



2016

Ed's Comments

**I'm not usually into**

**commercialisation** of dates and events

but I wonder if there isn't something in the American wider view of Valentine's Day. Having been disappointed in the past when giving and not receiving a card (a common woman's plight I fear!) I was touched by the Valentine cards, many of them home-made, that I saw the American children give to their friends (male and female) when I taught in a school with an American airbase in the catchment area. I was even more touched by the ones I received as their teacher. Are we British a bit less generous with our feelings or do we show them in different ways?

There was certainly plenty of evidence of true feeling over Christmas and New Year when we celebrated by coming together at events like the Village Lunch and Carol Services. There was sadness too as we said goodbye to friends and loved ones like Alex Gilmour who belonged to the Scrabble Club and will leave a hole in many people's lives. I never knew there were so many different Scots words that could be used in Scrabble! Those who came to the Village New Year Coffee Morning also came together in friendship and raised £42 for Beaumond House. Perhaps we just show our feelings in a different way! So here is a greeting for all of you!

**Annie Purday**

*"There is nothing on this  
earth more to be prized than  
true friendship."*

*~ Thomas Aquinas*

*Happy Valentine's Day,  
my friend!*

Closing date for the February issue is **Friday 19th February**

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## LUNCH CLUB

The **March** Lunch Club will be at 12.30 p.m. on Monday, March 7th at the Community Centre.

The menu will be:



Roast Chicken Breast  
with Sage and Onion Stuffing

OR



Oven Baked Cod with Parsley Sauce

With Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables

-x- Lemon Mascarpone Cheesecake with Cream

-x-

Tea or Coffee



£8 including a glass of wine

Contact Tish Applewhite (643763) if you need to reserve your place and give your choice of menu.

Thank you. Tish Applewhite

NB The **February** Lunch Club is on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February** as advertised in last month's Focal Point

## GARDEN CLUB SOCIAL

Our social evening was just that, members enjoying the company of like-minded individuals engaging in conversation and fortified by huge quantities of food and in some cases the odd glass of wine.

Entertainment was again provided by Pat Finn with an assortment of written puzzles plus games of bingo. Pat not only does this but also provides prizes. He was roundly applauded for his outstanding contribution to the club.

Details of our main excursions were announced. Following the success of last year's trip to RHS Wisley we are again going away for two days. The dates are June 1st & 2nd. On day one we travel to North Wales, with a visit to the

Dorothy Clive garden en route. Our overnight stay is at the Best Western Waterloo in Betws-y-Coed where we have Dinner and B&B. The next day we travel to Bodnant Gardens. From



there we travel homewards, stopping for an evening meal along the way. This is open to non-members, the only limit being size of coach and available hotel accommodation. Members are asked for a deposit of £25 at the February meeting and this applies to anyone wanting to join us.

An additional one day outing is planned for July 27th to Sandringham to coincide with the flower show. Again this will be open to non-members. Anyone wanting further details should contact Julie Parker on 893371 or Ian Wilson on 686249.

Finally, our speaker season resumes on February 17th when Sally Smith talks of Muck & Magic. The venue and time is as usual the Community Centre at 7.30pm. **Ian Wilson**



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22 January 2016

Happy New Year Everyone!

We all had a lovely Christmas and New Year and I hope that you did too.

We are back into the swing of things here at School. The children have settled back into routine beautifully and are working hard once more. Our extra-curriculum clubs have also started and this term we're offering 'creative', 'choir', 'cheer-leading' and 'construction'.

Some of our infants are also continuing to learn how to play the violin through our 'Fiddlesticks' club and we're providing the usual football and netball clubs to support our school teams through the week.

SATs – the national tests for Year 6s (our oldest children) are looming on the distant horizon (May) and so work is already

underway to give those children extra support in the form of additional clubs to boost their maths and literacy. So we have quite a range of additional activities taking place this term.

It is not all about hard work though. Classes 2 and 4 are studying 'space' as their topic this term and will be visiting the National Space Centre as part of their studies.

Class 3 are taking part in the RSPB Bird Watch and staff are organising for 'Hawks of Steele' to come into school with their selection of birds,



which include birds of prey, and to allow the children the opportunity to watch a flying display and handle some of the animals.

Our next 'Community Dinner' will be Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Please come along and join us. The cost of the meal is £2.58 each and if you could let the office know on 01636 680060 if you'd like to come that would be wonderful. We look forward to welcoming you then.

Best Wishes

*Caron Ementon*



## **Winthorpe Summer Festival 2016**

The Festival Committee are planning to hold the Summer Festival on **Saturday 23rd July, 2016** at the Community Centre. This is later than we usually hold the event, but we hope you will put it in your diaries and come along to support us in raising money for our designated charities (to be announced at a later date).

More information will follow in future editions of Focal Point.

**Sue Masheder** (Festival Committee)

### **LIBRARY VAN DATES FOR 2016 (MONDAYS)**

18 JAN	11 APRIL	4 JULY	24 OCT
15 FEB	9 MAY	1 AUG	21 NOV
14 MAR	6 JUNE	26 SEPT	19 DEC

<b>LIBRARY VAN TIMES</b>		<b>ARRIVE</b>	<b>DEPART</b>
Winthorpe	Spinney Estate	9.40	10.00
Winthorpe	49 Pocklington Cresc	10.05	10.25
Winthorpe	Former Post Office	10.30	10.50
Langford	Langford Hall Farm	10.55	11.10
Holme	Snaefell, Langford Lane	11.20	11.30
Holme	Southview Farm	11.35	11.55

## **Drs Terrill, Fearn, Li & Walker**

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## **WINTHORPE VILLAGE HALL GETS A NEW PICTURE!**

Bob McClymont, the Chairman of the Village Hall Trust, welcomed three members of Newark Art Club to the AGM of the Village Hall on 27th November 2015; the Chairman and his wife, Mr & Mrs Geeson and Mr Roger Bailey.

Mr Bailey said that to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Newark Art Club, the club was presenting examples of their work

to local charities and public buildings. Roger Bailey presented one of his own paintings – a wolf – which will be displayed in the hall.

The committee thanked Mr. John Geeson, President of the Art Club and Mr Bailey. Barbara Woodcock

*The pastel painting is called 'The Sentinel' by Roger Bailey of the Newark Art Club.*



# WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2016, the Parish Council held its finance meeting followed by the main council meeting in the village hall.

The Council have been contacted by a body called Midland Rural Housing, who are working on behalf of Newark and Sherwood District Council, looking into affordable housing in local villages. They would like to undertake a survey in Winthorpe and get the villagers views on this matter. A representative is to come to the next Parish Council meeting to explain this in more detail. The Council will keep you informed of the outcome of the meeting.

The Council have been offered the use of a mobile speed gun for a trial use in the village. The Council has been made aware of a number of volunteers who would like to assist in this scheme. Further discussions are to be held and I will keep Focal Point updated on this matter.

The matter of traffic congestion was again raised following a number of recent events at the Showground. The Parish Council have written to the Highways Agency as they are responsible for traffic on the A46. A response is awaited.

The Council has received a communication in relation to Phase 3 of Langford Quarry. Tarmac is undertaking a "Scoping Study" and asked if the Parish Council had any issues that they wanted adding in the study. The new proposals will extend the existing quarry by 40 acres and will extend its life by up to 10 years. Although the proposal will bring the quarry nearer to Holme, the Council have been assured that it will have no impact on Winthorpe or Holme as Tarmac were making every provision to screen the site off. Details of the proposals will be placed on the village notice boards in the near future.

**Mrs Sally Sillery – Parish Clerk**



Melanie (aged 5) . . . asked her Granny how old she was.

Granny replied that she was so old she didn't remember anymore.

Melanie said "If you don't remember you must look in the back of your pants - mine says five to six." Mike Casterton



# Text Messages - Old Style

An Analogy by Bob Warriner

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Imagine life without mobile phones, computers, or even landline telephones? It is be very difficult to envisage these days but most of us know that there were such times.

From the early 1900's up to the 1960's (when the telephone became more accessible and affordable to the ordinary household) the simplest method of communication was to use the humble postcard to reach all corners of the British Isles and beyond. Of course the letter in an envelope was an option but the postcard was the cheapest with the halfpenny stamp being the lesser postal charge.

One enterprising Victorian photographer spotted a niche market and founded the publishing business of Francis Frith & Co of Reigate, Surrey. The Frith name went on to become probably the best known pictorial postcard company in Britain.

Soon after his marriage in 1860 he embarked on the ambitious project of photographing every town, village and place of natural beauty or historical interest in the whole of UK. (Maybe he didn't have a shed!)

Much of the travelling in rural areas was done on his bicycle with a trailer attached to carry his large box camera, tripod, stepladders and other necessary equipment. He died in 1898 without fully completing the task but others from his company continued the work.

After the 1960's people continued to use postcards but mostly from holiday situations advising friends and relatives that they "wish you were here"??? (Did they really mean it?)

We are now in the 21st Century and the advances made on mobile phones have all but eliminated the need to put pen to card. You can now send messages, photos, or even video chat live using the skype system from practically anywhere in the world. There are of course the other media networks of "Facebook" & "Twitter" etc. which need to be mentioned for better or worse!



So in an age where electronic gadgetry was none existent, in a time when steam was the rising power for nationwide transport, the tiny picture postcard was the favoured way to relay the trivial and sometimes useful messages to family or friends just the same as texting or calling is today.

One difference between now and then is that we needed to be able to write instead of tapping buttons, but one might be amused to see that by entering your message the opposite way up to the address might prevent the postman or others from reading your private personal chatter!!!

(Early encryption eh?) Can you do that with a mobile phone?

(A) This framed style printed card posted Newark 2 Dec 1908 taken from near the foot of the A1 embankment shows the lodge to the Grange in full view. The white railings either side mark a bridging of the stream that joins the River Fleet at the corner of the allotments site on Holme Lane.

\*Note the frame also bears the Newark Coat of Arms.



The Pictorial or Topographical postcard was the most popular choice but more wealthy users had “selfies” made by local photographers who printed cards with images of themselves or family on the front face.

As colour photography publishing was not yet widely used in Frith's time a process known as "tinting" was used to colour the cards. It was a job farmed out to cottage workers, whereas the amateur artist painted over the printed photograph card to a predefined pattern, giving the card the impression of it being a coloured picture. Although some publishers were more advanced and could reproduce pre coloured pictures. These would have been more expensive to print thus more expensive to buy. (A) on the previous page is an example of the latter



(A) Text reads: "D'r A, How do you like this style of p.c. Yours was A.I. have not stopped collecting yet. Are having very cold weather, B"

It is addressed to: Mr. Hopkinson, 25, King Richard St, Stoke, Coventry, Warwickshire. It was published by A & G Taylor's "Orthochrome" Series, Queen Victoria St, London

(B) This next card viewed from the near old village hall looking down Gainsborough Road towards the green shows in its infancy, the tree that was cut down to ground level last year 2015. I believe the nearest building on the right behind the hedge housed the old post office. The card is postmarked Newark 17 Aug 1922.

(B)



Text reads: "We shall arrive home Friday about 5pm as near as I can say. I expect Kathleen will want to meet us after being away so long from her. You can also bring Tommy with you if you will". It is addressed to a Mrs W. Moody, 62, Anns Rd, Heeley, Sheffield

\* Look out for more old postcards in next month's Focal Point

Bob Warriner

## Winthorpe & District W.I.

January 2016

In the absence of the President, Mrs Diana Kitson welcomed 21 members. There were 7 apologies for absence. The raffle held at the December 2015 meeting for Lily Goodwin's Garden Voucher made £35.00 which will be donated to Beaumont House.

The Robin Hood Theatre Trip at Averham on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2016. Members were informed that the mini bus will depart from the Lord Nelson Pub at 6.40 pm and the Old Post Office at 6.45 pm.

**This month's speaker** was Christopher Weir who gave a very interesting talk on 'A Woman's Lot: Women's History in Nottinghamshire from 1550 – 1950'. He highlighted the duties expected of a wife in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, as well as work undertaken by women in agriculture, lace-making and domestic service, for which they were paid a pittance. During the centuries women started to progress up the social ladder, such as Jesse Boot's wife (Founder of Boots the Chemist) who helped her husband develop Boots as we know it today.



Suffragettes also helped women's causes by securing them the Vote. He concluded the talk by showing a poster from the Second World War, advertising a 'Bomb Chukka' for a wife to keep in her home in case a bomb dropped in the 'parlour'; in which case she was expected to secure it in the 'Bomb Chukka' and dispose of it outside the home in a safe place. Silly or brave?

### **Future Events**

A meal at the Lord Nelson Pub, Winthorpe on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

Nottinghamshire Federation Annual General Meeting at the Royal Concert Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2016 when the speakers will be Paul Haynes, an Antiques Expert and Julie Childs from ACWW. Price: £9.50 per ticket.

Fleet Group Meeting to be held at Collingham Memorial Hall on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016. The speaker will be Melvin Pryor from Radio Lincoln. Price: £2.50 per ticket.

Lincs. Fashion Show in the Community Centre on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

**The next meeting** will be held on Thursday 11th February 2016, when the topic will be Happy Feet. Hostesses: Sylvia Lloyd and Margaret Stewart.

*Lily Goodwin* – a very belated but none the less heartfelt tribute – to a much loved WI Member who died at the end of 2015

She was a very special lady who inspired her many friends at WI - a former Wren, a teacher and a woman of many talents, from bowls to gardening and crafts to walking. Thanks to Lily and Jim's hospitality our July Meetings in their garden were always a special event in our WI Calendar



A former President of Besthorpe WI and a stalwart member and former Committee Member of Winthorpe WI, she was always supportive of every activity. Her zest for life was an inspiration to us all. She will be sadly missed and always remembered with affection.

Diana Kitson

Happy New Year to you all!

Winter is here with a vengeance today at Langford Lowfields with freezing temperatures, sleet and snow. Luckily the volunteers have been working with Jenny in the shelter of the woodland, clearing the perimeter ready for the installation of new fencing. Home to both green and great spotted woodpecker as well as treecreeper, the woodland is being rejuvenated, with many of the sycamore saplings being removed to encourage growth of more wildlife friendly oak and elm. Jenny and her team will soon be planting out some hazel, hawthorn and blackthorn saplings in order to improve the woodland understory.

Our brilliant volunteer team also regularly helps Jenny with the monthly WeBS counts (Wetland Bird Survey). At the end of December they had a calm sunny day which offered up excellent views of a beautiful pair of stonechat feeding in the vegetation just off the North Trail, as well as Cetti's warbler calling in the same area. Their surveying session was topped off in style by one of the Langford bitterns flying overhead.

As winter progresses Jenny has resumed supplementary feeding near the car park on Cottage Lane. A mixture of wild bird seed, funded by our HLS (Higher Level Stewardship) grant, is scattered on the ground twice a week in order to help sustain the birds through the 'hungry gap' between now and spring. Last year this attracted a flock of up to 250 birds so be sure to keep an eye out as you arrive at the car park. You may even be lucky enough to spot the elusive tree sparrows.

More recently we have had an unusual visitor to the reserve in the shape of a rather spectacular duck. The non-native, red-crested pochard is an infrequent visitor here at Langford, as they tend to migrate from their breeding grounds in Eastern Europe and Asia (less so in Spain, France and the Netherlands), to winter in North Africa, India and southern China. Birds spotted in the UK are often escapees from captive



populations although you can occasionally spot wild birds in the south of England.



As the name suggests, this striking bird has a chestnut head with a bright red bill and stunning black, white and brown plumage on the body and wings. The female, although duller, is

also quite recognizable by her dark brown cap, pale cheeks and neck along with her large size and distinctive shape.

For further information about how you can join our volunteer team or for regular updates on our work here at Langford Lowfields, have a look at our website at [www.rspb.org.uk/langfordlowfields](http://www.rspb.org.uk/langfordlowfields) or call 01636 893611.



If you would like more information about our programme of fun and inspirational **educational sessions** to help get your class/group closer to wildlife please email [gail.talton@rspb.org.uk](mailto:gail.talton@rspb.org.uk) or call the office on 01636 893611.



## FROM THE AREA DEAN

Dear All,

I can hardly believe it - we have almost arrived at Candlemas - a last lingering look at Christmas and the birth of the Christ Child. In a trice we will be enjoying pancakes on Shrove Tuesday,



reflecting on Ash Wednesday and then it's Lent and the pilgrimage to the Cross and beyond. If I'm not careful I'll be hearing sleigh bells!! A step too far?

We can, in our determination to be organised and prepared and avoid a perceived rush, lose the harsh reality of Jesus' journey. His public ministry was fraught with drama. Through it we are enabled to discover where we are in the story, walking with him, meeting him at the Cross or perhaps at the empty tomb with Mary. None of this is comfortable or easy. We will never be prepared fully for our feelings and our faith journey, to be real, must also be challenging. The Lenten adventure we are soon to embark on should lead us over rough terrain, enable us to face some of our deepest fears and recognise that, no matter what, Jesus is with us, a constant who never changes.

Keeping close to Jesus through both good and bad times must be our lived reality. Will it be easy? Sometimes it will seem too hard to bear. Jesus never promised an easy ride; on the contrary he said at times it would seem impossible.

Within the East Trent Churches there are various groups who meet and worship in different ways and discover their faith through these different styles. These groups and others, as well as the many other parts that make up the East Trent Churches, act as conductors through which a living relationship with Jesus can be discovered. They hold hidden treasures so that the shared Lenten adventure may allow expression and discovery anew. I wish you well on your Lenten adventure.

Yours in Christ,

**David Milner** (Area Dean)

# COLLINGHAM BOWLS CLUB

**Venue :** Dale Field - Bowls Club House

**Contacts: Club Secretary** Graham Eaton 01636 893895

**Chairman** Bob Williams 01636 893307

***JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND/OR SIGN UP FOR THE  
2016 SEASON!***

Collingham Bowls Club is a friendly club who are always pleased to welcome new members (to join our current Winthorpe members) both male and female, whether experienced, intermediate or beginners.

We have teams in three Lincoln leagues; the Lincoln City Evening, the Lincoln City Afternoon and the Lincoln & District. We also play in the Newark District League.

Registration for current and NEW MEMBERS will take place at a coffee morning in the Mayfield Room (at the rear of the Memorial Hall), Collingham on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016 between 9.30 and 11.30 a.m.

**Please come and see us for coffee, raffle and a chat about the Club.**

## **COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS FOR FEBRUARY 2016**

Sunday February 14th Buckminster 6 miles

Sunday February 28th Donington on Bain 7 miles

Wednesday February 17th Redmile 4.5 miles

### **NEW WALKERS ALWAYS WELCOME**

If you would like to join us on any of these walks please contact

NINA WARD on [ninajward@live.co.uk](mailto:ninajward@live.co.uk) or 01636 678419 for more information and specific walk details .

Come along and join this friendly group. We provide an excellent variety of walks in Nottinghamshire and adjacent counties. Most Sunday walks are between 6 and 8 miles. Wednesday walks are usually about 4 miles with an optional pub lunch.

Walkers should provide snacks, drinks and packed lunches if appropriate. Suitable footwear and waterproofs are necessary.



## LANGFORD CHURCH

Thank You, Amy!

I am sure all of us in Langford who care for our church being open for weddings, baptisms, funerals and other events, will be very grateful to Amy. She almost single-handedly raised an amazing £400. It was probably the most raised in a single event. Amy, a big thank you. Now those of us in Langford can look forward to our church being open for use for the foreseeable future. Especially since so much time and effort was put in to raise money to restore it. **Jerry and Jillie Steele**





# **It's NOT 'Strictly Come Dancing'**

In Aid of

**Home-Start Newark**

**Registered Charity no.1109551**

**The Georgian Ball Room, Newark Town Hall**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

**2pm-4pm**

**Come and do the Cha Cha Cha to the sounds of the**

**"Decent Chaps"**

**You don't have to know the strictly moves to take to the  
dance floor!**

**Tickets are £12.00 per person and include a cream tea –  
discount for group bookings.**

**Tickets available from Home-Start Newark Office  
30 Barnbygate, Newark**

## **Winthorpe Community Centre AGM**

The AGM for the Community Centre will be held on Monday 11th April 2016 at 7.30pm in the Main Hall. It is a public meeting and everyone is welcome, please do come along.

### **Sonrisa – A Taste of Latin**

Don't forget our next Village Ventures performance will be on Saturday 14th May in the Community Centre, this promises to be a fun, music-filled evening. Once again flyers will be delivered with details of how to buy tickets. We hope to see you there.

### **Post of Secretary**

After much thought I have decided to stand down as Secretary after the AGM in April. If anyone is interested in taking over the role, please get in touch to discuss what's involved. Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of every other month and duties are not too time consuming.

**Sue Jackson** (Secretary to the Trustees) Tel: 07884 292469



## FUTURE EVENTS AT NEWARK AIR MUSEUM

**5 March 2016** – Indoor Aeroboot / Aerojumble Table Top Sale.

48 sellers tables all hosted inside Display Hangar 2 amongst the aircraft



at the museum site in eastern Nottinghamshire. {Special discount admission rates apply, open to everyone to attend.}

**6 March 2016** – Ransome & Marles Commemorative Day.

Throughout the day re-enactors will be participating in a variety of commemorative activities at the museum to mark the 75th

Anniversary of the Newark bearing factory being bombed.

**21 & 22 May 2016** – Tribute to the V-Force. Event dedicated to the aircraft and personnel that flew Valiants, Victors and Vulcans. This slimmed down event includes a reunion of former V-Force personnel. Based around the museum's Vulcan aircraft it will also feature many visiting displays and is open to the public. {Normal admission rates apply}

**18 & 19 June 2016** – Cockpit-Fest 2015 & Aeroboot / Aerojumble; this regular two day event provides the perfect opportunity for the public to view a diverse range of visiting aircraft cockpits. {Normal admission rates apply}

**15 October 2016** – Indoor Aeroboot / Aerojumble Table Top Sale.

48 sellers tables all hosted inside Display Hangar 2 amongst the aircraft at the museum site in eastern Nottinghamshire. {Special discount admission rates apply, open to everyone to attend.}

Full details about these and other museum activities can be found on the news & event pages of the website, which are regularly updated

[www.newarkairmuseum.org](http://www.newarkairmuseum.org) Email: [enquire@newarkairmuseum.org](mailto:enquire@newarkairmuseum.org)

Howard Heeley (NB RAF Winthorpe book is now on sale)





**ALL SAINTS**  
**WINTHORPE**  
**CHURCH NOTICES**

Last month we had the funeral of Alex Gilmour who until last year was the assistant treasurer on the PCC. We would like to recognise his contribution to our community and express our condolences to his family.

The results are in for the Promise Programme. We have thirteen new givers. Their contributions, along with that of our existing givers, have meant that we have met our target and so the financial future of our Church is assured for the next few years. Thank you to all our givers – you have kept our church viable.

The AGM of the PCC is set for the 1<sup>st</sup> April and will be held in the Village Hall. We have been without a Church Warden for too many years. Is there anyone out there who would like to take on this role? Ideally we need two volunteers to fill these crucial vacancies on the PCC. The candidates must be willing to look after the day to day running of the Church and they must be confirmed (or be willing to be confirmed into the CofE).

As you may have noticed our Church bells have not been rung for some time. We need volunteers to join our team of ringers. If you are able to ring then please get in touch with our Tower Captain, Ian Hasman on 01636 679105, and offer your services. If you would like to learn to ring (it doesn't cost you anything apart from an hour and a half every Thursday evening and half an hour every Sunday when we have a service) then please also get in touch.

The sharp eyed amongst you will have noticed that our Holy Communion at Winthorpe has moved from 10.15 to 10.30. This makes it possible for any stand in vicar to officiate at our service after officiating at Girton for a 9.00 service.

Ian Hasman on behalf of Winthorpe Church PCC



## Church Services for February

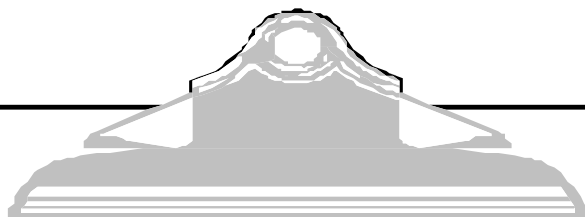


Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.00	Holy Communion	Holme
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Holy Communion & Ashing Ceremony	St John the Baptist, Collingham
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Holy Communion	Winthorpe
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	9.00	Holy Communion	Langford
	10.15	Morning Worship	Winthorpe
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.15	Service cancelled	Holme

The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services. The bells may be rung on Thursday evenings between 7.00 and 9.00 for practice. Due to lack of ringers it is unlikely that the bells will be rung for the foreseeable future. If you are able to ring or would like to learn how to ring then please get in touch with the Tower Captain.

**Church Cleaners** – Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Nelson

**Brass Cleaners** – Mrs Cobb and Mrs Lloyd



## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Monday 1st	Green Bin Lunch Club 12.30 Community Centre
Friday 6th	Accession of HM The Queen 
Monday 8th	Silver Bin
Thursday 11th	WI 7.30pm Village Hall
Monday 15th	Green Bin Mobile Library
Wednesday 17th	Garden Club 7.30pm Community Centre
Thursday 18th	Parish Council meeting 7.30pm VH
Monday 22nd	Silver Bin
Monday 29th	Green Bin
NB Holme Bin Collection day is Friday.	

‘Village organisations and local bodies – if at any time you would like to get in touch with a village contact, why not try the village website.’ [www.winthorpe.org.uk](http://www.winthorpe.org.uk)

A final word to all dog owners especially those using the tunnel under the A1 and surrounding area

There is no “dog-poo fairy”  
There is no “dog-poo elf”  
So if your  
  
decides to poo,



then please, pick it up yourself !