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Ed's Comments

March is the month when we breathe a sigh of relief. It seems as though winter is over. Even if there is still the possibility of frost and snow it all seems more bearable when the days are longer and brighter and snowdrops, daffodils and crocuses are blooming cheerfully.

There are lots of celebrations around this time. Happy St. David's Day to the Welsh, St Patrick's Day to the Irish and Happy Mother's Day to Mothers (and Grandmas) everywhere!

We all feel more inclined to go outdoors too, so now is a good time to think about how we use the outdoor space in our villages. You will find a questionnaire on pages 8 and 9 which the Parish Council





are very keen for you to fill in to give your opinion as to how they should move forward on this issue. Please have a look and talk to your children and grandchildren about it. Then fill in the questionnaire and send it to Lee Cammack (Chairman of The Parish Council) 31 Gainsborough Road Winthorpe before 25th March.

Have your say!

Annie Purday

Closing date for the April issue is **Friday 17th March**Deliver to Annie and Nick 18, Hargon Lane or email nickwynne@virginmedia.com

LUNCH CLUB

The **April** Lunch Club will be at 12.30 p.m. on **Monday April 3rd** at the Community Centre.

The menu will be:



Sausage and Mash with Onion Gravy

OR



Fishcakes with Parsley Sauce

with Seasonal Vegetables

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Profiteroles with Chocolate Sauce

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-x-Tea or Coffee

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£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 March Lunch Club is on Monday March 6th as advertised in last month's Focal Point



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GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club's February meeting was delightful and unusual as our speaker is a club member, allotment holder and local resident!

Jacky Zylinski gave us a knowledgeable and informed presentation on Beekeeping, about which she is clearly passionate, being involved with them for over 35 years, on and off!



Using a range of pictures, Jacky introduced us to honeybees and their habits. The three types of bee were described – Queen, worker and drone – and their lifespan explained, including how a new Queen is created when one is required. She talked about the different hives that can be used to keep bees,

and where to site them. Typically, there are 50,000 bees in a colony and the lifespan of a worker bee is about 6 weeks once they go out foraging.

Beekeeping is not a cheap hobby initially, with the basic gear required to start – clothing, hive, equipment - in the range of £800, and a swarm of bees can cost £150 and a hive-full £300. In return the average annual production of honey is 26lbs from a hive, although a professional beekeeper would expect more like 50lbs. As with other seasonal activities, the output varies from year to year. Jacky explained how the honey is harvested from the frames in the hive, and how different pollen types locally can influence the honey's colour, flavour and properties.

Speaking to a Garden Club, Jacky outlined some of the plants that honeybees like. Often, a picture of a bee is printed on the seed packet. These include hyssop, lavender, thyme, borage, oregano and wild flowers. Also, raspberries are a favourite. And a word of warning, the white clover that grows in lawns is a favourite too, so be careful when running barefoot in your garden!

Club chairman Ian Wilson proposed a vote of thanks to Jacky, who is donating her speaker fee to an African bee charity, following which Pat Finn ran the gardening quiz. Our next meeting is on Wednesday March 15th when the popular Steve Lovell will be giving a talk on 'Growing Veg on a Small Scale.'

Paul Kitson



Volunteering Opportunity

with Home-Start Newark

Could you be . . .

- a trusted friend
- someone who will listen and care
- a helpful pair of hands when life is at its most chaotic
- a bringer of fun, laughter and hope

Family life has many ups and downs. Sometimes families can find themselves coping with very challenging situations, such as the loss of a loved one, a serious illness, relationship breakup, poverty, mental health problems, loneliness and isolation, to name but a few.

Every week, hundreds of Home-Start volunteers in the UK visit families who are experiencing tough times like this. Our volunteers offer befriending and support through the darkest of days and help families find their way through to happier times. Our volunteers love being able to see families growing in confidence. They enjoy being able to be a friendly listening ear, and to offer practical help where it's most needed.

'For me volunteering for Home Start is rewarding - when there's so much bad news, it's good to feel you're doing something that's really helping someone directly.' A Home-Start volunteer

We are recruiting now for our Volunteer Preparation Course, which starts in March this year. The only qualifications you need are to have parenting experience and to be able to listen and offer support without judgement – we'll teach you all the rest!

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Please get in touch to find out more about this rewarding opportunity.

Tel: 01636 705011 Email: info@homestartnewark.co.uk

Pop in: 30 Barnbygate, Newark, NG24 1PZ

Website: www.homestartnewark.co.uk



WINTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL PLAY PARK AND MUGA CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

The existing play park and skate park/multi-use games area (MUGA) are in a state of disrepair to the point that they need replacing. Winthorpe Parish Council is proposing to replace the play park at the community centre with a combined play park and MUGA. We are taking this opportunity to find out the views of local residents.

The Parish Council would be grateful if you could complete this questionnaire and drop it in at 31 Gainsborough Road Winthorpe before the 25th March 2017

are available in Winthorpe?
☐ Very Good ☐ Fairly Good ☐ Adequate ☐ Poor
☐ Not sure
How would you rate the level play activity facilities that are available in Winthorpe?
☐ Very Good ☐ Fairly Good ☐ Adequate ☐ Poor
☐ Not sure
How would you feel about the installation of a MUGA, which will be a free to use outdoor sports area, suitable for football, basketball, netball, minitennis, cricket, etc in Winthorpe?
☐ Strongly support ☐ Support ☐ Against ☐ Not sure
Please give the reasons for your answers in Question 3
Which outdoor sports might your family be interested in? (Please tick all that apply)
Which outdoor sports might your family be interested in? (Please tick all that apply) Football Netball Basketball Cricket
that apply)

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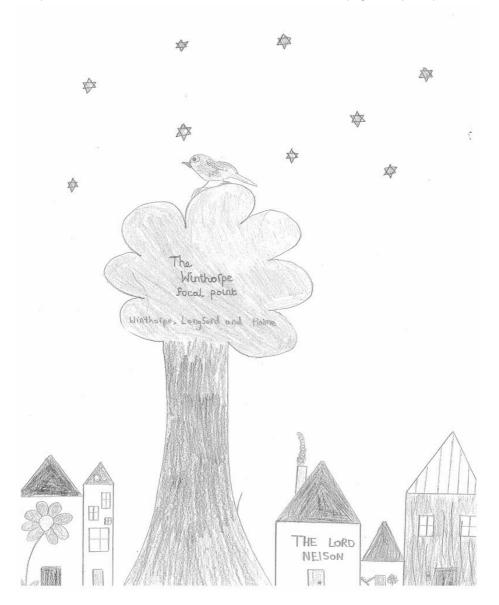
Thank You for completing this questionnaire. You can also find this questionnaire on the Parish Council website

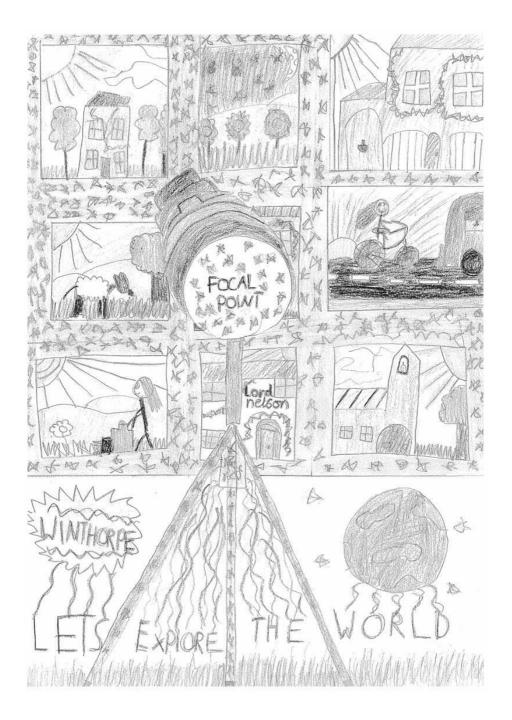
Please get your friends to complete it – the Parish Council needs your views

Head Teacher: Mr Rob Cook

Thoroughfare Lane, Winthorpe, Newark, Nottinghamshire, NG24 2NN Telephone/Fax: 01636 680060 www.winthorpe.notts.sch.uk head@winthorpe.notts.sch.uk

The contribution from the school this month is two of their ideas for the new Focal Point cover. Thank you to the children for these. Sadly this one had no name on it. The one on the next page is by Issy. Ed





LETTER FROM THE RECTOR - Dear Friends,

One of my favourite possessions sits on my kitchen windowsill. It's a pretty blue, white and pink mug which says on it 'life is sweet.' It was given to me by a friend whose life was particularly sweet at the time because there was a real possibility that it would be cut short by cruel lung cancer.

Life is sweet even though we all go through difficult times. Life is precious so we nurture new born infants and try to keep ourselves healthy. Life is what we're made for and so we rage against anything that threatens our life.

Disease, accidents and ultimately death are intruders which break in and bring with them confusion, shock and disbelief. We might understand with our minds that we will all die one day, but faced with its bitter reality we want to

yell a loud, protesting NO.

Well this is a time of year for thinking about and celebrating life. Through February I was delighted to see snowdrops, aconites, crocuses and daffodils blossoming. These are beautiful reminders of new life and I am really looking forward to Spring in East Trent. I'm not a great gardener, but I know that before seeds can produce new flowers, old flowers have to die and so



they teach us about the cycle of life, death and new life.

In church this month, we're preparing for Easter, that greatest celebration of new life, but we begin on March 1st with a reminder that we are going to die. That is Ash Wednesday, when we're marked with the sign of the cross in ash made from last year's Palm Crosses.

That begins Lent, which is an opportunity to give up something we think we can't live without, be it chocolate, Facebook or beer or to do something extra such as reading a good book, praying or going to church.

Giving something up or doing something different so that we can think about our lives and where we stand with God and other people, may feel like a small death and it might feel too scary or difficult. Giving up sweets or too much television for a few weeks might be shocking if it makes us aware of bad habits or attitudes which we should give up for good.

Please do remember that this isn't intended to make us miserable but to help us appreciate Easter and to make space in our lives for the sweetness of new life which that means.

Sometimes, it helps to talk things through, so please get in touch if this is what you'd like to do.

There'll be more about Easter in April. God bless you all Revd Mandy

Dear Villagers,

We hope this finds you well and excited about longer, lighter evenings; we cannot wait to get out into our Beer Garden again.

We had a good February with our first Comedy & Curry Night, a sparkle-tastic champagne & wine tasting evening with Ann et Vin,



and a fully-booked Valentines Night. Who says romance is dead?

LAMMA hosted a buffet dinner for 65 and enjoyed it so much they are returning in 2018.

Our upcoming events for March 2017 include:

Back by popular demand, live music with the fabulous Ant McAndrew-Friday 3rd March

Pub Quiz & Pasta on Tuesday 7th March

Open Mic Night on Tuesday 21st March

Gin Tasting Night hosted by Henry Yates of 'Burleighs Gin' - date still TBC but most likely to be Thursday 23rd March.

We're likely to be very busy for Mother's Day, Sunday 26th March, so please book in early to avoid disappointment.

We'll also have some St Patrick's Day specials on Friday 17th March.

Since we took over the lease in July 2016, we've hosted a large range of events. We'd love to hear from you about what's working and anything else you'd like us to consider. And yes, we're definitely hoping to put on a mini Real Ale Festival over the summer. Speaking of which, we're trying to keep the real ale selection varied with frequent changes, as requested.

We've received many requests for weddings and receptions to be hosted at the pub and as this requires closure to the public, we have tried to limit the number of bookings we have accepted so the villagers can enjoy food and drink at The Nelson as they wish. We'll keep you posted on any planned closures; the first is Monday 29th May - Bank Holiday.

Best wishes,

Oli, Em, Martyn & Chef David



Winthorpe & District W.I.

Meeting held on Wednesday 8th February 2017. The President welcomed members and guests to an open evening in the Community Centre to listen to a talk by

Leanne Hughes, Survey Geologist and Vice-President of the Geologists' Association.

Viv Jackson started the evening by announcing the various W.I activities that will be taking place in the near future - an invitation from North & South Clifton W.I for two members to attend their Birthday Party; the W.I Fair to be held at Alexandra Palace, London between 29th March and 1st April 2017; our own Birthday Party on Wednesday 12th April 2017 in the Community Centre and a meal in the Lord Nelson Pub planned for the middle of March. Members were reminded of the on-line W.I. Survey if they wish to put any ideas/comments/suggestions forward to the NFWI.

Following her initial introduction Leanne outlined her role as a Geologist and with the help of her power point presentation and maps, she explained the various geological aspects of the country. She pointed out faults that can occur in the geology of the landscape e.g. land slips, flooding and sink holes. Prior to the meeting she had taken samples, to a depth of approximately 1.3 metres, from around the Community Centre area for general visual analysis and went on to discuss 'the structure' of the ground beneath Winthorpe which showed that it is basically sand and gravel, due to the present Trent Valley being formed in the last ice age. However, her sample showed that the ground immediately around the Community Centre was 'built up'. At the end of her presentation, Leanne invited the audience to have a look at her equipment, the samples and various maps which she had brought with her. (These can be purchased from BGS). The vote of thanks was given by the President, Virginia Seager.

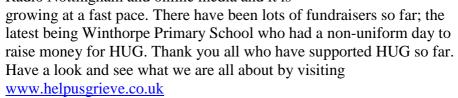
We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Jim Goodwin for donating Lily's screen to the W.I. This will be of great assistance for our future meetings when speakers require a screen.

The next meeting will be our Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday 9th March 2017 in the Village Hall. Hostesses: Frances Kelly and Kate Warren. Wine & Nibbles will be served. Sheila Palmer

Introducing HUG

www.helpusgrieve.co.uk is a new website that supports parents, friends and family through the devastation of the loss of a baby at any gestation. I have received an unbelievable amount of support, encouragement, donations and messages from so many people already and I am incredibly grateful.

HUG has been in the Newark Advertiser, on BBC Radio Nottingham and online media and it is



Huge things are happening for HUG with the interest we have received so far from the media. This means that we can get to work quicker in helping anyone who has been affected by the loss of a baby at any gestation. Want to get involved? Want to donate? Have an idea? Email me at amy@helpusgrieve.co.uk

Thank you to everyone who has supported HUG! Amy Everatt

THANKS



Mrs Norma Breed of Winthorpe wishes to convey her thanks for the lovely cards, messages of sympathy and donations to Cancer Research

following the death of her husband, Ken.



WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL 1st July 2017



There will be a public meeting for all interested parties, to discuss plans and arrangements for the above festival on Wednesday 22nd March at 7.30pm in The Lord Nelson.

The Scarecrow Competition 2017 - there will be two categories this year.

- 1. A group entry e.g. A local organisation
- 2. Individual

There will be no theme. You can create anything you want as long as it passes for a scarecrow!

The event will be sponsored and judged by the Team at The Lord Nelson Pub and prizes will be awarded!

There will be more details to follow regarding entry fees etc.

A programme of events for the Festival will appear in future editions of Focal Point.

Sue Masheder (Festival Committee) Tel 01636 659582/07714548561

Laxton History Group Booklets

In January Laxton History Group members launched three more booklets based on their research into Laxton in 1900 – 1920. The work was funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. In June the first four booklets in the series were launched and copies were



given to people who attended our event then.

The print run of the new booklets was sufficient for everyone who had the original four to have the new ones as well and we invite anyone who would like copies to make contact via info@laxtonhistorygroup.org.uk or on 01777 871506. Joy Allinson

WINTHORPE TENNIS CLUB

Invites you to their

AGM

7.30pm



Friday 7 April 2017
14 Gainsborough Road,
Winthorpe

Everyone welcome

Maureen Smith – 01636 701205

Winthorpe Tennis Club Secretary

COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS FOR MARCH

Sunday March 5th Wragby and Goltho 6 miles

Sunday March 19th Vicar Water 7 miles

Wednesday March 15th Wellow 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 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 four miles with an optional pub lunch.

Walkers should provide snacks, drinks and packed lunches if appropriate.

Suitable footwear and waterproofs are necessary. Nina Ward



Report from the Trustees of Winthorpe Community Centre

As many of you are aware, the new Community Centre was built approximately 17 years ago, to replace the old wooden structure that had seen better days.

In order to keep the Centre in a good condition and to undertake ongoing maintenance works that all buildings of this age require, the Trustees are looking at ways of raising money.

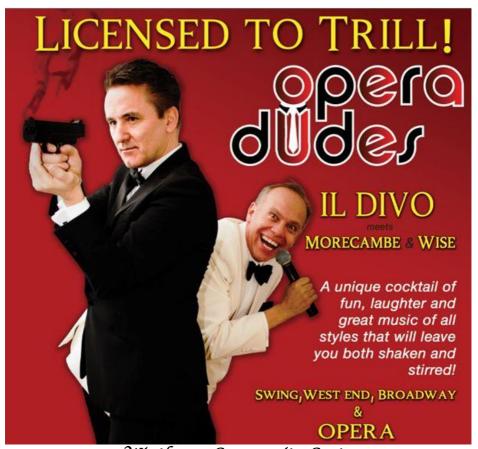
One of the ways suggested is to run a monthly "Hundred Club Draw". It is hoped to sell 100 tickets (or more if possible) each costing £2.00 per month. A draw will be made with 50% of the proceeds going to the Community Centre and the other 50% being given as a cash prize. It is hoped that you will support the Trustees in this venture by setting up a monthly standing order of £2.00 for this very good cause. Further details will follow.

Date for your diary - Friday 21st April 2017

Presenting the Village Ventures, Opera Dudes.

"A unique cocktail of fun, laughter and great music of all styles that will leave you both shaken and stirred." Doors open at 7.00pm, show commences at 7.30pm. £10.00 per ticket and £9.00 concessions. Tickets available from Frances Kelly on 01636 671673.

Finally, there is a vacancy for a Community Centre trustee and we are keen to fill this position as soon as possible. Should you be interested or require further details, please contact Michele Cammack on 01636 611998 or by email at cammacks31@gmail.com



Winthorpe Community Centre
Friday 21st April
Doors Open at 7.00pm, show commences at 7.30pm
£10.00per ticket and £9.00 concessions
Tickets from Frances Kelly 01636 671673



News from Langford Lowfields January and February 2017

Confirmation that an otter is regularly visiting Langford Lowfields is the exciting highlight from the past couple of months.

A photo taken just before Christmas was the first piece of evidence and since

then, footage caught by a hidden trail camera has confirmed that at least one otter is using Langford on a regular basis. We can't say for certain, but it is more likely to be a female, with studies having shown that female otters prefer smaller



streams and reedbeds, whilst males prefer larger streams and rivers. The original photo was taken during the day, so keep your eyes open when you are on the reserve, as you never know what might come creeping out of the reeds!

Our famous bearded tits are still drawing in large numbers of visitors, who have been getting some great photos of these beautiful little birds, which are being seen most frequently from the boardwalk that cuts through the heart of the reserve. Looking across the open water areas should allow you great views of a range of ducks, including pochards, teals, goldeneyes and wigeons. Small birds like reed buntings and goldfinches are regularly visiting the new bird table near the Beach Hut and a group of 2-3 roe deer are regularly seen bounding across the grassland areas.



Since the news of the bearded tits breeding at Langford Lowfields went public, we have seen a doubling in visitor numbers, which is great and means that a lot more people are getting the opportunity to see some amazing wildlife and all the great work the RSPB and Tarmac have done here. I should warn you though that it has meant that some sections of the footpaths have become a bit

muddy and slippery, so wear appropriate footwear when visiting.

Our volunteer teams have been hard at work recently, opening up areas in the woodland to let more light reach the woodland floor. Work has focused on removing a number of sycamore trees to reduce their dominance and to give more space to the native trees including oak. Management of the scrub areas surrounding the reserve is also progressing well, with a number of sections coppiced to encourage new growth and to open up glades within dense, dark areas. Previous research on the reserve has shown that recently coppiced areas have a higher density and diversity of insects in them, which in turn means more food for all the hungry birds we have here. Having a varied 'age structure' within the scrub means we can provide a home for as many different species as possible.

We are looking to build up a new volunteer team of Grounds Maintenance Volunteers at the moment, to help us with visitor facility maintenance. Caring for the reserve and its infrastructure is a vital part of gaining support from our members and our visitors and activities will include grass cutting, hedge trimming, weeding and path repairs. All training and equipment will be provided, including formal machinery training. If you are interested in this opportunity, love working outside, enjoy wildlife and meeting like-minded people, we would love to hear from you! Please contact us on 01636 893611 or e-mail Jenny on jennifer.wallace@rspb.org.uk

We also currently have a number of 5ft round hay bales for sale; they are £5 each and can be collected from the entrance to the reserve off Westfield Lane, Collingham. The bales have not been kept under cover but are wrapped in plastic mesh. The bales are ragwort-free and have come off part of the reserve which is annually cut to encourage the growth of wildflowers. We do not have a tractor so if collecting the bales you'll need to have one with you. Contact the office on 01636 893611 or Langford.beckingham@rspb.org.uk

WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

On Thursday 16th February 2017, the Parish Council held its monthly meeting in the village hall.

As stated in last month's Focal Point, the Parish Council has been informed by BT that they intend to remove the two pay phones in Winthorpe and Langford.



The Council has received no objections to this proposal so BT will be informed accordingly. However, the Council has received numerous requests from residents for the phone boxes in both Langford and Winthorpe to be retained. In view of this, the Council is to make an application to purchase both phone boxes from BT for £1 each.

As you may recall, the Parish Council is looking at the viability of installing a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) adjacent to the community centre and replacing the existing play equipment at the same time.

Due to the cost of this project, external funding will be required. Before the Council proceeds down this route, it would like to obtain the views of the residents of every household. There is a questionnaire included in this issue of Focal Point and the Council would be grateful if you could complete it and return it to the address stated on the form.

The Chairman and Clerk recently attended a Safer Neighbourhood Group in Harby Village Hall. There was a great deal of concern from residents regarding a spate of thefts from garages and secure units. The Police advised that if any one sees any suspicious vehicles or activities in the village record the registration number of the vehicle and report it.

Mrs Sally Sillery – Parish Clerk

COLLINGHAM BOWLS CLUB

Venue : Dale Field - Bowls Club House

Contacts: Club Secretary - Graham Eaton: 01636 893895

Chairman - Roger King : 01636705781

SIGN UP FOR THE 2017 SUMMER SEASON!

Collingham Bowls Club is a friendly club who are always pleased to welcome new members both male and female, whether experienced, intermediate or beginners. New members from Winthorpe would be most welcome to join other Winthorpians (including our Chairman).

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 11th March, 2017 between 9.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.

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



ALL SAINTS WINTHORPE CHURCH NOTICES

The AGM of the PCC will be held at 19:30 on Wednesday 22nd March in the meeting room of the Community Centre. Please do come along to this if you wish to have a say in the running of our church. We are still looking for one more person to take on the role of Church Warden alongside our recent volunteer, who will only be a Warden if there is another volunteer to share the load. We have "muddled along" for a number of years without any Church Wardens, but we really need to fill these posts. More PCC members would be most welcome.

Easter will soon be with us once again. Wednesday 1st March is Ash Wednesday and there will be a group wide service at St John's Church in Collingham to mark the beginning of Lent; all are welcome.

During the Lenten period it is traditional to give up something such as chocolate, biscuits, alcohol etc as a "Lenten Discipline". Are you planning to give something up for Lent? One of our previous Rectors had a different take on this by adding a "Lenten Discipline" during Lent – he chose to force himself to drink a tot of whisky every night. He



claims it was the best Lent that he cannot quite remember fully! So are you still set on giving something up or will you take something up instead? The choice is yours.

Throughout Lent there will be a service of Stations of The Cross every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm at St Joh's Church in Collingham from 8th March to 5th April inclusive. All are welcome.

Ian Hasman on behalf of Winthorpe Church PCC (01636 679105).

Church Services for March







Wednesday 1st	19:30	Holy Communion and Ashing Ceremony	Collingham, St John's
Sunday 5th	09:00	Holy Communion	Holme
Sunday 12th	10:30	Holy Communion	Winthorpe
Sunday 19th	09:00	Morning Worship	Langford
	10:15	Morning Worship	Winthorpe
Saturday 25th	12:00	Holy Matrimony	Holme
Sunday 26th	18:00	Evening Prayer	Winthorpe

The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services. The bells may be rung on Friday evenings between 7.00 and 9.00pm for practice. If you are able to ring or would like to learn how to ring then please get in touch with the Tower Captain, Ian Hasman, on 01636 679105 or e-mail him at Lhasman@ntlworld.com.

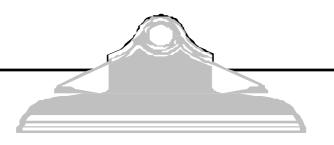
Church Cleaners – Mrs Finn and Mrs Nelson.

Volunteers for Church Cleaners, Brass Cleaners and Flower Ladies are still being sought. If you would like to volunteer then please call Sylvia on 01636 703271. Sylvia Lloyd

THANKS



June Gunn would like to thank friends and neighbours for their lovely cards and kind messages of condolence at the loss of her husband, Philip. It has been very much appreciated.



MARCH CALENDAR

Saturday 4th Indoor Aeroboot / Aerojumble Table Top Sale

Winthorpe Airfield

Monday 6th Silver and Brown Bins

Lunch Club 12.30 Community Centre

Thursday 9th WI AGM Village Hall

Monday13th Green Bin

Mobile Library

Wednesday15th Garden Club 7.30pm Community Centre

Thursday 16th Parish Council meeting 7.30pm VH

Monday 20th Silver and Brown Bins

Wednesday 22nd Summer Festival Meeting Lord Nelson 7.30

Sunday 26th Happy Mother's Day!

Start of British Summer Time Clocks go forward

Monday 27th Green Bin

NB BIN COLLECTIONS IN HOLME VILLAGE ON FRIDAYS

Recycling Centre Times

March 8am – 6pm

April – September 8am – 8pm



'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

"God could not be everywhere, and therefore he made mothers." Rudyard Kipling