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CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS TO YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES!

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around the Parish of Northwood, Isle of Wight**

HELLO THERE!

On a recent visit to Cowes library our boys chatted to Adam, one of the fab team of librarians. As he was checking out their latest pile of books, he asked them a question 'Would you rather have sausage fingers or jelly toes?'. I laughed out loud, but my boys looked seriously at him. 'What was the choice again?' one of them said, so Adam repeated the question. Both boys thought long and hard, weighed up pros and cons for both and then came to the conclusion 'sausage fingers' which I agreed with!

This prompted the beginning of a very long and highly entertaining afternoon for all of us as we gave one another choices to pick from: I banned the 'who do you prefer Mum or Dad/Jacob or Samuel' type questions (!!!) but I think we can safely say we all learnt a lot from one another and our preferences. However, I hit the big one at teatime when I asked, 'What would you rather Christmas Presents without family or Family Christmas without presents?'

I am proud and delighted to say that they didn't think too long before saying 'Family Christmas without presents': if only I was brave enough to carry out that choice – I would certainly appreciate the extra time not shopping would give me! But think about it, how much do we spend time on things which we think are vital and yet are actually not that important in the long run?

A congregation member came up to me last week and told me how sad she was walking up and down the local high street, seeing all the Christmas decorations and displays but not once seeing a 'Baby Jesus' or anything slightly 'Nativity-esc' in the shop windows. As a result, I have asked some awesome knitters I know, congregation as well as community members, to knit some angels and hopefully you will be seeing them appear around the village throughout the month. People will then be encouraged to drop them off in the church close to Christmas so we can truly make a multitude of angels as we, once again, hear the story of the first Christmas!

Now I want you to know that this is not your local vicar doing a publicity stunt to try and get more people in her church, this is her simply trying to bring us back to the true meaning of Christmas and to spread the **GOOD NEWS** the angels brought to the shepherds all those years ago. That message was one of hope, of love, of joy, of peace. Who is not up for such a message now?

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The world has had too many natural disasters recently, our own country suffering the horrid flooding in Yorkshire last month as well as tragic heartache such as those dozens of people dying in the back of a refrigeration van in Kent in October. By the time you are reading this we would have been overwhelmed with Party Political broadcasts and coverage for the General Election that takes place later this month. We need some joy in our lives, we need some love, we need some hope and definitely the world needs some peace. And whilst the decorations are lovely, I am sure you will agree with me that we all need something that lasts a bit more than a month or so.

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I get a great sense of love and joy, and especially hope and peace through my faith and it is always wonderful when I hear others say the same. But I want all of us, every one of your lovely readers to have similar feelings. So where can you get them if you do not have any faith? My response would be - through family, with friends, around our village. There are various opportunities to get some love etc from the events and groups that happen in our neighbourhood and the people we live amongst as well as those who love and care for us. You may not have recently gone to any groups in our area or popped into the local shops and cafes but I can assure you – if you do, you will find a lot of love and hope: we are so blessed in our community. So, try and find a way to lift your spirits this month - call up old friends if you cannot get out, meet up for a coffee with someone if you can. Focus on the good things in your life, on the things that are important, and it may enable you to get some more positivity in your life which may not have recently been there during these cold, damp and dark days. And working on this is important for our own sanity and well-being: we need to surround ourselves in these long-lasting positive feelings and not just temporary tinsel this year, as it will ensure we go into 2020 in the best shape possible.

So this year don't panic about that special candle for the centre of your table, the matching cutlery, the perfectly dressed tree....focus on love, joy, hope and peace and then you will be able to have a truly Blessed Christmas that you all so richly deserve and the one that Jesus came to bring all those year ago.

With love and blessings for this Christmas Season

Rev Amanda

P.S. If you would like to join in the 'Modern Day Multitude of Angels' challenge and knit an angel to display in your window, drop me an email (amandacollinson01@gmail.com) and I will send you a pattern!

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MESSAGE FROM REV AMANDA COLLINSON

Do you know of someone who would appreciate a visit by the church? Or would you, yourself, like to meet and talk with someone from the church? Please contact me, via phone or email listed above: I would be delighted to meet with you, to bring communion to you if you cannot come to church, or to explore with you if you just want to know more about the Christian faith. I am always here for you – because that's what the church is about!

Would you like a flower arrangement made in memory of a loved one. or for an anniversary?

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For further details please contact **Sally Martin on 295416**

St John the Baptist, Northwood Parish Church



Church Cleaning Rota December 2019

6th	Volunteer Required
13th	Mr D. Hallam, Mrs S. Hallam
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NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH SERVICES in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood

December 2019

1st 1st Sunday of Advent

11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

8th 2nd Sunday of Advent

11.00 am Christingle and Toy Service *for the charity Frontline*
(refreshments served from 10.30 am)

3.00 pm Christingle service for the Community

14th 10.00 am Thanksgiving service for those who have lost a loved one

15th 3rd Sunday of Advent

11.00 am Holy Communion

22nd 4th Sunday of Advent

11.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

6.00 pm Carols by Candlelight (*Mulled wine and mince pies served after the service*)

24th CHRISTMAS EVE

5.00 pm Crib Service

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

25th CHRISTMAS DAY

11.00am Family Christmas Communion

29th 1st Sunday of Christmas

11.00 am Celtic Communion

3.00 pm Café Service (Northwood Scout Hall)

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NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH SERVICES
in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood
January 2020

5th 1st Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

12th 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am All Age worship (refreshments from 10.30 am)

19th 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am Holy Communion

26th Candlemas

11.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

Church Cleaning Rota January 2020	
3rd	Volunteer Required
10th	Mr P. Lambert, Mrs P. Lambert
17th	Volunteer Required
24th	Mrs E. Banks
31st	Volunteer Required

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COMMUNITY COFFEE AND CHAT
on Thursday 12th December 2019
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 At Northwood Scout Hut 2pm-4pm

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In Aid of The Children's Society

Meet at 13 Wyatts Lane, Northwood on Monday 16th December at 6 pm.

Finishing at the Horseshoe Inn at 8.30 pm
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Northwood Church – Chawton Lane

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Craft Evenings at Northwood Church

Northwood Church are hosting the last craft evenings leading up to Christmas.

Tuesday 3rd of December – Fresh floral Christmas wreaths

The class is from 7pm - 10pm and costs £15 payable on the night.

All tools and materials are included as well as refreshments and homemade cake.

All proceeds from these evenings go towards church funds so please only book if you intend to come or let us know as soon as possible if you can't make it.

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All Saints' Church Gurnard

Cowes Concert Band

Monday 2nd December 7.45pm

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 8th 10.30am To be arranged
 15th 10.30am Mrs. Jane Dronfield
 22nd 10.30am Carols – Rev. David Plumb
 24th 4.00pm Christingle
 25th 10.00am Christmas Day Service

Services for January

Sunday 5th 10.30am To be arranged
 12th 10.30am Mrs. Marion Best
 19th 10.30am Mr. Geoff Russell
 26th 10.30am Mr. Graham Fowler
 Tea and Coffee will be served after the service

CHRISTMAS DISPLAY December 5th to 8th

Opening times: Thursday 2 – 4 Light up a Life Service 6.30

Friday and Saturday 11 – 4

Saturday 11am Simon Langton Grammar School for Boys Chamber Choir

Coffee will be served from 10.15am

Sunday Service 10.30am – Display open 12 – 2

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Northwood Parish Council Report 5th November 2019

Following discussions at the Parish Meeting and e-mails to IOW Council the following took place.

On the 7th of November three Parish Councillors and the ward councillor John Nicholson met with representatives from Islands Roads and the Isle of Wight Council in Pallance Road. This was to discuss the problems with traffic flow, parking and speeding. As residents will be aware Pallance Road can be very intimidating for pedestrians, with no pavement for most of it's length. The Parish Council had some suggestions to put forward and these will be considered by the representatives. These include Yellow Lines, Pedestrian Signage, Ghost Pavement. Kevin Burton, Island Roads, was thanked for the recently installed Speed monitoring device. Concern was also expressed about drainage and water running down the road, which could freeze. We now wait for responses.

Speed Watch. The police have informed us that the current kit being used is no longer fit for purpose. New kit has been paid for by Newport and Carisbrooke Community Council.

Housing Needs survey. We are waiting for the IOW Council to produce a standard questionnaire applicable across the Island.

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TOP TIPS.

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- Ask about the Warm Home Discount
- Go onto the Priority Service Register if you have a vulnerable person in your home.
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MEETINGS

Meetings of the Parish Council are held monthly on the first Tuesday of the month, commencing at 6.30pm. The meeting of the Planning Committee, if required, is held on the third Tuesday of the month, commencing at 6.30pm

Agendas and Minutes are available at www.northwoodparishcouncil.org

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NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

Our monthly Residents Event is still very popular. We would like to see a few more people come and enjoy our afternoon. It is a chance to meet up with old friends, who you have not seen for a while and also make new friends. We enjoy a variety of speakers on many interesting subjects, a cup of tea and a quiz. Just to end the afternoon we have a raffle. If you have transport difficulties, telephone please call 296020 or 282242 and we will arrange for you.

We are still trying very hard to obtain some funding so that we can carry on with the Monthly Events.

Our next Event is on WEDNESDAY 18TH December 2019. This is our Annual Christmas Lunch at The New Holmwood Hotel, Cowes at 12.30 pm.

If you would like to join us, please contact me as soon as possible.

Our Event Dates for 2020 :-

January 15 th	February 19 th	March 18 th	April 15 th	May 20 th
June 17 th	July 15 th	August 19 th	September 16 th	

October 21st

November 18th

On behalf of the Community Partnership, I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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COWES-DEAUVILLE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

This Association was formed in 1964 with a view to furthering social, cultural and sporting exchanges between the citizens of both towns.
Anyone with an interest in France and the French and who have, or have had, some connection with Cowes, Gurnard, Northwood, East Cowes and Whippingham are very welcome to apply for membership.
New members are always welcome
Chairman: Andy Waters 297694 Secretary: Barry Bates 296303

NORTHWOOD FLORAL ART GROUP

The next meeting will be **Monday 27th January 2020 at 7.30pm**,
Northwood Village Hall.
Fantastic Foliage—Petite
Tea/Coffee and Cake £1.00
Membership is £18.00 per year
Visitors & New Members are always Welcome
Please contact **Sally Martin** on 01983 295416



Trinity Theatre Cowes

. Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp
1st, 6th, 7th, 8th December at Trinity Theatre, Cowes.
Tickets: Adults £8, Children £5,
Family £22 (2 adults and 2 children)

Coffee Morning—Saturday 4th January 10am

Quiz Night—Saturday 18th January 7:30pm

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NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next meeting will be Thursday 5th December at 2pm in the Village Hall.

Christmas Lunch—TBA

HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING

To hire the Hall please contact Karen Fuller karenfuller@hotmail.co.uk
or 07704487310

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next meeting will be Monday 9th December at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

A Christmas Evening

Competition: A Candle Decoration

Refreshments: Festive American Supper

Monday January 13th at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Guest speaker: Pam Clements

Topic: Ability Dogs Demonstration

Competition: A Dog Ornament, Garden bloom & Sales Table

Refreshments: Tea & Biscuits (Rosemary & Jill Fry)

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

1st NORTHWOOD SCOUT GROUP - SCOUT H.Q. Wyatts Lane

Beavers Thursday 5.45pm to 7.00pm

Scouts Monday 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Cubs Friday 6.45pm to 8.15pm

For more information contact Dave Searle, General Scout Leader, 07503 373106

firstnorthwoodscoutgroup@hotmail.com

CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is Wednesday 11th December at 2:30pm in the Isle of Wight Community Club, Park Road, Cowes

Christmas Lunch—Time TBA

For membership details contact Joy Ash, **01983 298731.**

or visit the **CREEA** webpage in the **Local Groups** section of the village website where you can also download a copy of our 2019 Programme and view photos of past events.

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LOCAL GROUPS