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Sunday
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### Additional Services

- Friday 1st December - Friends of Barkston Concert for Rainbows at 7.00pm with SH
- Thursday 14th December - Lessons and Carols at 7.00pm at Syston with SH
- Friday 15th December - Lessons and Carols at 6.30pm at Brandon with SH
- Monday 25th December - Christmas Day - Christmas Day - at 10.00am at Fulbeck - HC/SH

### Church Services Abbreviations

- HC - Holy Communion
- MP - Morning Prayer
- NS - No Service
- BW - Bob Wall
- JB - Joy Bristow
- LH - Lillian Hall
- MC - Michael Cartwright
- SH - Stuart Hedley
- Val R - Valerie Rampton
- Vic R - Victor Rampton

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May you have the **gift of Faith**, the **blessing of Hope** and the **peace of His Love** at Christmas and always.
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Please Note:

Sunday 21st January is the Feast of Title and Celebration of the signing off of the Restoration of St Vincent’s Church by the Heritage Lottery Fund. To remember our Patron Saint, evensong at 6.00pm will include a short homily followed by a glass of something warming with plum bread and cheese.

Additional Services

Wednesday 3rd January - Holy Communion at 10.00am at Caythorpe
Friday 2nd February - Feast of Candlemas - Holy Communion at 7.00pm at Barkston/SH

Church Services Abbreviations

BW - Bob Wall  CB - Christopher Brightman  CS - Claire Sauer  LH - Lillian Hall
MC - Michael Cartwright  SH - Stuart Hedley  Val R - Valerie Rampton
Vic R - Victor Rampton

A New Year is like a blank book.
The pen is in your hands.
It is your chance to write a beautiful story for yourself.
Christmas is nearly upon us. I find it very exciting! In spite of a few grumbles, I love getting ready for it all; Christmas tree and lights, cards, gifts, turkey, pud, carols, church, and 'phoning family members all over the world. But it's always more meaningful when we spread a bit of peace and good will. Could you use one of these ways?

**Giving**

At Christmas we received the gift of God's Son, a gift we can never repay. Can we give to someone who'll never repay us? There'll be many media appeals; can we respond? Some families give money equivalent to a gift for a family member.

**Care**

At Christmas God showed his loving care for us by sending Jesus. Is there someone who needs a special loving word or action this Christmas? Someone who's lost a loved one, or who won't see another Christmas, or whose loved ones are too far away to be visited, or who don't keep in touch.

Can we call, send a card, or invite them in?

Or say a special 'Thank you' to someone we've been taking for granted?

**Reconciliation**

At Christmas God sent Jesus so that we could be reconciled to God and one another. If we're at odds with someone, then it's a bit easier at Christmas to say 'I'm sorry', or 'Please forgive me', or 'Let's bury the past and have a new start'. We will be singing 'Peace on earth'. Can we help to bring it about? Remember the song: 'Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.'

**Worshipping**

At Christmas the angels worshipped God and opened up the glory of the heavens. Perhaps you've got out of touch with God. Perhaps you need God's forgiveness, and his touch on your life. Why not resolve to seek him afresh this Christmas? Creep away from the hurly-burly and find a few quiet moments when God can speak to your heart in love and wonder. And try to find time to come along to the church services which are listed on page 4 in this edition of News and Views.

May you all know a really extra-special Christmas.

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We meet for coffee at 9.45am for a 10.00am start. They usually conclude with a short service of Holy Communion and a shared lunch.

Everyone is welcome.

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St Vincent’s Church, Caythorpe

Sides People
Sunday 10th December
Mr and Mrs Moses
Sunday 17th December
Mrs J Hoddell
Sunday 24th December
Mr and Mrs J Scott
Sunday 14th January
Mrs J Hoddell and Mrs C Levick
Sunday 21st January
Mrs J Hoddell
Sunday 28th January
Mrs J Russell and Miss S Wills

Flowers
December - Advent
Christmas - Flower Guild
January
To Be Advised

Diary Date
St. Vincent’s Day
Sunday 21st January
at 6.00pm
Evensong
In the Church
To Remember
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Give Thanks and Celebrate
Following the Evensong there will be a glass of something warming, with Plum Bread and Cheese

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Dear Friends,

Earlier in the autumn, I was enjoying my favourite day-off activity, which is to browse in charity and second-hand shops. I came across a slim volume of poetry by a man called Shane Jagger. I would like to share one of his poems with you:

I was – and am – struck by the authenticity of this man’s response to the birth of Jesus. It might be quite possible to debate whether he has got the theology of the incarnation perfectly ‘spot on’. But what I am hearing is a response from the heart that is genuine, and that, to me, gives voice to an instinctive ‘experience’ of Christmas. I do not know his faith background. I do know that he was born in 1960, worked in the fish markets in Hull, and from the late 1970s until his death earlier this year, lived in the Scottish borders.

Reading Shane’s poem, got me to thinking: how would I describe the meaning of Christmas in just a few words? And I wondered whether I should set myself the task of trying to write a description, or to draw a picture, or to take a photo (I’m afraid, writing music is beyond me!) as I make my own preparations to celebrate the birth of Jesus this year? And if I set myself this task, would you perhaps like to join me? Wouldn’t it be wonderful if, across the Diocese of Lincoln, in our own ways, in our own voices, we were able to express something to ourselves – and to others – of what Christmas really means to us?

For the Feast is a feast for all people; the celebration of the giving of God’s very self to the world in love; a giving that invites a response from us all.

May you know God’s blessing and love this Christmas, in whatever circumstances you celebrate it!

Bishop Nicholas
P.S. And if you want to send me your words or your picture, or whatever else your response to the birth of Jesus might be, please do!

We are most grateful to Beshara Publications (www.besharapublications.org.uk) for their kind permission to reprint the work of Shane Jagger here.

At Christmas
we give each other
small gifts
So why at this time?

It
reminds us
a child was born
who would grow up
amongst ordinary people
and by his coming into this world
would bring an extraordinary great
gift
of news
The
Real
could be
approached
without intermediary
by
all men
simply by the means of love

This is why we gift each other at Christmas
AN OPEN INVITATION is extended to a Deanery Service of

Wholeness and Healing

at 7.30pm on
Thursday 14th December and
Thursday 11th January
at
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  b) Receive the laying on of hands if you wish
  c) Write a message on a leaf and put it on a prayer tree
  d) Sit quietly and enjoy God’s peace

You are free to join in as much as you wish or just to sit quietly and pray
All of the above can be for yourself, anyone or any situation you know of.

If you have never been to a Wholeness and Healing Service why not give it a try
You are all most welcome to attend

St Vincent’s Church Prayer Group
Monday 11th December
Monday 8th January
Monday 22nd January
in St Vincent’s Church,
Caythorpe
At 3.00pm with
Coffee/Tea afterwards
It is hoped to finish at 4pm.
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All Welcome
The church is open daily for prayer and reflection.
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Thank You
On behalf of the churches covered by News and Views the Rector [designate] extends his very best wishes to Tony as he prepares to vacate the Editor’s chair and thanks him for his care and concern in giving ample space in News and Views to the churches and their activities.

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The Living Memorial Sculpture Garden in California

In St Vincent’s Church on Remembrance Sunday 2017, I talked in my sermon about the Living Memorial Sculpture Garden in Northern California, close to the border with Oregon. I visited it a few years ago, and it made a deep impression on me.

The park was the idea of two men who fought in the Vietnam war, and it was started in 1988. It is dedicated to all who sacrifice their lives for peace and is a place for reflection on what that truly means. They aimed to plant 58,000 pine trees, one for every person who died in that conflict. But now there are over 90,000 trees.

The Garden covers a large area on the north-west slopes of Mt Shasta which is 14,000 feet high and covered with snow even in summer. The ground of the garden is sandy and dry and there’s abundant wildlife. It’s baking hot in summer, but covered with snow in winter.

The Garden includes a Wall inscribed with the names of those who died in Vietnam and in conflicts since; there’s a Labyrinth to walk, an aid to meditation and prayer; and evocative sculptures, some of which are shown opposite. These are spread along a mile-long path; they’re larger than life and made of twisted metal. They were designed and made by Vietnam veteran, Dennis Smith, and he commented on each.

The central sculpture is called Why? - a man with arms outstretched to the sky. Below (not shown) are two figures in despair. Smith wrote, “After all the deeds are done and the soldier goes home, sits alone in front of a warm fire on a cold night, having time to think his own thoughts, he may ask himself a few questions. Why me? Why not me? Why him and not me? Why war? Why not war? The Why questions are endless”.

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There’s a man shut in a small cage his legs chained to the side. “This is for all who have been wrongfully Locked Up. Imagine confinement, mosquitoes, leeches, rats, rotten rice, rotten fish, abusive guards and little chance of any survival. Hope is reaching for the will to ‘Hang on’. Of The Wounded (the man has lost his left hand) he wrote, “There are many ways to be wounded, not just in body, but in mind and spirit also”.

The Nurses depicts three figures carrying a man on a stretcher, with the dedication: “Honouring nurses, medical assistants, pharmacists, doctors: courageous souls who bring the healing arts to places rife with injury and death”. God love them; they saved a lot of lives.

Those Left Behind is a sculpture of woman standing with arms outstretched in despair. Smith writes: “Who can repay those who have lost loved ones in combat? What on this earth can compensate for the loss of life?” Then there are hopeful sculptures.

The Homecoming depicts that joyful embrace of man and woman. And The Flute Player: The flute symbolises peace and tranquillity. Apparently, when the breeze is from the right direction, then the flute sounds; but when I was there the air was hot and heavy and still.

It is a very moving experience to see the Wall, walk among these and the other sculptures, and then meditate and pray whilst walking the Labyrinth. If you ever find yourself in North California, do pay a visit.

Valerie Rampton
So … It’s Goodbye From Me And It’s Goodbye From Her

Three years ago this month, I agreed to take on board the editorship of the Caythorpe News which began life as a church newsletter. I could see the need for an informative and interesting magazine, full of all of the important dates, events and people we are likely to need.

**News and Views** was the result, it ticked all those boxes and more. We have over a thousand copies printed each month which are delivered to Caythorpe, Frieston, Normanton on Cliffe and Carlton Scroop by our **dedicated volunteers**. Additionally, it is well received by many residents of Ancaster, Leadenham, Fulbeck and other nearby villages many of whom have used it to advertise their businesses or local events.

We have been told by others in the magazine industry that **News and Views** is the model upon which all village magazines should be based - high praise indeed.

My wife, Sue, and I feel proud of our achievement and would like to thank all of our regular contributors, our printers and Bruce Nelson and Mel Stevens from Caythorpe Parish Council. In addition, our grateful thanks go to all our advertisers, our letter-writers and to those who have sent emails, notes and phone calls expressing sadness at the prospect of losing the magazine you look forward to each month and for thanking us - it means a great deal to both of us. Naturally, we feel a little sad at losing our “baby” but we also look forward to having more time to spend with Sue’s elderly mother and our five children and their growing families.

But, fear not - O Ye Of Little Faith….I am happy to announce the appointment of **NEW EDITORS for News and Views! Oh, Happy Day!**

In January, **LAURA and PETE LEEDS** of High Street, Caythorpe, will become the joint editors of **News and Views**.

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We both wish Laura and Pete **Good Luck** in their new venture and look forward to seeing their first edition in February.

As this issue covers December and January, there will be no edition in January.

The contact email: newsandviews@hotmail.co.uk will remain the same.

In addition, I would also like to welcome **Janet McNeil** and her partner who have recently moved to Frieston. Janet has kindly offered to take responsibility for the distribution of the magazine to the volunteers in Caythorpe and Frieston. Sue will continue to organise the delivery of the remainder for the time being.

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Andy Roberts’s Reminiscences of The Eight Bells

Some readers of News and Views may have wondered why a pub sign depicting Eight Church Bells is hanging from the gable end of no. 15 Chapel Lane. The story is as follows. Twenty years ago the popular Eight Bells pub situated at the Chapel Lane / High Street junction closed. It brought to an end 213 years of history of use by locals and it was held in the affectionate regard by veterans of the Parachute Signals regiment who were billeted here during WWII.

By 1997 the pub was owned by a property company, Ascot Estates, which wished to sell for £70,000. There was a buyer, Richard Geering, an Animal Science Lecturer at De Montfort University (which had premises at Caythorpe Court), he wished to convert the pub into a house. The premises were offered to Sheila Bisset, the landlady but she could not raise the capital. Ascot Estates applied to the District Council for change of use.

The Parish Council held an extraordinary meeting to discuss the matter as there were strong feelings in the village about the application. Having locked the players of the weekly whist drive in the pub, Sheila attended along with several regulars to address the meeting. She stated the pub business was solvent and to close it would be to the detriment of village life.

The Parish Council resolved to object to the change of use from licensed premises to a dwelling on the grounds of the loss of the village amenity and the detrimental effect on village life. The Council authorised a letter to Ascot Estates urging them to retain the pub with the existing landlady.

When the SKDC Planning Committee met, each Councillor had been provided with a set of accounts by Ascot Estates stating the pub was trading at a loss.

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Sheila disputed this and brought paperwork to back this up. However, the Planning Committee resolved to allow the change of use and the pub had to close.

Pictured is Sheila receiving parting gifts from the regulars. Also there is a photo taken in 1969 of a previous popular landlord Bill Eyett, his wife Alice and their daughter Carol. Bill was the tenant between 1966 and 1978.

A few years ago I was helping Bob Scott clear out scrap from Askeys Yard when I found the old pub sign. I asked Brenda, Arthur’s widow, if I could have it and together we decided to give it to Darran Martin who, along with his extended family, had been good customers over the years. Darran put it on his house wall. Records reveal that Ascot Estates were paid £82,000 for the pub. Just a year later it was sold again for £155,000.

Many people of a certain age will have their own memory of the Eight Bells. Mine is from 1965 when I was a student at the Kesteven Farm Institute at Caythorpe Court.

At the Institute there was no bar and vehicles were not allowed. Lectures, practicals, farm duties, a compulsory evening study period and visits home restricted to four per term meant that I and others were pleased to get away for a break most evenings to the Eight Bells where landlord Bob Madison made us welcome.

At the end of the nine month course employers would come looking for farm workers. I was interviewed in the best room at the pub and landed good-paying interesting farm work near Stamford. Little did I know I would return to Caythorpe in 1976 as the Village Policeman staying until retirement in 2006.

That is another story.

My thanks to Richard Dix and Mike Eyett for loan of the photos and to Sheila Bisset for her memories.

Andy Roberts
Caythorpe
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In and Around the Garden

As the last of the leaves fall from deciduous trees the evergreens become more prominent. Native evergreens are not very numerous, but two, holly and ivy, are valued at this time of year for Christmas decoration.

*Hedera helix*, common ivy, is especially useful to clothe north facing walls, where choice of suitable plants is limited. Ivy is also good for wildlife: it provides nesting places for birds and shelter for invertebrates. Shoots of mature specimens that have topped their support, change form and produce pointed oval leaves, flowers in autumn that are rich in nectar and berries and in winter are eaten by blackbirds and thrushes. Those are its good points. On the downside, it can be a real thug and I am in the process of getting rid of a large patch on the garden wall that I have fought to contain for years. It grows up to three metres a year, flowing over the wall to engulf next door’s shed, and creeps into every crevice. In the past, other specimens have pulled over an apple tree and made a garden building permanently damp by trapping water against its walls and one is currently in the process of pushing the top rail off a new and rather expensive fence. There is even a case of a house that was completely engulfed after being left unoccupied for a couple of years. I shall salve my conscience by maintaining a large *Fatsia*, a related species with similar flowers and fruit, and training a honeysuckle in place of the ivy, just as vigorous but a lot easier to keep in check.

Holly has the downside of being rather prickly, but there are several garden varieties, including ‘Golden King’ and ‘JC van Tol’ that are relatively spineless and make fine specimens. Conversely the hedgehog holly ‘Ferox’ has spines on the surface of the leaves as well as the sides – ouch! Holly is dioecious, having female and male flowers on separate plants: only females bear berries and need a male nearby to fertilise them, but in a rural area there is sure to be a wild male tree somewhere around to do the job. Despite their names both ‘Golden King’ and ‘JC van Tol’ are female, and favourites of mine.

Now the weather is getting colder, goldfinches are back in the garden; groups of eight to twelve birds arrive together and squabble noisily at the bird feeder. Despite this, we only have to fill it half as often as before: the new squirrel baffle must be doing its job. So far, there are very few greenfinches and chaffinches, but blue, coal and great tits visit in ones and twos. They nip in between the finches, grab a seed and retreat to a nearby tree to eat it – much better table manners. I will put the fat balls out soon but first I need to modify the feeder to stop jackdaws and starlings gorging the lot before the long tailed tits get a chance.

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Carlton Scroop Parish Charities

The Carlton Scroop Parish Charities is a single charity, made up of 3 original charities dating back as far as 1748, namely:

- Charity of an Unknown Donor
- Charity of Edith Tyndale
- The Parish Lands

The current Trustees of the Charity are:

- Alan Thomas (Chairman), Reverend Stuart Hadley, Tim Hutton, Janine Arnott
- Elizabeth Naeem (on behalf of the Parish Council).

The Trustees administer just over five acres of land held by the Charity in Carlton Scroop and manage the finances. The original purpose of the Charities was to support the poor and the needy. This has been expanded over the years to support projects that benefit the community in both Carlton Scroop and Normanton. Recent projects supported by the Charity included a contribution to the Traffic Reduction Speed signs in the two villages and the purchase of a Defibrillator for the redundant phone box in Normanton.

All the Charity’s land is rented to tenants at the moment. This generates a small amount of income per annum. The Charity also receives investment income and interest from its investments and deposits. This is added to the Accumulated Fund each year.

The purpose of this article is twofold: Firstly, the Trustees have not been able to identify any residents of the two parishes in need of support in recent years. As we are approaching Christmas, should anyone be aware of any resident in Carlton Scroop or Normanton who may need some form of support and could benefit from the Charity, please contact one of the Trustees by e-mail CSCharities@mail.com or telephone 01400 250154.

Secondly, the Charity is always looking for new Trustees. So, if any resident in Carlton Scroop and Normanton is interested in becoming a Trustee, please contact one of the Trustees on 01400 250154 or e-mail CSCCharities@mail.com.

Alan Thomas, Chairman, Carlton Scroop Parish Charities

Caythorpe and Frieston Allotment Association Fundraiser

On Saturday 14th October, we held our last coffee morning and produce sale of the year at Caythorpe Village Hall. We managed to dig up and pick produce from our allotments and also had home-made jams, chutneys, fruit pies and crumbles for sale. We were very lucky with the fine weather and also the GP’s holding their flu vaccinations on the same morning; these brought in the brave and sore armed for a well-earned cup of tea, coffee and a slice or two of home-made cake.

Our raffle was also very popular with lovely packaged wine and chocolates which will make super Christmas presents...if they last that long!

The raffle winners were: A Mason, Sheila Smith, Mel Stevens, Geoff Ashcroft, Gordon Grant, Bob Greybrook, Val, Deanna, James Waspe, Nev & Carol, Sheila Smith, Tina, Sheila Smith, Peter Manderfield and Howard Adcock.

On behalf of everyone at the CFAA, a big thank you to everyone who supported our coffee morning where we raised money for Caythorpe Village Hall, Caythorpe Playing Fields and the CFAA.

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Alan Mason Reveals All At The Garden Society

Alan Mason, professional gardener, designer, TV and radio presenter and accomplished raconteur was the speaker at our November meeting, talking about his life as a Head Gardener. As a boy Alan hoped to be a professional footballer, but illness caused him to miss a trial for Leeds. A self confessed ‘lazy boy’ at school Alan left with no ‘O’ levels and started work as a garden apprentice. Realising early on that there was little future without some qualifications he worked hard to qualify as a horticulturist and groundsman, and eventually worked for several big houses as Head Gardener.

Alan went on to tell us about his experiences and of some of the unexpected things he was asked to do, including flower arranging and helping to clean carpets by dragging them across fresh snow. He also made a few mistakes, including dripping petrol across a bowling green and watering a plant in an antique jardinière without realising that it was made of papier mache!

While at Harewood House he started to become involved with local TV and radio, learning this new craft from the experienced panel on Gardener’s Question Time. This led to a move to a career as a presenter of TV gardening programmes and as a garden designer and restorer. Many thanks to Alan for a most enjoyable evening in his company.

Our December and January meetings are not open to visitors, but for information on becoming a member contact David Fidler on 01400 272630. On Tuesday 13th February our speaker will be Russell Yates on the subject of topiary. Visitors will be welcome – just come along to Carlton Scroop Village Hall, 7:30pm for 7:45pm.

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Caythorpe Church and Village Win Two Awards of Excellence

St Vincent’s, Caythorpe has won two awards from the Society for Lincolnshire History and Archaeology (SLHA). The first is for the research and production of the new Church Guide and the second is for the Caythorpe War Memorial Guide with the Passports of Remembrance. Both these projects involved a hard working team of people and were funded through the Heritage Lottery Fund thanks to National Lottery players.

SLHA thought the St Vincent’s Church Guide “an outstanding example of a church guide, not only suited to the visitor but also to the serious student researching the church’s history. It carries some superb photographs and is very well designed and produced”.

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**Come and see Our House this December**

Sir William Robertson Academy is busy rehearsing for its 2017 school production of *Our House, the Madness musical*. More than seventy pupils from years 7 to 13 are cast in their version of the West End hit musical. The production is being put together by SWRA’s Drama and Music Departments and led by Miss Bryony Burrough, Head of Drama and Mr Mike Willson, Head of Music.

*Our House* is a musical with music and lyrics by Madness based on a book by playwright Tim Firth. The show features songs from the ska/pop band Madness and was named after one of the band’s popular hit singles, *Our House*. One song, *It Must Be Love*, was written by Labi Siffre. Premiering at The Cambridge Theatre in London’s West End in 2002, *Our House* was the winner of the 2003 Olivier award for Best New Musical and has since gone on to tour both nationally and internationally to great acclaim. Through the music of Madness, writer Tim Firth explores the themes of love, family values, growing up, responsibility and dealing with losing the people that shape us.

The story follows Camden lad Joe Casey who, on the night of his 16th birthday, makes a decision that will change his life. Trying to impress Sarah, the girl of his dreams, Joe breaks into a building development overlooking his home on Casey Street. But things take a turn for the worse as the police turn up. Joe’s life splits into two: the Good Joe who stays and gives himself up and Bad Joe who flees and leaves Sarah to run from the police. *Our House* follows the two paths that Joe’s life could take after that fateful night; one path means a criminal record and social exclusion, while the other will lose him the girl that he loves.

Mr Willson and the cast members are also preparing for a fun *Our House* workshops tour around the primary schools in late November and those primary schools will get chance to come and see the show at a matinee performance on Wednesday 13th December.
Having greeted us all and welcomed guests Diane Egglestone, Margaret Grant and Jas Wells, Pauline Dorey completed the business side of our meeting and introduced us to Sally-Ann MacWilliam.

Sally-Ann would definitely be the life and soul of any party with her highly infectious laugh and fun personality. She began by giving us a brief insight into the history of Bollywood which is the name coined by an Indian journalist to describe the Indian film industry in the 1980's. It is a combination of Bombay and Hollywood; in Pakistan it is known as Lollywood!

A Bollywood film can last as long as four hours and tells its story with lots of dance, songs and colour. In the 1950's, a western influence (jazz and disco) added to the classical Indian dances; there is no dance vocabulary as in ballet and ballroom. The moves originated in the temples and through story telling. The eyes, hands (finger movements) and feet all combine to create an often, fast-paced and exciting dance. Dandiya sticks, wooden bells and tassels are used for added rhythm and spectacle and the male dances originally came from the farming community in the Punjab.

History over, it was time to dance! Up we all got and as she played a very upbeat Indian version of *Pretty Woman* (you had to be there!) we all learned the finger movements, basic steps and two dances, the one using the Dandiya sticks and the other using colourful scarves. In my notes I have written "fantastic workout, total fun" which it was; it was so hot that we had to open the hall doors!

Sally-Ann is involved in the *What About Me Theatre Arts* and teaches Street Dance, Bollywood, musical theatre, drama, burlesque and pop dance and is available for birthdays, hen parties and other special occasions. Janet Hoddell gave the vote of thanks.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 14th December when we will be at the Red Lion for our Christmas lunch (12.00 noon for 12:30pm please). The January meeting, on Thursday 11th will be held at 7.30pm in the Hammond Pavilion on Old Lincoln Road. This will be a games evening and we shall be sampling the cakes being baked by members all using the same ingredients. It will be interesting to see how our different creations will vary! HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL from the WI.

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“Joseph went…to register…in Bethlehem.” Nothing could anger a Jew more than that. A counting of the people (a census) at the order of a heathen emperor – especially one as universally hated as Herod – would represent the worst-case scenario for Jewish sensitivity. The census was made in the Jewish, rather than the Roman manner, which meant that the people would have been entered on the roll according to the tribe, family and house of their father. We are told in the Gospel that Joseph ‘was of the house of David’, and the city of David was Bethlehem.

Therefore, in accordance with Jewish law, Joseph had to go all the way to Bethlehem to be entered in the roll. Mary, now the ‘betrothed’ of Joseph, was not required to go with him, but as she was well into her pregnancy, there was no question of Joseph leaving her behind in Nazareth. For the two travellers from Galilee, bringing with them the few necessary items of a poor household, it was a long and weary journey. They probably avoided Samaria and walked south along the east bank of the Jordan, taking several days, often passing through some difficult terrain.

A sense of peace and rest must have crept over them as they reached the rich fields of pasture which surrounded ancient Bethlehem, nesting in the hills about 2,700 feet above sea level. On one side was the great castle built as a palace and fortress by Herod. On the other was the highland wilderness of Judea, which concealed the holy city of Jerusalem from view. The little town was crowded with those who had come to register their names. The visitors from far-off Galilee found every house and inn completely occupied. The only space available was in the stables in a cave below an inn. We translate it as “Inn”, but in fact it was probably a Khan - often called a Caravanserai - which is a walled courtyard, with rooms against the walls, often on two storeys all around the central court, where bazaars and markets were held. A Khan is a much more public and noisy a place than an English Inn. With Mary in her condition, the seclusion and privacy of the stable would have been all the more welcome. It was here, then, that the time came for her to have her baby, “and she gave birth to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger.”

Apart from this statement of bare fact, the Gospel draws a veil over the birth. But, as we pass from the holy gloom of the stable out into the night, the sky full of twinkling stars, strange events were about to happen. It was a known fact in Jewish history and belief that the expected Messiah would be born in Bethlehem, and that he would be revealed from Migdal Eder - the “Tower of the Flocks.” This Migdal Eder was not the watch-tower of the ordinary flocks of sheep, beyond Bethlehem; this tower was close to the city on the road to Jerusalem. The sheep pastured here were destined for Temple sacrifice.

So that night, as the shepherds were watching over the flocks reserved for sacrificial services in the very place, consecrated by tradition, as that where the Messiah is to be revealed, suddenly came

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the long-expected announcement. An angel stood before their dazzled eyes. Surprise, awe, fear would be hushed into calm as they heard from the angel, not judgement, but good tidings of the long-promised Saviour, Messiah, Lord – born in the city of David, and that they must go to see. When the herald-angel had spoken, they heard the sound of wonderful singing, and as the hymn of praise ceased, and the sky became dark again, the shepherds made their way rapidly up the terraces to the city.

The lamp swinging over the entrance to the Khan guided them to the strangers. What had happened in the stable must have become known in the Khan soon after the birth. Perhaps friendly women were still running errands for Mary when the shepherds arrived. There they found, perhaps not what they expected, but certainly what they had been told. We don’t know anything of the conversation in the stable, but, having seen the baby for themselves, the shepherds would surely have related what had been spoken to them about the child, to everyone: in the Khan, in the fields, and probably in the Temple to which they would bring their flocks; and so they prepared the minds of a Simeon and an Anna. And now the hush of expectancy fell over all who heard the news.

Yet, it seems so sudden, so strange, that the salvation of the world should hang on such a slender thread as the feeble throb of a baby’s heart; and no better shelter provided than a stable; no other cradle than a manger. Strange! But, then, look at us today. On what slender thread does the continued life of the church seem to hang; on what feeble throbbing the life of every Christian soul? Today, the majority of the nation goes on with its life in total indifference to the coming of Christ among us. There seems to be selfishness and a cynicism in this country of ours, made worse by the way news is presented in the media. This cynicism will destroy us as a civilized nation unless we recognise it and eradicate it.

The younger generation is the exception to my assessment. Young people are looking for a spiritual dimension to life, but too many don’t think the Christian church can offer it. That is as much the fault of the Church as it is of the parents. Christ was born to enable us to see God, and to love him as our Creator. Too often representatives of the Church have stood in the way and blocked the light.

What happened to the shepherds? While I’ve been banging on about this country forsaking Christ, they’ve left the stable. They returned to their flocks, and we hear no more about them. They were the first to visit the new-born baby; they probably told Mary and Joseph what they had seen and heard by the Tower of Migdal Eder. Then, after a reasonable interval, they left quietly, and walked away into the world of sheep. I wonder if Jesus met any of them when he came to Jerusalem during his ministry. If he did, he didn’t call any of them to follow him as a disciple. They had done their work for him. They had obeyed the will of the Herald-angel, and had seen the child lying in a manger, and they had told others that the Messiah had arrived in Bethlehem. The rest was sheep and the daily round. God didn’t choose the great and the good to bear witness to his birth – he chose shepherds. And he has chosen you.

I wish you a very happy, blessed and peaceful Christmastide.

Brian Lucas
(The last Rector of Caythorpe)
How To Use The Defibrillators at Carlton Scroop and Normanton

Residents in Carlton Scroop and Normanton may have noticed that a defibrillator has been installed in the former telephone box at Main Street, Normanton (purchased by the Carlton Scroop Parish Charities) and also another outside Sudbrook Moor Golf Club at Charity Street, Carlton Scroop (purchased by the Parish Council).

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GLASSUMIMASS In 2010, artsNK (North Kesteven) set up a group to work on designing three large free-standing glass lanterns. These are now finished, and were displayed in Boston Church for several weeks. They are now in St Helen’s Brant Broughton until the end of January. Do drop in at any time in daylight hours to see them. There is no charge. The name comes from ‘glass’ (from which they are made), ‘illumination’ and ‘mass’ to designate the churches which inspired the designs.
If it’s good old-fashioned family fun you seek then this year’s Leadenham Players’ Pantomime production will tick all the boxes. You’ll be laughing, booing, cheering, and singing-a-long, with the whole cast of colourful characters in Alan Frayn’s superbly written *Robin Hood, Babes in the Wood*.

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**You’re going to love it, oh yes you will!**

Our pantomime will be performed on Friday 26th January at 7.00pm and on Saturday 27th January at 2.30pm and again at 7.00pm. Further performances will take place on Friday 2nd February at 7.00pm and on Saturday 3rd February at 2.30pm and again at 7.00pm for the final performance this year. There will be refreshments on sale and it is advised to get there about 20 minutes before the performance is due to start.

To obtain single, concession or family tickets please book online at The Leadenham Players’ website [www.leadenhamplayers.co.uk](http://www.leadenhamplayers.co.uk). Alternatively, you can book direct by ringing 07753 579906.

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News & Views….It is very good to be able to report that all of Tony Case’s hard work will not be lost as, with effect from February, Laura and Pete Leeds have very kindly agreed to take over as Joint Editors, their support is very much appreciated. Please keep sending in all your news and articles. Many thanks again to Tony (and to Sue) for all their hard work.

Parish precept for 2018/19….At its recent meeting, your Parish Council has proposed that the precept should be increased by 2%. This amounts to on average just less than £1 per annum per household in the parish. If you have any comments on this proposal or require more details as to how we spend the precept that we receive please do not hesitate to contact any member of your Parish Council and or the Parish Clerk. The final decision on the proposed increase will be taken at our next meeting to be held on Wednesday 10th January 2018.

High Street congestion and parking…
The Parish Council will be putting forward to LCC Highways proposals which it is hoped will go some way to alleviate the congestion that occurs both near the Red Lion and in the area of the Village Hall, shop and school. The proposal is to have road markings indicating the exact location of bus stops along with double yellow lines on one side of the High Street at the narrow pinch point that exists there. If you would like details please do not hesitate to contact your Parish Clerk. These proposals will only be implemented if they obtain the approval of LCC Highways which it has to be said may take some time. In addition we are looking for an area of hard standing to be provided by LCC Highways along Back Lane adjacent to the school field in order to accommodate more easily, cars that park there whilst dropping off and picking up pupils from the school. We have received the full support and help from County Councillor Alexander Maughan over both initiatives. It has to be said, however, that at the end of the day parking issues will only be resolved if drivers of all vehicles apply common sense when parking.

A note of thanks….As we reach the end of another year it is timely to thank those within our community who give so freely of their time in helping run the various clubs and organisations that we enjoy.

Forthcoming meeting….The Parish Council next meet in the Village Hall on Wednesday January 10th 2018; the exact timing and detailed agenda will be displayed as usual on notice boards throughout the Parish.

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Comments from the children:
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“I love the bridge and the slide.”
"I like playing shops with my friends."

Multi-skills
Our Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 children had a great time at multi-skills last Friday where they developed a range of skills including hand-eye coordination, balancing and teamwork. Charlie and Chloe were fantastic Young Leaders who helped with organising and running the different activities. Miss Turner said that all of our children were extremely well behaved and participated fully in all activities.

Keeping Healthy
As part of their ‘Keeping Healthy’ topic, Reception and KS1 have been looking at how nursing has changed over the years. After learning about the work of Florence Nightingale, they thoroughly enjoyed a visit from Nurse Linforth who came into school to talk to them about modern day nursing. The children found out about the importance of keeping healthy and had a great time using the stethoscope to listen to each other’s heartbeats and the thermometer to check their temperature!

Magical Maths
Magical Maths Assembly and some children opted to join the Magical Maths after school club! Staff and children were particularly impressed when the professor squared numbers quickly in her head and worked out Mr O’Mahoney’s age!
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- Girl Guides 19:00 to 20:30

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- Yoga 09:30 to 11:00
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Tony’s Quiz Time!
Answers on Page 54
1. Which is the longest bone in the human body?
2. What does Spumante mean on a bottle of wine?
3. Name the Three Wise Men.
4. In which century was the Mona Lisa painted?
5. What name is given to a quarter of a circle?
6. Who was the brother of Wilbur Wright who invented the aeroplane?
7. In 2010, which political party won its first ever parliamentary seat at Brighton Pavilion in 2010?
8. Which TV comedy series featured such characters as Radar and Hot Lips?
9. What new name was given to the Millennium Dome in 2007?
10. Which US city is named after that of the ancient capital of Egypt?
11. In which year was The Battle of Britain?
12. Which two dances are used as words in the phonetic alphabet?
13. Name the of the only son of John Lennon and Yoko Ono.
14. In which London Borough is the Royal Albert Hall situated?
15. Who wrote the novel The Importance of Being Earnest?
16. How many "TV" Dr Who's have there been?
17. Which human organ was the first to be transplanted?
18. What is the lightest weight category in Olympic boxing?
19. What is the last word in the Bible?
20. Who was the Editor of Caythorpe News until December 2014?

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How many words are there containing four or more letters? Each word must use the central letter.

What is the nine-letter word?
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Tony and Sue Case

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I Opened a Book

“I opened a book and in I strode. Now nobody can find me. I’ve left my chair, my house, my road, My town and my world behind me. I’m wearing the cloak, I’ve slipped on the ring, I’ve swallowed the magic potion. I’ve fought with a dragon, dined with a king And dived in a bottomless ocean. I opened a book and made some friends. I shared their tears and laughter And followed their road with its bumps and bends To the happily ever after. I finished my book and out I came. The cloak can no longer hide me. My chair and my house are just the same, But I have a book inside me.”

— Julia Donaldson
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