# SCULTHORPE MESSENGER

December 2024



NEWS AND VIEWS FROM CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

#### NEWS FROM SCULTHORPE PARISH CHURCH

#### So... are you ready for Christmas?

This is, of course, a busy time for the church and we have a few services and events on this month.

Starting on the **10<sup>th</sup> December** the Sculthorpe CE Primary Academy Nativity Play is the main, most important event in the village. The children will be telling the story of Jesus's birth twice today, at 2pm and 6pm.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> December Liz Dark will be leading the Costal Vocals for a Christmas Concert at 6pm (5:30pm for mulled wine). This will be stupendous so do come along. There will be more details somewhere else in the Messenger.

The school will be performing again on the 19<sup>th</sup> **December** at 2pm when they will treat us to a Christingle service. It means such a lot to the children to have an audience so please try to support them.

NOTE: THE 'USUAL SERVICE' HAS MOVED FROM THE THIRD TO THE 4TH SUNDAY, just for this month. The 22<sup>nd</sup> December is the date for the service of readings and carols.

For those of you who like to go to Midnight Mass South Creake will welcome you at 11pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> and North Creake are the hosts for Family Communion on the 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

Some of you may find it difficult to get up to the church, if we can help with a lift then please contact one of us.

We hope to see you at one, two or maybe at all our events or services and wish you all a very Happy Christmas.

If you have any need to contact any of us then here is the information you will need. For ecclesiastical queries it's 07480 065063 or <a href="mailto:clivewylie@dioceseofnorwich.org">clivewylie@dioceseofnorwich.org</a> for Father Clive. For bits and pieces, it's Pam 01328 853532, Claire 01328 863193 or Carol 01328 862185.

If you need to find what is on at the church then put sculthorpe.org.uk into your search engine.

#### **CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX 2024**

Shoe boxes for Blythewood Care. Thank you very much to everyone who has donated a shoe box, items to be included in shoe boxes, knitted items, or money towards the 2024 Christmas Appeal. 44 boxes and many packages of beautifully knitted items will be collected from me on 13<sup>th</sup> November to start their long journey to Kosovo. My thanks also to Wendy Smith and Pam Johnson who collected from the Holkham area and Sculthorpe respectively. – *Angela Elliott* 

Thank you so much to all of you who filled a shoebox. Unlike Angela we were down on last year, but every box will give someone in very difficult circumstances a little bit of joy. If anyone would like to be included next year please get in touch. I have already started on mine for 2025. I think I must be an addict! — Pamela Johnson

pamelajohnson5@btinternet.com



The first picture shows Annette from our local collection point at Aylsham who went last year to assist with the distribution of shoe boxes. The second picture shows children queueing for a shoe box.

#### COMPANY THIS CHRISTMAS

I would like to visit anyone who may be on their own at Christmas and would like some company for a chat and cuppa, maybe even extending this beyond Christmas as a volunteer befriender.

Contact details 01328 851954 (leave a message with phone number) and/or email lianelaurier1976@hotmail.co.uk

#### CREAKES CHAMBER CHOIR

Handel's "The Messiah" parts 1 and 3 on Sunday 8th December at 7:45pm in the Church of the Annunciation, Friday Market, Little Walsingham.
Tickets £8, under 18s free.
Sung by the Creakes Chamber Choir, the Pilgrim Singers and the Walsingers Children's Choir, as part of the Walsingham Winter Weekend.
Come and sing or just listen, more details from Justin Harmer on 07950 882824.

#### SCULTHORPE PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have had a wonderful Autumn Term so far at Sculthorpe Primary Academy. Within Fireflies class (Years 2, 3 and 4) we have been learning the Ukulele and will be holding a Christmas Concert later this month. We have been working closely with the Beaver Trust and learnt all about Beavers and how we can help the environment, we are looking forward to visiting the beavers at the Hawk and Owl Trust next year! We made beaver dams and were able to touch the skulls and felt of some beavers!— *Miss Rope* 



# SCULTHORPE AVIATOR OUIZ NIGHT

#### **LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

QUIZ STARTS AT 7:00

MAX PER GROUP - 6 PEOPLE

LIGHT SNACKS AVAILABLE DURING FIRST HALF
£3 PER PERSON - £1 GOES TOWARDS OUR

CHARITY



# The Anchorage Pool Sculthorpe

**Private Swimming Pool Hire** 

theanchoragepool@hotmail.com

Text/Voicemail Liz at 07765 911053

Open - Mon to Thurs/All day Sat/ Sun 8am - 2pm

Unique gift idea! Swim sessions at the Anchorage! FAKENHAM CHORAL SOCIETY TO BE JOINED BY NORFOLK-BORN SOPRANO ELEANOR OLDFIELD FOR ITS CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Join Fakenham Choral Society (FCS) for an evening of festive favourites at its 2024 Christmas Concert. The choir, directed by Mark Jones, will be joined by

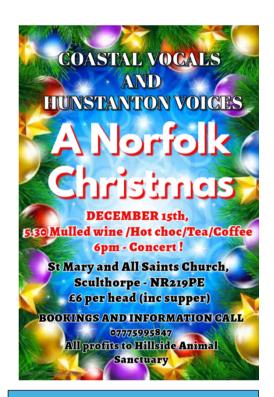
musicians and soprano Eleanor Oldfield, who was born and raised in North Norfolk and has recently graduated from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

The concert is at 5.30 pm on Saturday 14th December at Fakenham Parish Church. The programme will include Sir Karl Jenkins' 'Joy to the World', Sir John Rutter's 'Magnificat' and other festive music. There are opportunities for audience participation in some much-loved Christmas carols.

"'Joy to the World' is a choral sequence of nine Christmas carols from across the world in fresh and vibrant arrangements," said Mark Jones. "The combination of Joy to the World with John Rutter's exciting Magnificat, as well as some well-known carols, will make a delightful start to the festive season for both audience and performers".

Admission is free (with a retiring collection), and the choir is expecting a full house so please arrive early to secure your seat.

Information about the choir can be found at www.fakenhamchoralsociety.org.





Festive Cake and a

Cuppa

at Sculthorpe Village Hall

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December 10am-12pm

£2 entry

(includes a raffle ticket, tea/coffee, bacon roll & mince pie)



## THE NOTICEBOARD

#### **FESTIVE SUPPER CLUB**



Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 6:30pm *at* 

#### The Aviator

#### Two courses for £15.00

chosen from current menu (from starter, main or dessert)

Booking is essential, please call The Aviator on 01328 856744 quoting 'Sculthorpe Supper Club' to get the discounted price.

Vegetarian, vegan and allergies catered for.

Arranged by the Sculthorpe Village Hall Committee.

#### SCULTHORPE MESSENGER

Please contact me by 16<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 20<sup>th</sup> JANUARY with any notices or features of interest for the JANUARY FEBRUARY issue.

alexrstoker@gmail.com or call Vyv on 01328 851985

#### Charity of Francis Beckham Charity No 207618

The trust owns 5 Almshouses in Moor Lane as well as the allotments in The Street and Moor Lane, the playing field and paddock in Moor Lane and part of Sculthorpe Moor. The expenditure each year in mainly for the repairs and maintenance of these properties.

The trust can provide some support to residents of the Parish who may need charitable help. Please contact the Clerk to the Trustees or one of the Trustees if you, or someone you know in the Parish, would benefit from some assistance.

The Trustees are:

Peter Greenslade

David Smith

Karen Howard

Roger London Rev Clive Wylie

Clerk to the Trustees: Jacky Taylor

Email: francisbeckhamtrust@gmail.com

# SCULTHORPE VILLAGE HALL ENQUIRIES FOR

**BOOKING** 

Contact Vyv Mathews on 01328 851985 or email

vyv\_5cw@yahoo.co.uk

for hourly cost, deposit details and to book the hall.

## CHURCH SERVICES Evening Worship

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at 5pm All welcome, do come along and join us.

#### VILLAGE HALL EVENTS DECEMBER AND JANUARY

#### Mon

6:00pm – 7:00pm **Platten Fitness** – to book contact 07557569975 / <a href="http://www.plattenfitness.com/">http://www.plattenfitness.com/</a> From 7th October to end of March

#### Tues

10:00am – 12:00pm Cake & Cuppa – last Tuesday monthly, all welcome

6:00pm – 7:00pm **Flow with Bels** – to book contact Annabel Greenwood, annabel.greenwood@gmail.com / 07896 476763

7:15pm – 8:15pm **Clubbercise with Bels** – to book Annabel Greenwood, annabel.greenwood@gmail.com / 07896 476763

#### Weds

6:00pm – 7:00pm **Keep Fit** – book with sue@cardiocore.co.uk

#### **Thurs**

10:15am – 11:15am **TinyTalk Toddler Talking** – contact 07450 549025 / rosiegilding@tinytalk.co.uk

11:30am – 12:30pm **Baby Signing** – contact 07450 549025 / rosiegilding@tinytalk.co.uk

book your space on the mats, http://www.bookwhen.com/tinytalknorthnorfolk

7:00 – 9:00pm **Gateway** – fortnightly (term time only)

#### Fri

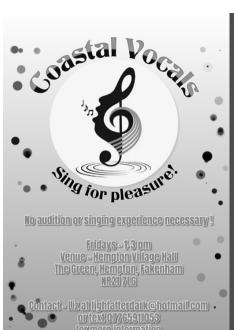
6:30pm – 8:00pm Creakes Chamber Choir – term time only

#### Regular Bookings for 2025

**Peppy Neds.** Pop-up bakeshop – doughnuts/bakes and beverages. Saturdays 10:00am – 12:00pm: 25 January, 22 February, 29 March, 26 April

**Parish Council Meetings 2025.** First Wednesday of every other month from 7:00pm – 9:00pm, next meeting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January

Methodist Church Coffee Fundraiser Morning. Saturday 5th March, 10:00am – 12:00pm





Fakenham Road, Sculthorpe, NR21 9NE

Home & Locally Produced Meat, Veg & Plants



#### **OPEN**



Thursday - Saturday 10am - 5pm Sunday 10am - 4pm

info@themeadowsfarmshop.co.uk www.themeadowsfarmshop.co.uk

### DAVID THOMPSON CHIMNEY SWEEP

- All chimneys, flues & appliances swept
- Brush & vacuum used
- CCTV Chimney Surveys
- vent cap & cowls supplied & fitted NVQ qualified

Bird/rain guards,



01328 851081 www.the-sweep.co.uk D. Thompson Chimneys Ltd

Chimney engineer

## **GOOCH**

PEST CONTROL





Moles, Rabbits, Rats, Mice, Wasps FREE ESTIMATES GIVEN

Fully Insured

Please call Paul on:

07789 776369