



2018

Ed's Comments

**We are constantly being encouraged or even persuaded** to update and upgrade to bigger,

faster, more attractive, more efficient models of things in our everyday life. It is not fashionable or even considered to be desirable to value what one has, to mend what is broken or to 'make do.'

March is the month when we celebrate Mother's Day in lots of countries throughout the world and I got to thinking about the pressures on modern Mums to be 'super Mums.' They too are expected to be more efficient, more attractive and work faster and harder than ever before, constantly updating themselves. Society expects more of them; they are expected to work full-time **and** be perfect wives and mothers. They are portrayed as being glamorous and perfect in the media. What is the reality of being a mum in the modern world?



When I look at my two daughters and other mums today I realise that despite all of these pressures they still have the same values, joys and sorrows that my generation and generations before them have had and that they cope in amazing ways. Let's celebrate and support them because they give us hope for the future.

**Annie Purday**

Closing date for the April issue is **Friday 16th March**

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## LUNCH CLUB

The **April** Lunch Club will be at 12.30 p.m. on **Monday 9th April** at the Community Centre.

**The menu will be:**



Chicken Chasseur

OR



Baked Cod Fillet with Tartare Sauce

with New Potatoes, Peas and Carrots

-x-

Lemon Mascarpone Cheesecake

-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 March Lunch Club is on Monday March 5th as advertised in last month's Focal Point.**

# **WINTHORPE GARDEN CLUB**

welcomes gardening broadcasters and writers

**Dr. Andrew Ward, Stuart Dixon and  
Tracey Akehurst**

to

**“Gardeners’ Question Time”**

This is an open meeting  
at

Winthorpe Community Centre, Woodlands,  
Winthorpe

on

Wednesday, 21st March 2018 at 7.30pm

Admission £5

**ALL WELCOME!**

For tickets and any gardening questions you may like  
to ask the panel

contact

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## FOOD BANK SHOPPING LIST

February/March 2018

PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ITEMS  
CONTAINING ALCOHOL – THANK YOU!

### In Short Supply

#### **Food**

- Tomato Sauce, Brown Sauce, Cooking Oil, Assorted Pickles, Gravy Granules, Stock Cubes, Salt and Pepper, Long life UHT Juice, Chocolate biscuit bars e.g. Kit Kat, Penguin, Rocky etc, Long life UHT milk (not evaporated/condensed please.)

#### **Non-Food Items**

- Packets of Men's single use razors, Shampoo, Deodorant, men's toiletries, washing up liquid, Tin Openers

**Please do not donate FRESH food items. Also, please check that your donation is well inside its use-by-date. We cannot distribute out of date food.**

### Always needed

#### **Food**

- Tinned Custard
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Vegetables – NOT sweetcorn
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Jars of Pasta Sauce
- Chocolate – bars/sweets
- Cereal Bars
- Cereal
- Biscuits
- Long Life Juice – NOT fresh please
- Sugar
- Tinned/Packet Soup – meat
- Jam
- Chocolate Biscuit Bars: e.g. Kit Kat; Penguin; Rocky etc.
- Tinned/Packet Vegetable Soup

- Tinned Meat – hot: e.g. mince; stewing steak
- Tinned Meat – cold: e.g. Spam: ham – NOT corned beef please

#### **Additional Items**

- Deodorant
- Feminine Hygiene
- Men's Toiletries
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Shampoo
- Shower Gel
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Laundry liquitabs/tablets
- Dog/Cat food
- Strong Carrier bags

Items definitely **NOT** needed at present, as we have a plentiful supply:

- Baked Beans
- Coffee

The Foodbank Collection Point is in the porch of Winthorpe Village Hall which is open when Max Neale's Art Classes are being held. You can also donate items in Winthorpe Church on Sundays when there are services and on Thursdays during 'Open Church.'

**Please continue to support the Foodbank and help make a difference!**

## **Collingham Medical Centre's Patient Participation Group**

A Patient Participation Group was formed at Collingham Medical Centre in the autumn of 2017 consisting of 16 patients. The Group works in partnership with the Practice and it has four main aims:

- To help patients take more responsibility for their health
- To contribute to the continuous improvement of services and quality of care
- To foster improved communication between the practice and its patients
- To provide practical support for the practice and to help to implement any proposed changes

Just about all GP's Practices in England and Wales have a Patient Participation Group and as these Groups evolve they look to try and meet the local needs of the patients living in the area covered by the Practice. They advise on the patient perspective and provide insight into the responsiveness and quality of the service provided.

The Groups also carry out research into the views of those who use the Practice; for example, on two Mondays in January three of our PPG members were in the waiting room to help explain the 'Friends and Family Test' of the NHS. This is a simple form that you can fill in after your appointment to give your feedback on your experience and comment on how well you felt the surgery provided for you. This is important to the Practice because the responses not only help them to see any problems that may need to be addressed, but also to pick up on your ideas and suggestions as to how the Practice can improve.

Communication with patients is an important role for any Patient Participation Group and the Collingham Group is promoting the Practice's Winter Newsletter. This contains information about who the clinical team are, the services they offer, and a note on how the Practice is doing. It also has a brief explanation of the role of Patient Care

Advisors (formerly known as receptionists) including about why they ask you questions about what is wrong with you when you ring or call in for an appointment. These Newsletters can be picked up in the Practice, or in Collingham Post Office, or found on the Practice website - where you can also sign up to have the newsletter emailed to you.

If you wish to contact the Patient Participation Group direct, you can send an email to the address at the end of this article. Or, if you prefer, you can write to us care of the Medical Centre. This is not for complaints or personal issues that you may have with the Practice – they still need to go the Practice direct – but we would like to hear your views on and ideas for service improvement, including how you think patients can help to support the Practice.

The email address is [collinghamppg@gmail.com](mailto:collinghamppg@gmail.com)

More information about Patient Participation Groups can also be found at <http://www.napp.org.uk>

## **THE AGM OF WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The AGM of the Winthorpe Community Centre is to be held at the centre at 7.30pm on Monday 16th April 2018.

Anyone wishing to stand as a Trustee or who would like further details please contact Michele Cammack on 01636 611998.



## March Reflection 2018.

Dear Friends,

How many of us took part in the new, New Year observances of dry January, veganuary or sugar free February?



How did these new traditions come about and why do some of us embrace them? There must be something about human beings that likes to mark the seasons with rituals and collective activity. At one time the church ruled our lives and the year was marked with saint's days and religious feasts and fasts. Now in our secular age, the year begins with fasting to



recover from Christmas excess, it is punctuated by sporting events, then in the autumn our consciences are pricked and perhaps soothed by Children in Need and we prepare for the great feast of Christmas by watching Strictly Come dancing or the X factor.

But in March, we are invited to join in the season of Lent. At one time, new Christians prepared for Baptism in Lent and now it's an opportunity to get ready for Easter, to think seriously about our lives and our relationship with God, other people and the world.

Some people find it helpful to talk about these things with a friend or to make a formal confession, with a priest.

Some people find it helpful to make some sort of fast, by giving up something they think they can't manage without.

Some people find it helpful to do something different or extra, like reading a book, going to church or beginning to pray.

Some people choose to live more generously, giving money or time to charity.

I invite you to join in this season in a joyful way, not to spend forty days counting down to when you can have your next chocolate bar.



So, if you choose to think or have a conversation about your life, see that as a way of making things better. If you give up some delicious treat, make the most of realising that life is sweet

without it. If you read, go to church or pray, see that as a way of learning more about the world and your part in it. If you choose to live generously, give thanks for all that you have.

Do look out for what's happening in our churches and join in, you will be most welcome.

Have a good and blessed Lent. **Revd Mandy**





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I'd like to start telling you about what's going on at Winthorpe Primary School this term by saying thank you to a few people.

Firstly, Winthorpe Parish Council very kindly agreed to make a substantial donation to help contribute towards the cost of our playground renovation in the



Early Years Area. We are very proud of our new outside area and feel that we've created a high quality learning environment for our children to explore and learn in.

I'd also like to thank the ladies at the WI for making a

donation to the school to say thank you for the school singing at their festive coffee morning. And last, but certainly not least, I'd like to thank everyone at the Lord Nelson for making a donation to the school with the proceeds of their Christmas events. Both were lovely and unexpected gestures and we will use the money to put on an end of term treat for the children, hopefully getting a theatre company to come into school and perform for the children.

I would like to invite you all to school on Thursday 22nd March for our next Community Lunch, where we invite members of our wider community to come and join the children for a traditional roast meal, freshly cooked in school by Trudy (Head Cook) and her team. Please let Mrs Allman in the school office know if you'd like to attend (01636 680060).

I know that parking around school drop off and collection continues to be an issue both for Winthorpe residents and the majority of parents at the school. I am aware that a minority of parents, despite countless requests and messages are still parking irresponsibly, putting the safety of the children at risk. I would like to reassure you all that I will continue to press home a strong message urging for safe and responsible parking and hope that eventually all parents respond appropriately.

I received a very nice letter last week from Nick Gibb, the Minister of State for Schools, congratulating the school on its very high standard of achievement in reading and in mathematics, which placed us in the top 1% of primary schools in England for attainment in 2017 - a fine achievement and one that we are working hard to try to replicate again this year! **Rob Cook (Head Teacher)**

# GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

I feel like the children have only just gone back to school after Christmas and yet it's nearly half term, and time to start thinking about the 2018 Giant Sunflower Competition.

For anyone not familiar with this Winthorpe institution, this is the annual children's competition to see who can grow the tallest sunflower. The competition was started over 20 years ago by local resident Pat Finn, and has been going (or growing?) strong ever since.

All children at Winthorpe Primary School can enter, as well as non-pupils (of primary school age) living in Winthorpe, Langford and Holme.



Charlie and I will be visiting the school on Tuesday 27th March to deliver a "sunflower assembly" and give out a packet of seeds to each child. This normally involves a lot of comedy, and hopefully the children leave feeling excited about planting their seeds and "having a go!"

If your children don't attend Winthorpe Primary you can buy "Giant Sunflower" seeds from a garden centre or shop. The children plant their seeds on Easter Sunday (1st April) and need to nurture them through the spring and summer until the competition ends on Sunday 9th September.

We hold a 'prize presentation' assembly shortly after that, where we give out trophies to our winners and certificates to all who take part. With skilful use of ladders, broom handles and blu-tac, we stick paper sunflowers on the wall of the school hall to show the height of our winners – they are always impressively tall!

We would really encourage everyone to have a go – even if you don't consider yourself to be "green fingered." The experience of growing a plant from seed and caring for it over many weeks is really special, and the children get very excited about who will have the winning sunflower.

Good Luck to everyone! Liz & Charlie Ferreira

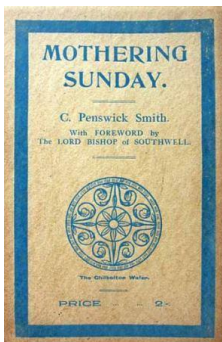
# MOTHERING SUNDAY 11th March 2018

## A Local Connection

The story of Mothering Sunday's revival starts in Coddington. Constance Penswick Smith (1878-1938) came to Coddington, Nottinghamshire at the age of 12, when her father the Reverend Charles Penswick Smith was appointed Vicar of All Saints Church, Coddington.



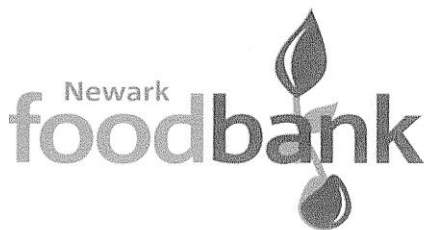
One day in 1913, Constance read an article which outlined plans by an American, Anna Jarvis from Philadelphia, to introduce an American festival into Britain to celebrate 'Mother's Day.' Constance realised that this idea was similar to 'Mothering Sunday' which had been celebrated in earlier times during Lent, when children and young people who were 'in service' as household servants were given a day off. They could then visit their



families (or, originally, return to their 'mother' church) and give gifts to their mothers. Constance was worried that the new type of celebration would not have any of the Christian values, which made Mothering Sunday so special. She began to devote her life to re-establishing the true Christian celebration of Mothering Sunday in a campaign, which was to last for 30 years. Progress was slow but she refused to be discouraged. In 1921 she published a book on Mothering Sunday in which she drew together all her

findings about the ancient custom from across the world. She also founded "The Society for the Observance of Mothering Sunday". At first her movement was rejected by many established religious societies, but gradually the clergy did become interested and Mothering Sunday became more popular. Constance Penswick Smith died in 1938, at the age of 60 and was buried at Coddington next to her father. Mother's Day is now celebrated in over 40 countries throughout the world. **Annie Purday**





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AT THE VILLAGE HALL*



**The trustees, management and all the volunteers at Newark Foodbank** wish to thank the donors in Winthorpe for all the effort they have put into supporting the Foodbank. The total donated by the village between late August when the Collection Point was set up and 2nd February was 130.8 kg which is a 'brilliant effort from a small village.' The original of the Certificate of Thanks opposite has been displayed on the Village Hall noticeboard. Our trial period seems to be over and we are accepted as an official Collection Point for 'the foreseeable future!'

The collection point is in the porch of the Village Hall which is open whenever the hall is being used e.g. for Art Classes: Tuesday evening 7-9, Wednesday 10-2.30, Thursday morning 10-12, Thursday afternoon 1.30-3.30, Friday morning 9.15-12.15, Friday afternoon 1.30-3.30 and the first Saturday in the month 10-12. It is also open some evenings when it is used by different clubs or classes. You can also donate items in Winthorpe Church when there are services and on Thursdays during 'Open Church.'

## **WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE 100 CLUB**

Because of the early closing date for Focal Point the February draw has not yet taken place. The results will be included in the April issue.



We now have 55 members and our aim is to keep driving to reach 100 members. If you haven't yet got your tickets all you need to do is sign a membership form and Standing Order mandate for £2 a month. These are available from Duncan Richardson. Please contact Duncan on 01636 651605 or email [duncrichardson@sky.com](mailto:duncrichardson@sky.com).

For further details see the Community Centre web site.

**JOIN OUR 100 CLUB TODAY AND YOU COULD BE A WINNER!**

## **The Origin of the Simnel Cake**



We now associate Simnel cakes topped by marzipan balls with Easter but some people believe that they were cakes baked as a mid-Lent treat by girls going home to visit their mothers for Mothering Sunday. Why not both! Ed



# COLLINGHAM BOWLS CLUB

Venue : Dale Field - Bowls Club House

Contacts : Club Secretary - Graham Eaton : 01636 893895

Chairman - Roger King : 01636 705781

## **SIGN UP FOR THE 2018 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 10th March, 2018 between 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon.

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

## COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS FOR MARCH 2018

Sunday March 11th Bloxham/Brauncewell 7 miles

Sunday March 25th Trent Valley, Hoveringham/Gunthorpe 7 miles

Wednesday March 14th Swinderby 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 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





## 2018 Photographic Challenge

Okay, spring is almost here and it's time to get out your cameras, iPhones, tablets or whatever and start getting those pictures. Our challenge this year is HAPPY DAYS and once again it is up to you to make of it what you will! The challenge will be decided by public vote at this year's Winthorpe Festival on Saturday 30th June and a small prize will be awarded to the picture that gets the most votes.



The rules are - there are no rules. Entries to be in the form of prints no bigger than A4 on any type of paper (toilet tissue not recommended) mounted or unmounted, colour or black & white. Details of how to enter will be published closer to the festival so for now just get clicking and remember, it's the picture that counts.

Les Murray and Amanda Ramsay



### Winthorpe & District W.I.

At our February meeting we were given a very informative talk on owls in general. Our speaker Annette brought along a beautiful Barn Owl called Brillo. One or two of us had the opportunity of handling Brillo, which was a wonderful experience.

Our next meeting on March 8th is our Annual Meeting where we will reflect on the past year with wine and nibbles and look forward to the coming year. There will also be a sales table. The hostesses for the evening are Frances Kelly and Kate Warren.

April is our Birthday Party at which we will have food, wine and entertainment.

Does anyone know of someone wishing to learn the piano as the W.I. have one to dispose of which is in good working order, would require collection. Any enquiries, please contact myself on 01636 674374.

Virginia Seager, President

## **News from Langford Lowfields**

### **March 2018**

In the last month, a huge flock of up to 100 goldfinches has been feeding on the seed we spread near the car park. This seed is put down throughout the winter to help the birds get through the ‘hungry gap’ when there’s not as much food available in the wider countryside. Large numbers of chaffinches are also feeding on the seed along with the odd yellowhammer, reed bunting, robin and dunnock thrown in for good measure... and you can see them all from the comfort of your car!



Water levels on the reserve are the highest they have been for a number of years and they provide a stark contrast to the barren desert-like look of the reserve back in the summer, when some areas had totally dried out. There is even water under the boardwalk at the moment. We aim to have high water levels during the winter and at the start of the breeding season, dropping the levels as we get into the warmer part of the year. This mimics the fluctuations you get in a natural reedbed.

Large numbers of tufted ducks, wigeons and teals are still on site, with a few goldeneyes and shelducks also floating around on the cold waters. Coots are already picking territorial fights with each other in preparation for the breeding season. Marsh harriers are being seen on a regular basis and wading birds including oystercatchers, redshanks and snipe can be seen feeding on the water’s edge.

Restoration work on the Phase 3 part of the site is almost complete. This area is about 35ha in size (that’s 280 Olympic swimming pools!) and can be easily seen from the footpath that follows the perimeter of the reserve. Now’s a great time of year to do this 4 mile walk, it gives you an excellent overview of the scale of the site and you can see the contrast between the parts of the quarry being worked by Tarmac, the areas that have just been restored and the established areas of reedbed. You might be lucky enough to see our small resident herd of roe deer, a hare or a fox. You might also see the flock of 30

yellowhammers feeding at the northern end of the site or maybe the impressive starling murmuration that has been happening every evening recently, featuring up to 15,000 birds.

The access track to car park has now been re-surfaced. It's a constant battle staying on top of the potholes, but hopefully for a few months at least the track will be easier to drive down. The Beach Hut has been decorated by our volunteers, and this is looking splendid! Our volunteers work really hard on the reserve to make it a welcoming area for visitors!

There are visitor welcome volunteer roles still available – you don't have to be a bird expert to help out on the reserve, just be interested in the site and have a few hours to spare during the week or on a weekend. Get in touch if you feel you would like to discuss this further – 01636 893611. **Angela Roberts**

## THE LORD NELSON

Dear folks,

Sadly, February saw a break-in at the pub with multiple windows smashed. We weren't alone in being burgled as many properties and vehicles in Newark

and Winthorpe were targeted but it's gutting that such a beautiful and historical building should get mindlessly clawed at with a crowbar and hammer. We're upping our security measures accordingly.



On a happier note, in January we were able to donate £100 to Winthorpe Primary School following our Santa fundraiser and we'll continue to support Winthorpe community groups at every opportunity.

**We thought it might be useful to share a full list of 2018 events so you can plan your dairies in advance:-**

Sunday 11th March - Mother's Day Menu

Thursday 15th March - Wine tasting & tapas boards

Saturday 24th March - Children's "Spring" Creation Station

Thursday 29th March - Bingo & Bangers

Thursday 26th April - 7-Course Tasting Menu

Saturday 9th June - World Gin Day Spectacular

Sunday 17th June - Father's Day Menu

Saturday 23rd June - WinFest

Friday 27th July - Summer cocktail workshop

Sunday 26th August - Annual Duck Races & BBQ

Friday 21st September - Harvest Supper

Thursday 11th October - "PuddingFest" Six desserts & dessert wines

Tuesday 11th December - Christmas Lunch for Winthorpe Village

Sunday 16th December - Santa and his miniature horse Charitable Fundraiser

Tuesday 25th December - Closed for Christmas Day

Wednesday 26th December - Boxing Day Brunch

Monday 31st December - New Year's Eve party

We've listened carefully to feedback that the pub has been a little cold at times (conversely, we've also had people asking us to install air conditioning as they are too hot during evening events!) and we will be putting in curtains, and a new heater in the bar. Our snug is also due for a revamp shortly. Best wishes, Oli, Em, Martyn & Chef David

# WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council held its monthly Parish Council meeting in the village hall on Thursday 15th February 2018.

The Council meeting agreed that some of the trees on the new Burial Plot land off Hargon Lane are in a dangerous condition and have

instructed a local tree surgeon to pollard some of the trees and remove others that are in a dangerous or diseased condition.

Further works to the burial plot have been arranged for later in the year. This will include the construction of a tarmac path from Hargon Lane to the plot itself and the installation of a knee high fence to form a boundary between the plot and the rest of the grassed area.

N.S.D.C planning department have agreed to the Parish Councils application to put a storage shed on the allotment field. This will be used for the storage of tools and equipment for the allotment holders and will be positioned to the rear of the field. I understand the unit will be put in position in the springtime when ground conditions improve

As always, if you would like any further information on any issues within the Parish, please contact me on the following email address:

[parishclerkatwinthorpe@outlook.com](mailto:parishclerkatwinthorpe@outlook.com)

Mrs Sally Sillery – Parish Clerk





# **ALL SAINTS WINTHORPE CHURCH NOTICES**

Spring is slowly on its way as I look at the efforts of my snowdrops, crocuses and daffodils which are trying so hard to push through the soil into a very cold environment!!

We have enjoyed many extra services within the Group through February and as we head towards Easter, March includes even more. The Stations of the Cross services continue on Wednesdays at St John the Baptist in Collingham and we host in Winthorpe on Palm Sunday, instead of Evening Prayer at 6 p.m. There will be Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer.

As we progress through Holy Week we are holding the Good Friday Service of the 'Final Hour at the Cross' at 2 p.m. followed on Easter Eve at 7 p.m. by the Group 'Service of Light' with Holy Communion. You will all be very welcome.



After the Good Friday Service we look forward to seeing the colourful displays from the Flower Ladies brighten up the church for Easter.

Another mention for the AGM which is to be held in the Committee Room at the Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday April 10th.

I wish everyone a very happy Easter now as when you read the April Focal Point we will be right in the middle of it!

So glad to see that some of our more senior church ladies are back among us but we still remember in our prayers other village people who are either hospitalised, ill or facing a bereavement at this time.

**Tish Applewhite, Churchwarden (643763)**

# Church Services for March 2018



## **Sunday 4th**

(3<sup>rd</sup> of Lent)

9.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

Holme

**Wednesday 7th**

**7.30 p.m.**

**Service of the Cross  
and Compline**

**Collingham  
St. J the B**

## **Sunday 11th**

**(Mothering  
Sunday)**

10.30 a.m.

Holy Communion

Winthorpe

**Wednesday 14th**

**7.30 p.m.**

**Stations of the Cross  
and Compline**

**Collingham  
St. J the B.**

## **Sunday 18th**

(5<sup>th</sup> of Lent)

9.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

Langford

10.15 a.m.

Morning Worship

Winthorpe

**Wednesday 21st**

**7.30 p.m.**

**Stations of the Cross  
and Compline**

**Collingham  
St. J the B.**

## **Sunday 25th**

**(Palm Sunday)**

6.00 p.m.

Holy Communion (BCP) Winthorpe

**Wednesday 28th**

**7.30 p.m.**

**Holy Week Service**

**Holme**

**Friday 30th  
Good Friday**

**2.00 p.m.**

**The Final Hour  
at the Cross (HC)**

**Winthorpe**

**Saturday 31st  
Easter Eve**

**7.00p.m.**

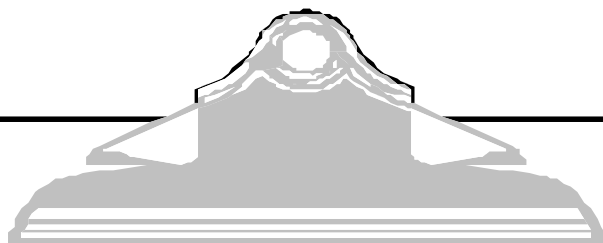
**Group Service of Light  
and Holy Communion**

**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.

**Church Flower Ladies** The church will be open at **3.20 p.m.** on **Good Friday (30th)** to receive your Easter flower displays and will be open again on **Monday April 9<sup>th</sup>** at **4 p.m.** to sadly clear away all your beautiful hard work!

**Church Cleaners** – Mr B and Mrs D McClymont



## MARCH CALENDAR

Thursday 1st	Happy St. David's Day!
Monday 5th	Silver Bin Lunch Club 12.30 Community Centre
Thursday 8th	WI meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
Sunday 11th	Happy Mother's Day!
Monday 12th	Green and Brown bins Mobile Library
Thursday 15th	Parish Council Meeting 7.30 pm Village Hall
Saturday 17th	Happy St. Patrick's Day!
Monday 19th	Silver Bin
Wednesday 21st	<b>Gardener's Question Time 7.30pm Community Centre</b>
Thursday 22nd	School Community Lunch
Monday 26th	Green and Brown Bins



### NB BIN COLLECTIONS IN HOLME VILLAGE ON FRIDAYS

*'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)*





