help design and run what we now call Yorley Farm Park. Our family have already started to plant trees on five acres to make a wood, in memory of our son Matthew who died in November 2020. We have bought containerised trees from Barchams, near Ely, to give a more established feel to the area but will fill in with whips. Matt had a huge love for nature, so we know he would give his wholehearted approval for our project. We also plan to plant a wildflower area to encourage insect life, a natural haven from insecticides and perhaps encourage a beekeeper to place hives there. On the

greater part of the field we propose to plant a larger area of woodland and also put in place a reservoir or small lake, which we intend to stock with fish.

These are all just ideas at present and a dream of ours to help create an area of beauty and conservation, where the public will be welcome to visit.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone in the village, who have supported me and made my time as chairman such a pleasurable one.

If you would like to come and help with the tree planting please contact me at clive.johnson7@btinternet.com there will be bacon rolls, tea and coffee supplied.

Clive Johnson

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I will include details and totals raised in the Easter magazine.

Sue Macdiarmid

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Scam Awareness with Home Instead

The worldwide pandemic and associated lockdowns haven't only left us with a legacy of everyday infection control measures embedded in our lives, but have also heightened our general awareness of digital scams. A perfect storm of a nation confined to home and fast evolving technology led to a rapid spread in sophisticated scams.



According to a Which analysis scams are up a third since March 2020. Scammers are quick to exploit any opportunities and will pivot their methods to adapt to popular digital communication.

So, what are the “Scams du Jour”?

1) Energy Scams: Scammers may contact you pretending to be from Ofgem and suggest you switch supplier and then ask for your bank details. They may contact you through text message, social media, phone call or knocking on the door. It's important to remember that Ofgem will never approach you to sell energy or ask for personal details.

Another example of an opportunistic energy scam is a communication that claims to be from the local Council and requests bank details to pay the Council tax energy rebate.

What to Do: Inform Ofgem on 02079017295 or your local Council.

2) Phone or Text messages: Look like they are from a trusted source, such as DHL, Hermes or Royal Mail. A plausible message will notify you of a missed parcel and ask for a small payment to rearrange delivery. Once this is completed a 'Bank Official' will call to inform you the charge was a scam and now you must move funds to a 'safe' account. A second, less suspicious scam text looks like it comes from the Post Office and asks you to press a link to a website to locate your nearest pick-up depot. The site will ask you to enter personal details that can then be used to commit identity fraud, so the attack on your bank account will come later.

What to do: report to on www.actionfraud.police.uk or 0300 123 2040. Contact citizens advice helpline 0808 2231 133

3) HMRC The fake texts and emails look very convincing, but the tax man will never email you about a tax rebate or refund or ask you for any personal information,

including your national insurance number, passport number or driving licence details.

What to do: visit www.gov.uk or call 0300 2003310

4) Investment Scams: It is illegal for anyone to call to offer a free pension review, so always hang up. Fake bond and ISA websites can be very convincing and look very similar to the legitimate company they are imitating. For example: www.avivauk.com or www.avivabonds.com instead of www.aviva.co.uk.

What to do: report any suspicion of investment scams to The Financial Conduct Authority www.fca.org.uk , 0800 1116768.

5) NHS Scams These scams evolve with every health scare, recent text messages claim to come from the NHS, telling recipients that they have been in close contact with someone who had a confirmed Omicron Covid variant infection and that they should press the link to order a test kit.

Finally, a reminder that it takes two to hang up on a phone call. So, if you receive a call with a number that looks like your bank or utility company and you do the right thing and call back to verify it is them, call from a different phone because they may have left the original line open.



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The Bell Tower Report

We continue to practise on Wednesday evenings and ring for each Sunday Service. Our three new learners are progressing well. They have been having some separate practise sessions on Thursday evenings to help them to develop more quickly. The core band continues to improve.

There is a general shortage of bell ringers across the country now and the Guilds are trying to interest more people in learning in readiness for next year's Coronation: a campaign dubbed Ring for the King, so please do come along any Wednesday evening at 7.00 pm if you would like to give it a try. You will be made welcome. Age is no barrier.

Much has happened since our last report: We rang on the occasion of the Queen's passing by tolling the tenor bell half muffled. Muffles are leather pads that are fitted to one side of the clapper which dulls the strike to a hum from the bell: a very poignant sound. Beginning at noon the following day, 9th September, ninety six blows, one for each year of Her Majesty's life were struck and after a short break a further seventy blows, one for each year of her reign. That was followed by open ringing for the King's Accession to the throne and then back to tolling half muffled for the Queen's funeral. We have recorded these events for the Little Cornard band online with CCCBR (Central Council of Church Bell Ringers).

We were pleased to ring for our new Vicar Daniel's first service here at All Saints. I also took part in ringing at Bures Church for Daniel's inauguration and for his first service there. He is a thoroughly nice chap so do make a point of meeting him.

Some of the Little Cornard band attended a training day at Norwich's Mancroft Ringing Discovery Centre on August 20th.

We have had further visiting bands here over recent weeks. One visit was from the Suffolk Guild of Bell Ringers who made a recording of the church bells for posterity. This will be available to listen to online in due course. The bells and band are well known and well regarded both by the Suffolk Guild and the Essex Association of



A leather muffle on a bell clapper dulls the sound of a strike to a poignant hum.



Bell with clapper. Medieval oak frame above.

Change Ringers (there are separate guilds for each county). This church is very popular now as a location to visit and it all helps to bring people to the church events and services. We have a few more tower visits booked in the coming weeks. All visitors express their appreciation of the beauty of the area that we live in. Something perhaps we all sometimes take for granted.

We plan to have the first quarter peal rung by Suffolk Guild members and helpers on All Saints Day, November 1st. It was thought that appropriate as we are, of course, All Saints Church. It takes about forty five minutes to ring a quarter peal. That's around one thousand, two hundred and sixty changes of the bells. Hope you may have heard it.

We will be ringing on November 21st for the Licensing Service to be conducted by Archdeacon David and again for the Christmas Carol Service on the 18th December. Hope to see you there. We are also in the process of planning the ringing for the Coronation of King Charles 111 early next year.

We will be offering some ringing opportunities at the Flower Festival in May and in the meantime will be pleased to see any of you on a Wednesday evening who would like to learn this traditional skill, so do come along.

Gerald Bird

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A Refugee in Little Cornard



The Rectory, Little Cornard from Christel Wolff's scrapbook

Southwold which acted as a hub from where it seems the children were dispersed to foster homes. It seems likely that it was against this background that Christel Wolff arrived in England.

Earlier this year Little Cornard resident Gerald Bird was contacted by a gentleman named Alan Mann who had recently acquired a child's scrapbook.

Alan writes: A few months ago I purchased a child's scrapbook which I know relates to a Jewish child refugee named Christel Wolff. What I know is that Christel Wolff was sent to England by her parents who were living in Essen, Germany. The scrapbook was given to her by her Uncle, and contains sketches and messages from 1938 through to the end of the Second World War. The early sketches and messages from 1938-40 appear to come from Suffolk, and in particular the village of Little Cornard. Why Little Cornard? It may have been that her parents had friends in the village or it could have been a gesture by some religious people as the Church and in particular the Quakers would make especially after the Kristallnacht/November pogroms.

After 1940 it would appear that Christel was sent to North Somerset, where she seems to have stayed at an orphanage called Nore House. As she may have been of an age where she could work, she may have been helping out in the orphanage or it was where she lived alongside other young people."

Gerald writes: Several evacuees came to the Little Cornard Rectory. They were housed there and some were passed out to local families. My own grandmother fostered lots of Barnado's children through those years and after.

Half of The Old Rectory was demolished back in the 1970's and a new house was



Sawyers Farmhouse, from Christel Wolff's scrapbook



The Kirk family, from Christel Wolff's scrapbook

built next to it. Coincidentally the surname of the current owners is Mann. Mr and Mrs Mann took part when I organised an Open Gardens event in the village a few years ago to raise funds for the bells restoration project. The remaining half of the old building is used for storage. The photograph of the Rectory is exactly as I remember it when, as a lad over fifty years ago, I used to deliver their newspapers. The image is dated Easter 1938 and bears the initials JMP: possibly the wife or other family member of the then rector, Rev'd Pratt. The Kirk family lived at Sawyers Farm. It is a remote farmhouse, set in a wood. Mr and Mrs Kirk kept horses and used to ride down to the shops past our house in a pony and trap. My older brother Peter, now ninety years of age, remembers them well. As far as I know there are no longer any Kirk family members left in the village.

Gerald Bird

Neighbourhood Plan and National Grid Updates

There is not too much to report about National Grid's proposals. We await their response to the latest consultation but at the moment I am pleased they seem committed to undergrounding across the valley and have assured us that they will keep large vehicles away from our lanes. Both Government and NG are under pressure to provide a better long term solution involving more undersea cables but this would be unlikely to change proposals for our Parish.

Our Neighbourhood Plan has been formally accepted and Babergh have to take it into account when making planning decisions. The Parish Council are working out how to ensure the objectives are met which will include keeping residents informed on a regular basis.

I hope to have more information after Christmas so I wish you all a happy and peaceful time.

Nick Hammond

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Christmas & New Year Waste Collection Schedule 2022-23

Refuse (general rubbish) & recycling collections

Collections will take place as normal up to, and including, Friday 23 December 2022.

From Monday 26 December 2022 to Saturday 14 January 2023, refuse and recycling collections will be on an amended schedule.

	Usual collection date	Amended collection date	Change
Recycling	Monday 26 December 2022	Wednesday 28 December 2022	2 days later
	Tuesday 27 December 2022	Thursday 29 December 2022	2 days later
	Wednesday 28 December 2022	Friday 30 December 2022	2 days later
	Thursday 29 December 2022	Saturday 31 December 2022	2 days later
	Friday 30 December 2022	Tuesday 3 January 2023	4 days later
Refuse	Monday 2 January 2023	Wednesday 4 January 2023	2 days later
	Tuesday 3 January 2023	Thursday 5 January 2023	2 days later
	Wednesday 4 January 2023	Friday 6 January 2023	2 days later
	Thursday 5 January 2023	Saturday 7 January 2023	2 days later
	Friday 6 January 2023	Monday 9 January 2023	3 days later
Recycling	Monday 9 January 2023	Tuesday 10 January 2023	1 day later
	Tuesday 10 January 2023	Wednesday 11 January 2023	1 day later
	Wednesday 11 January 2023	Thursday 12 January 2023	1 day later
	Thursday 12 January 2023	Friday 13 January 2023	1 day later
	Friday 13 January 2023	Saturday 14 January 2023	1 day later

From Monday 16 January 2023, collections return to the normal refuse and recycling collection schedule.

Garden waste (brown bin) collections

Collections will take place as normal up to, and including, Friday 23 December 2022.

There will be no garden waste collections during the weeks commencing 26 December 2022 and 2 January 2023.

From Monday 9 January 2023, collections return to the normal garden waste collection schedule.



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In addition the library will deliver to anyone who finds it difficult to visit in person, including those living in care homes. To join the mobile library complete the online joining form or visit any Suffolk Mobile Library with proof of identity. The service is free to use. More information is available at www.suffolklibraries.co.uk or you can contact the library service by telephoning 01473 351249 or email help@suffolklibraries.co.uk

Art Exhibition

I would like to thank Julie Iveson and her team for organising the art exhibition and for making such a generous contribution to our funds. The exhibition was held as part of the Harvest Fair and was much enjoyed by us all.

Sue Macdiarmid



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The Parish Magazine Eighty years ago

Wartime and, as you might imagine, the Parish Magazine looked somewhat different to today's version. It measured 9.5" x 7" (18 x 24 cm) and was for the parishes of Bildeston, Hitcham, Monks Eleigh with Chelsworth, Brent Eleigh with Milden, Kersey, Elmsett, Great Waldingfield, Preston, Edwardstone, Groton, Lavenham, Cockfield, Shimpling with Alpheton, Boxford, Assington, Bradfield St Clare, Whatfield with Semer, Little Cornard and Lawshall. A copy of the August 1942 edition, sent by a Little Cornard mother to her son who was serving in the RAF survives. The pages are thin, typical wartime quality paper. The front cover features a black and white image of the font at Preston Church and inside, as well as an insert called The Sentinel which contains news items from around the country, pages for children and The Sentinel Circle, "The readers forum for exchanging useful personal experience in home affairs" there are reports from each of the churches. Little Cornard's reads as follows:

Marriage.

July 18th: Cecil Wade Deeks and Dorothy Agnes Pinhey

Burial.

July 2nd: Frederick Game, aged 81 years.

Another member of our little community has been laid to rest. Frederick Game was a man of the old school, now rapidly disappearing. Fidelity and stability were their marks. Active to the last he passed away in peace.

Readers will be looking for some account of two events fresh in their minds when these pages come to hand. But they cannot be described because they have not taken place. All that can be done is to explain why they are not here. The MS. goes to press before the 18th.

In a section headed HERE and THERE which brought news from overseas it is reported that Christians are supervising relief work in China where it is needed on a stupendous scale for a population suffering from war, flood and famine. The Bishop of Chota Nagpur records that the rise in the money value of rice has promoted local self-support by the Church in that rice producing area. By contrast the Bishop of Melanesia records that the only product there is copra, for which there is no market owing to the lack of shipping facilities. In consequence the contributions of the church in one of the larger islands, which formerly amounted to an average of £275 annually had dwindled to the point where at a recent service, with two hundred and thirty six communicants, the total collection was in porpoise teeth with not even a solitary ever-dreaded-by-the-churchwardens-in-England threepenny piece.

Closer to home and from Lavenham we learn that the Rector, M. Fountain Page is pleased to note that the choir stalls are well filled again and congratulates Mr Ronald Jarvis "upon securing the services of several new boys". Their parents are encouraged to speak to them regarding Punctuality (both at church and at practice), Obedience, Cleanliness and Reverence. A prayer is suggested "that each boy might do well to learn by heart, and to use at least on Sundays." It is also noted that at Church Parades the Lavenham platoon of the

Home Guard "have given us all an opportunity to see what a 'soldierly' force the Home Guard now is."

There are advertisements of course, amongst them are R. Stiff and Sons, Kersey who remind readers that they are Grocers, Drapers, Clothiers, Wholesale and Retail Tobacconists, General Warehousemen, Wireless sets and repairs and Agents for Henderson's Plough Shares. King's Garage at Lavenham advise that Drive Yourself Modern Saloons are still available to hire. Prices from 3d per mile and finally, Williams Turner's (Stowmarket) Ltd advertise Dressmaking by Experienced Fitter and Skilled Workers. Use your coupons to best advantage. Special attention to Telephone and Post Orders.

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Village Hall

The Management Committee have once again been busy on behalf of the village!

Clive Johnson took his tractor down to the newly acquired piece of ground adjacent to the car park and prepared it for sowing with grass and wild flower seed, which was sown by Mark Irwin and Nigel Monk, Clive rolled the grass in with his tractor. The seed has germinated really well and will be ready for its first cut in the spring. Trees have also been ordered and will be planted this autumn. The hedge to the new boundary, planted a year ago, has taken really well too.

A Working Party provided a well-needed car park tidy up on 1st October which has opened up the driveway considerably. Clive had already very kindly trimmed the hedges – thank you Clive. Anthony Clarke very kindly painted the wall in the kitchen which was bare plaster following the installation of the new double glazed window – thank you Anthony. Bacon rolls and tea/coffee were provided to keep everyone fed and watered.

We held a Quiz Night on 8th October which raised over £500 to help with ever rising costs of maintenance and electricity. Mark devised the quiz with the help of Sue, his wife. It certainly was a brain teaser!! A delicious supper of Chilli and Baked Potato followed by scrumptious desserts was cooked by the ladies of the committee and very well received. Special thanks go to Karen Clarke and Liz Smith for cooking the Chilli and Potatoes. A raffle was also held – thank you to all who provided prizes. The Quiz was over-subscribed but one or two people did drop out at the last minute which enabled us to offer places to the people on the reserve list. For future events, we may need to ask for a deposit in case of no shows. Thank you to everyone who came to support the fund raiser.

The clothing bank in the car park is bringing in small amounts of money (every little helps!). Please remember to use it to deposit your unused clothes, shoes, handbags and belts. Condition doesn't matter as money is paid on the weight of items collected.

A five year electrical safety certificate has been obtained and electrical equipment PAT tested. All Health & Safety matters are up to date.

Projects for the Winter/Spring:

- Replace and repair soffits and fix guttering properly prior to repair and painting of exterior walls and window frames.
- Have plans drawn up for upgrade of WC facilities to include a Disabled facility, obtain quotations and apply for planning approval and grants to complete.

Our village hall is in good condition and availability for hire is good.

Village Hall Management Committee

Little Cornard Community Speed Watch

At last, on 31st October, the Automatic Number Plate Recognition scheme arrived in Little Cornard. This device is very similar to the Speed Indicator Device that is already in place but in addition has a camera that records the vehicle registration number of every car that passes. This information is then used by the Suffolk and Norfolk constabularies who will contact drivers who have exceeded the 30 mph speed limit. There is great demand for the ANPR devices so it will only be with us for one week before moving onto another village. We expect it to be back with us after an approximately three month interval for a further week and in another position on the Bures Road within Little Cornard.

The CSW team are battling on and trying to carry out surveys twice a week if possible, depending on the weather and the availability of the five team members. We were joined by James Cartlidge, MP for South Suffolk, on 30th October so that he could see at first hand the difficulties we are facing and he will be looking into how the data that we collect is being used by the police departments.

May I make another plea to anyone who can spare an hour once a week, fortnight or even monthly to come along and join us as we try to improve the safety of pedestrians and drivers on this busy, narrow and bendy stretch of road. Please contact me on 07990 927155.

Thank you.

Janice Sampson

Decorating the Church for Christmas

We will be decorating the church as usual for the Carol Service and Christmas. If anyone would like to help with this please get in touch with Marian Turner 01787 377889 or me, Sue Macdiarmid 01787 375858.

LITTLE CORNARD PARISH COUNCIL

All meetings start at 7pm and members of the public or press may attend.

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Epiphany Tart



The recipe for Epiphany Tart dates from the early eighteenth century but was particularly popular with the Victorians. The aim was to make the tart as colourful as possible using different jams and preserves to fill the thirteen spaces, one each for Jesus and the twelve disciples, creating a representation of a stained glass window.

Ingredients

Short crust pastry made using 200g (8oz) of plain flour, 100g (4oz) of butter, a pinch of salt, water to mix.

Differently coloured jams and preserves e.g. marmalade, lemon curd etc.

Method

Roll out two thirds of the pastry and use it to line a 20cm (8") pie plate or flan dish. Roll out the remaining pastry, cut into strips and use the strips to create the star shape in the tart base (see photo). Use the jams and preserves to fill each of the spaces.

Bake the tart in a preheated oven at fan 170C, conventional oven 190C, gas 5 for around 30 minutes, or until the pastry is cooked.

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