

VILLAGE VOICE

BRINKLEY..BURROUGH GREEN..CARLTON..
WESTLEY WATERLESS



DECEMBER 2017

BURROUGH GREEN CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

SWITCH ON

WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

3.30pm - 5.30pm

BBQ

Mulled Wine & Mince Pies

Face Painting

Meet Elsa & Anna

Raffle & Prizes

Christmas Carols

Christmas Lights Switch On

By Father Christmas himself.

And lots, lots more. Fun for all the family.

All funds raised will support Burrough Green School & Playgroup



BURROUGH GREEN CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2017

READING ROOM 10.30 - 16.00



There will be light lunch snacks, cakes, pastries, teas and coffee at very reasonable prices!!

A great place to get high quality home crafted, unique, Christmas gifts and enjoy a chat and some lunch or afternoon tea, or just a cup of tea with your friends and neighbours.....See you there?

WANTED

Would anyone like a friendly little companion with them when they go for a walk?

Due to my temporary inability to walk, my Westie is missing out and would love to find someone to take him with them.

If you think you can help, please call Jo on 0780 8077545 (Brinkley)

SCRABBLE and MAHJONG

We meet in December on Monday 11th at 7.30pm in the Community Room at Sheriff's Court. Do come and join us in a game. £2 includes refreshments.

Trish 01638 507495

AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS SONGS

A warm welcome is extended to all villagers to come join us for an informal evening of Christmas singing on WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER

From 6.30pm

at Brinkley Memorial Hall.



Accompaniment and words provided along with a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie for £3 entry.

Children free.

There will be a Christmas Raffle and a lucky dip for the children.

We would love to see as many of you there as possible.



ADVENT SLEEPOUT CHALLENGE

We're supporting the work that Church Urban Fund are doing to help homeless people this Christmas, so we've decided to take part in the Advent Sleepout Challenge. We'll be having a sleepover in Carlton Church on December 15th with some brave chums. Please help us help the homeless this Christmas by giving whatever you can using the 'Give Now' button on our donations page. Thank you in advance for your generosity, it means a lot!

<https://sleepoutchallenge2017.everydayhero.com/uk/tracey>

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### CHRISTMAS TREES

DIRECT FROM THE GROWER

AVAILABLE WEEKENDS

9/10<sup>th</sup> & 16/17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

9.00am - 4pm

From R. D. JAGGARD

Charter House, Burrough Green

TEL; 01638 507330



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NEWMARKET
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For Christmas

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**NEWMARKET FOOD BANK**

Brinkley Church has offered to help in the collection of items for Newmarket Food Bank. There is a box in the church porch in which items can be left. This will be collected on a regular basis.



If you would like to make a donation, the most needed items seem to be canned fish, canned meat and canned vegetables, Fray Bentos steak pies(tinned), hot dogs (tinned), curries, both boxed and tinned, packets of pasta and rice, tinned fruit, custard, rice pudding, tinned steamed puddings etc. Anything that the users can make a meal out of. The Food Bank tend to have a glut of tinned baked beans and soups. Toiletries and disposable nappies are also useful.

Any queries, please ring the co-ordinator Alix Allan on 01638 508268 who will collect the food and take it to the Food Bank.

As Christmas approaches, some treats are also appreciated, such as mince pies in boxes, Christmas puddings, cakes and sweets and chocolates.

Brinkley PCC

**THE BURROUGH GREEN BOOK CLUB**



Our next event will be on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7:30pm in The Bull pub. Delicious fish and chips on offer, whilst enjoying a discussion about the book. No need to have read it just come and join us for a drink. Very casual. The book we will be discussing is 'You don't know me' by Imran Mahmood, which is a court transcript from a case from July 2017 where a young Londoner is on trial for murder and the morning of his closing speech he fires his lawyer and decides to plead his case personally. You decide whether he did it. This was a recent BBC Radio 2 Book Club book and has got a lot of people talking.

*I would like to wish all my family, friends and neighbours*



*A Very Happy Christmas*

*With best wishes from*

*Margaret Culpin.*



Instead of sending cards this year I am making a donation to Brinkley Church and the Memorial Hall.

**RECYCLING**

Carlton - **MONDAYS** : Black bin - 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> December.  
Blue/Green - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December.  
Blue **WEDNESDAY** 27<sup>th</sup> December.

Brinkley, Burrough Green, Westley Waterless - : Black sacks weekly - **Thursdays** 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup>. then **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>** December.

Blue Lid - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> & **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>** December.  
Green Lid - 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> December.

**Ink Cartridges** The Opportunity Group which meets at the Ellesmere Centre would be very grateful for your old ink cartridges to help with fund raising. Please drop them in the box on the gate at White Hart Cottage, High Street Brinkley or in the box at the Ellesmere Centre. Thank you.

(The Opportunity Group provides one to one care for children with special needs and their siblings, also provides respite for their parents/guardians.)

**ELLESMERE GARDEN CLUB**

By now all those planning to go to the Christmas party will have made their choices for our meal at Quy Mill. The committee decided to try out having a meal out one year, and in the Ellesmere Centre the next. You can let us know after the event if you thought it was a success!

Our next meeting is in the New Year, so mark **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January** in your diaries, to come and hear Nigel Start talk about "The History of the English Garden." The following month sees our AGM on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February**, but don't worry, the business part of the evening is very short, and after that we will be treated to a talk on "**Getting the most out of your roses**" from Ian Limmer. Just right to help us look forward to a new growing season.

Our meetings start at 8pm in the Ellesmere Centre, and after the main event we have refreshments and raffle. Non-members are always welcome, and membership runs from February each year, so you can join or renew at the time of our AGM to get the best value from the club. For more information please contact Sandie on 01638 507542.

All of us on the committee look forward to seeing you at a meeting very soon, and offer everyone Season's Greetings.

**MOBILE LIBRARY**

The Mobile Library will be at BRINKLEY Memorial Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month between 3.00-4.00pm; **5<sup>th</sup> December**.



BURROUGH GREEN by the BUS STOP on **18<sup>th</sup> December** at 3.50 - 4.10pm **this month**.

## NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE

**Children's Classes** - we still have spaces on our children's classes for newcomers this term.



Football - Monday.

Table Tennis, Gymnastics - Tuesday.

Dodgeball, Street Dance - Wednesday.

Thursday - Judo, Tennis by arrangement.

For information on all classes please visit our website or call the office.

**MUGA** - we currently have two free evening slots on our 5-a-side Astro pitch. If you are interested in booking these please give us a call.

**Pop-Up Coffee Mornings** - if you would like to hold a coffee morning for a charity of your choice on Friday mornings in the Gredley Room please give us a call. There will be a small charge of £20 towards the Centre and we will help publicise your event.

**POP UP COFFEE MORNING**  
at the Ellesmere Centre, Stetchworth  
Supporting C3 children's ward at  
Addenbrookes Hospital.

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
9.30am-12.30pm  
Cake Stall & Raffle



### **STAFF VACANCY AT THE ELLESMERE CENTRE**

To cover the office for 4 hours a week over two evenings from 3.30-5.30pm. plus one weekend a month

(this will be mainly phone cover from home).

Will also need to be available to cover for staff holidays.

Please apply in writing to the address below.



The Staff and Trustees of the Ellesmere Centre would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Ellesmere Centre, Stetchworth, CB8 9TS.

[www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk](http://www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk)

Tel 01638 508212.

Email [office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk](mailto:office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk).

### WESTON COLVILLE CINEMA CLUB

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, it'll be a Judy Garland film with a Christmas scene, and on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January we're showing a tale of farmers in Provence that will hopefully delight you. For details, see posters at the Reading Room or look on the Reading Room website. Alternatively, email as below to subscribe to our mailing list. 7.30pm, donations, pre-screening talk.

Enquiries for all events:

[jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com](mailto:jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com) 01223 291475

[www.thereadingroom.org.uk](http://www.thereadingroom.org.uk)

### WESTON COLVILLE CIRCULAR WALK

We're next heading out on New Year's Day at the customary later time of 11am. c5 miles. Meet at the Reading Room, BYO lunch, & maybe something to share.

### WESTON COLVILLE HISTORY EXHIBITION

The exhibition will be on for a week: Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2-5pm. Donations, under 18s and over 60s free. All ages welcome and there will be a trail for children.

All Weston Colville events in the Reading Room and refreshments will be available. All are welcome

### THE PETER & RUTH LLOYD TRUST AWARD

We are pleased to advise that this year the Trust presented two awards.

The successful applicants were:

Isabelle Passmore of West Wrating, who has gone off to read History at Exeter university, and

Simon Beale from West Wrating, who is studying Computer Science at Warwick University.

Congratulations to them both and we wish them every success in the future. They both received their cheques for £800 in front of the war memorial stone at RAF Wrating Common, from trustees Colin McCall, Simon Keen & Jonathan Drury. Ten young people from our villages have now been helped by the Trust. Many have now achieved their degrees and have embarked on successful careers. It is always very pleasing to hear how they are progressing and how they value the help the Peter & Ruth Lloyd trust provided.

We are now inviting applications for pupils starting university in September 2018. Normally one scholarship is awarded each year and the amount is approximately £800. Broadly speaking the degree course should be from one of the following: -

Architecture, Engineering, Geography, History, Law, Mathematics, Sciences, Medicine and Veterinary Medicine.

The applicant should be living in one of the parishes bordering the old RAF Wrating Common airfield - Great Thurlow, Little Thurlow, West Wickham, Carlton cum Willingham, West Wrating, Weston Colville and Withersfield.

The award is intended to be of assistance in the purchase of books, materials, equipment etc.

Final decision and award will be made immediately after 'A' Level/Baccalaureate results and University offer are known.

For further information about the trust and award please contact:

Jonathan Drury 01223 290968

For an application form please apply via email to:

[peter.ruthlloydtrust@sky.com](mailto:peter.ruthlloydtrust@sky.com)

The application form and supporting documents must be received at the latest by 31st March 2018.

## **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL**

Thank you very much to everybody who contributed to the Poppy Appeal this year, and a special thank you to those who did the House-to-House collecting in Brinkley, Carlton and Willingham Green.

Everybody's giving raised £388.71. House-to-House collections are restricted and later than other sources, so many people already had their poppies, which explains the lower total this year.

*Peter Tarry, Poppy Appeal Organiser.*

## **ELY'S CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY WALKS**

Take an Ely amble and burn off that Christmas dinner on one of our Historic City of Ely Walks.

Dates available include:

Boxing Day Tuesday 26 December

Wednesday 27 December

Saturday 30 December

Sunday 31 December

New Years Day Monday 1 January

All walks commence from Oliver Cromwell's House at 11.30 am. All tickets £5.00 can be booked at [www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk](http://www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk)

## **IT'S ALL GOING ON "BEHIND CLOSED DOORS..."**

Christmas and Oliver Cromwell are two things that are oddly closely associated. It has become a point of universal knowledge that Oliver Cromwell, Killer of a King, banned Christmas during his reign as Lord Protector.

Oliver Cromwell's House, Ely are pleased to be hosting a series of different events, from guided tours to festive food tastings with an Audience with a Cromwellian Expert and our fun Christmas Trail throughout Cromwell's House.

### **Behind Closed Doors - "What would Oliver Cromwell say?"**

Running from Early November 2017 until the end of December 2017 and included in normal Admission prices.

Take a walk through a snapshot of 17<sup>th</sup> Century English Life and see the sympathetically recreated rooms that Oliver Cromwell and his family would have known. See the Christmas tree in the Parlour and the.... Wait! A Christmas tree? But they came around during the Victorian age... What is going on? Some very strange items have been appearing throughout the house. Can you find them all and discover the story behind each one? Maybe you'll even hear what members of the Cromwell family think!

### **Behind Closed Doors - Festive Food with Nora Gardner**

**6th December 2017 at 10am**

Although Christmas was banned during the Commonwealth, many people still celebrated in secret. Join Nora Gardner, local guide and historian to learn

about flavours and ingredients that inspired the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Christmas.

Visit Mrs Cromwell's original kitchen; watch old recipes come to life, listen to the stories behind them and of course taste the results.

Tickets £15.00 can be booked at [www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk](http://www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk)

### **Behind Closed Doors - "Cromwell, Christmas and Confusion - an Audience with Professor Martyn Bennett**

**14th December 2017 - 7pm**

Oliver Cromwell's House presents "Cromwell, Christmas and Confusion - an Audience with Professor Martyn Bennett" - part of the "Behind Closed Doors" Christmas Events Programme.

Was Cromwell the mean-spirited man of modern myth? Did he really oppose the consumption of mince pies? Join us for an engaging, exciting and entertaining evening.

Professor Bennett has written a series of internationally acclaimed works on the English civil wars and a hugely popular biography of Oliver Cromwell. We have been incredibly fortunate to secure this time with Professor Bennett in-between American and UK filming commitments. His latest publication, Cromwell at War will be available to purchase on the night.

Tickets £10.00 can be booked at [www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk](http://www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk)

### **Behind Closed Doors - "A Cruel and Creepy Christmas" with Prof A Bismal**

**21st and 22nd December 2017 - 11.30am**

The nights have drawn in, the frosty mornings are upon us and Oliver Cromwell's House have decided to bring Professor Arthur Bismal in from the cold!

Christmas is his favourite time of year and he has spent many moons pondering its origins, from where we get Chocolate Christmas logs from, via Christmas Dinner during the times of George IV (Georgie Porgy of Nursery Rhyme fame!) with a quick stop in the Trenches of the First World War before hearing about what'll happen to naughty children (No, it's not a lump of coal!) and finishing in traditional style with a Spooky Story just like your Great Great Great Granny would have heard on Christmas Eve when Queen Victoria was still reigning.

As always, The Professor's tours are suitable for Children aged 4 to 104 but young people must be accompanied by an Adult.

Tickets £7.00 per adult, £5.00 per child can be booked at [www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk](http://www.olivercromwellshouse.org.uk)

ARTICLES FOR JANUARY 2018

VILLAGE VOICE To

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by 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017 please

**DECEMBER BULLETIN FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**

IT is the time of year when we're enjoying a tippie with friends, cooking up festive feasts for the family and entertaining loved ones. With all the fun to be had it is easy to be distracted when cooking in the kitchen. 50 per cent of all fires in the home start in the kitchen and more than half of those are as a result of distraction whilst cooking.

We want to help ensure your festive cheer doesn't go up in smoke this Christmas by sharing our tips below for safe cooking over the festive season:

- Never leave cooking unattended
- Do not cook when tired
- Do not cook when under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication that makes you drowsy
- Regularly clean the grill pan and oven. Built up fat can easily catch fire
- Never leave anything cooking if you leave the house
- Do not leave anything flammable on or near the hob - tea towels, oven gloves and even washing baskets can catch fire
- Take care when using microwaves. Fires can start when people put food in too long. Always read the instructions on the packet - never guess the time needed
- Oven chips or temperature control deep fat fryers are safer than using a chip pan. If you do use a chip pan, do not fill it more than one third with fat and turn the heat down if the oil starts smoking
- Fire can break out in household appliances, so you should regularly maintain dishwashers, washing machines and driers and never leave them on if you go out or when you go to bed
- Have a working smoke alarm on each floor of your home. If it keeps going off when you are cooking it is probably in the wrong location or you may have the wrong type of smoke alarm
- Never take the batteries out of your smoke alarm.

If you do have a fire in the house, get out, stay out and dial 999.

For more information, or to get in touch, contact us at [firefire@cambsfire.gov.uk](mailto:firefire@cambsfire.gov.uk) or on 0800 9179994.

For more information log on to [www.cambsfire.gov.uk](http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk), follow us on social media or call 01480 444500.

**VILLAGE WEBSITES**

[www.burroughgreen.com](http://www.burroughgreen.com)

<http://www.parish-council.com/Brinkley/>

[www.carlton-cambridgeshire.org.uk](http://www.carlton-cambridgeshire.org.uk)

Do have a look at the websites which contain lots of information about the villages and the school and have links to archive material. The Village Voice newsletter is available on Burrough Green & Brinkley sites for the current month and several previous issues.

**MARSH MAIL - News from Linton Village College**

Supporting children to grow up healthy and well is a key priority for schools and parents; good mental health is a crucial part of young people's wellbeing. Mental health, like physical health, is on a continuum; it is not a binary state.

Studies by organisations such as Young Minds reveal that mental health issues are a particular concern for young people: 1 in 10 children have a diagnosable mental health disorder (that's roughly 3 children in every classroom); almost 1 in 4 children and young people show some evidence of mental ill health (including anxiety and depression) and half of all mental health problems manifest by age 14.

These conditions have a significant impact on children's ability to lead a happy and successful life; the consequences of poor mental health can have lasting damage. And yet there is a chronic shortage of access to specialist support: waiting times of over 6 months for a referral are standard.

At LVC we have witnessed a growing number of mental health issues. We recognise that these can be triggered by personal circumstance or as a result of trauma, or due to stress experienced by a need to feel accepted and successful.

We have introduced Mental Health Champions at LVC who have benefited from specialist mental health training from Educational Psychologists and CAMH. We have also raised awareness and de-stigmatised mental health across the College, using the #oktosay initiative, to be able to identify concerns and sign-post early support. We have also developed our PSHE programme to include educating young people about mental health.

Nevertheless, our ability to respond stops at first aid, as with other medical conditions: we are first and foremost educators, not expert clinicians.

The government's green paper on children's mental health is due to be published by the end of the year. It is anticipated to tackle internet safety and the impact of social media. While we welcome this emphasis on e-safety and a preventative focus, there also needs to be a commitment to providing the necessary resources for schools and parents to support children's welfare and good health.

*Helena Marsh Executive Principal*

**BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL**

If you wish to hire the hall, please contact  
Susie Shuter on 01638 508729

The charges to hire the Memorial Hall are £8.00 per hour for VV cluster and £11.00/ hour for outside. We cater for one off parties and Groups looking for a venue. The Hall can cater for 80 people.



**END OF YEAR UPDATE FROM LUCY FRAZER MP**

I wanted to take the opportunity to wish all my constituents a very merry Christmas and a happy new year to come. 2017 has flown by with so much to do and an unexpected election on top! I have been pursuing with vigour the roll out of superfast broadband across the constituency regularly meeting and speaking with all involved pressing for more, quicker! I am also pursuing a campaign to get South East Cambridgeshire selected as a testbed for the trialling of the next generation of digital infrastructure through industrial 5G pilots.

As most of you will know by now, education is a passion of mine and I am relentless in my efforts to pursue fairer funding for our schools. I take every opportunity to engage with both schools and the Secretary of State for Education to ensure our requirements are front of mind. I welcome the recent announcement of £3.1 million more for our constituency and I will continue on this mission to pursue funding wherever it is available.

Other projects I am involved with around education include encouraging businesses to work hand in hand with schools with specific reference to STEM subjects and building pathways to future careers in local businesses. I am also driving a project to reduce the costs of teacher recruitment through an online government website.

Infrastructure projects occupy a lot of my time, fighting for necessary funding and maintaining a presence where projects are underway to ensure where possible they remain on schedule and on budget. The start of works on the Ely Southern Bypass in March was the culmination of a great deal of work and lobbying by a great many people including myself and I'm delighted work is now underway. I am very much behind the Greenways initiative to introduce more cycle and multi-purpose routes into Cambridge.

I enjoy every opportunity I have to meet constituents from all walks of life and am always happy to welcome groups and individuals to Westminster as well as visit local groups. I was delighted to open this year's Burrough Green Church Fete and the Brinkley Summer Fete. I really enjoyed the time I spent with pupils and staff at Burrough Green Primary School in July.



I never like to pass up the chance to exchange views and hear any issues constituents may have. All across the constituency, over recent weeks, our senior school pupils have been busy debating. This year marks the 4th inter schools debating competition since I became a Parliamentary Candidate and first initiated the idea. The final sees 14 students debating in the House of Commons. I am so grateful for all the support I receive from constituents young and old and

I look forward to working as hard as I can on your behalf in the coming year.

To keep up with what Lucy is doing on a more regular basis, you can sign up for her newsletter at [www.lucyfrazer.org.uk](http://www.lucyfrazer.org.uk) and / or follow her on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/FrazerLucy](http://www.facebook.com/FrazerLucy)



**THE BULL BURROUGH GREEN**



There are still some dates available if you're thinking of holding a Christmas Party. Three courses for £23.95.

We will be holding our Christmas Prize Draw on Christmas Eve from 6pm. Squares still available at 50p each.

Christmas Day 11am - 2pm Open for drinks  
Boxing Day 11am - 7pm Open for drinks  
New Years Eve 12noon - 3pm Serving food until 2pm.  
Normal lunch menu only

**New Years Eve Party. 6pm - 2am  
Music and Buffet all welcome**

New Year's Day 11am - 10pm  
Newmarket & District Car Club meeting at lunch time.

All other days are our usual opening times  
**We would like to wish all of our customers a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**  
**We look forward to welcoming you during the festive season.**

*Rob and Katrina*

**01638 508333**



**CANDLELIT SERVICE OF CAROLS AND READINGS**

**SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER AT 6pm  
ST AUGUSTINE'S, BURROUGH GREEN**

Do join us for this service of Carols and Readings by Candlelight.

All welcome to stay afterwards for mulled wine and mince pies.

Contact: Lucy Talbot 01638 507060  
[peterandlucyt@btinternet.com](mailto:peterandlucyt@btinternet.com)

**WHAT'S ON AT THE RED LION  
BRINKLEY**



The Christmas period brings changes to our usual monthly activities. There will be no steak night, quiz, family meal or ethnic food nights but there will be private parties and large groups in for Sunday lunch and dinners - making a reservation for dinner or Sunday lunch is especially recommended.

**We're changing our opening hours.**

**Food on Mondays - read on**

From December until at least the end of March we're going to try something different and see how it goes. Almost no-one locally provides food on a Monday evening, and there's a good reason for that, but we've been asked enough times now we thought we'd give this a shot. (We know we're tired of our eating out options being the Chinese or the chip shop on our days off.)

We're also going to try something we did in America and label **Monday night 'Industry Night.'** If you work in a bar or restaurant and bring evidence of your current employment such as a payslip, we'll discount your food bill by 50%. If you know people that work in a bar or restaurant please do them, and us, a favour, and mention this to them. And if having the option to eat out or get a takeaway locally on a Monday evening might appeal to you now and again, then please support us here and we'll maybe make it permanent.

**Our schedule from December through the end of March will be:**

- Monday - open at 6pm for dinner.
- Tuesday & Wednesday - closed.
- Thursday through Saturday - open for lunch and dinner.
- Sunday - open 10.30am for Sunday lunch / Sunday brunch until 4pm then for dinner until 8 p.m.

**Our Coffee Morning Xmas lunch is Wednesday Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:45am.** If you'd like to join us and haven't already booked then please call us ASAP.



**Christmas Eve** is a Sunday and we'll be open for Brunch between 11:30am and 4pm and then have a dinner menu until 9pm - a shorter menu of our most popular food items, and a very affordably priced '**build your own pasta dinner option**', where you pick your preferred pasta, sauce and protein.

**Christmas Day** we're open for drinks from 11am until 1pm and **Boxing Day Tuesday** we'll be open for brunch from 10:30am until 4pm.

**New Year's Eve** it's brunch/lunch then dinner until 8pm and **New Year's Day** it's a Sunday brunch/lunch menu.



If you'd like a 5L keg of Victoria bitter or Jolabrug from Earl Soham Brewery for your Christmas or New Year at home, please let us know by Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> and we'll have these ready for collection on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Put these dates in your new diary now!**

**January** - We will be closed from Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup> until Thursday January 18<sup>th</sup>.

Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January we'll open again with some closer to home ethnic food from Scotland and Ireland and we'll have our dinner menu available too.

If you've ever wondered how bad a deep-fried Mars Bar could be, come join us! We will not be open for lunch on either day. Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> will be brunch until 4pm then dinner until 8pm. Ethnic food nights in February will be the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> and feature some great Italian food.

Thursday January 25<sup>th</sup> - Quiz night at 7:30pm, please let us know if you're bringing a team.

Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> - Family meal, 5:00pm for 5:30pm. Please make a reservation for this.

As we roll into what will be our third Christmas here we'd like to thank everyone that has frequented the pub this year and wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year when the time comes.

*Gwyn & Morris.*

01638 508707

**BURROUGH GREEN READING ROOM.**

We are licensed to cater for 100 people and are available on various days of the week. The charges are £8.00 per hour for village and £10.00 for outside.

To hire the Reading Room, Please contact Joanne Harrison on 01638 508888

***BEAUTY AND THE BEAST***

**A BOLLYWOOD PANTOMIME**

**24<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2018**

**The Ellesmere Centre, Stetchworth**

Tickets now on sale online:  
[www.ticketsource.co.uk/edps](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/edps)

Box office dates at Ellesmere Centre:  
4<sup>th</sup> Nov, 25<sup>th</sup> Nov, & 6<sup>th</sup> Jan,  
10.30am-12noon



## Christmas Concert 2017

• Musical Director John Clenaghan •

Fantasia on Christmas Carols - Ralph Vaughan-Williams  
A Feast for Christmas - Alan Bullard  
Twelve Days of Christmas - Bob Chilcott  
& More...

— 7.30pm Saturday 16th December —

Holy Trinity Church, Balsham

Tickets £10 in advance / £12 (Door) - Available from  
Choir Members or Balsham/Great Abington Post Office

Under 16s Free Admission

Tickets also available from Ros Pates on  
01638 507240 (Brinkley)

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH STETCHWORTH CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December  
At 2.00 pm

Musical entertainment by Kettlefields School  
And the Kitchen Choir

Come and see the Christmas Trees that have been  
Decorated by Community Groups.

Refreshments available

Raffle and Christmas Goodies, Mulled Wine



Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018  
4.00 - 5.30 pm

MESSY EPIPHANY  
ALL WELCOME

Come and join us - have a go at various crafts  
(adults too!)

Refreshments available

Venue to be confirmed - look out for posters at  
schools etc.

Ring 01638 507576 for more details

## CATHOLIC SERVICES NEWMARKET & KIRTLING. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

## PARISH CAROL SERVICE:

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.00pm

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:

Children's mass 6pm, and Carol singing from  
11.30pm followed by **Midnight Mass**.

**Christmas Day Community Lunch** - Newmarket  
Catholic Church are once again hosting the Churches  
Together Annual Christmas Day Lunch this  
year. If you are on your own, housebound, or  
would just like to share in a friendly and welcoming  
lunch then we would love to see you. We have good  
food, gifts and a jolly sing song. All ages are  
welcome. Please book before Dec 17<sup>th</sup>.

Contact 07788 806308, 01638 662492 or  
email [xmaslunch@olise.co.uk](mailto:xmaslunch@olise.co.uk)

Our Lady with St. Etheldreda, Exeter Road,  
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## BALSHAM PICTURE HOUSE



Come and see newly released Box Office  
Hit Films. Membership: Family £24/yr;  
Individual £12/yr for 12 films.

Guest membership (£3 donation/film) so just come  
along and have a drink and nibbles before the film.

More details contact Nigel Clark at

[balshampicturehouse@gmail.com](mailto:balshampicturehouse@gmail.com)

Next Film Nights are Saturday Dec.2nd 2017 and  
Jan 6th 2018

December will be a special nostalgia evening with 2  
classic British films. Mulled wine, soft drinks and  
mince pies are on the house in the interval to celebrate  
the first 12 months of the Picture House.

**NOTE Doors open earlier at 6pm**

**The Third Man(PG) at 6.30pm.** Orson Welles and  
Trevor Howard in the intrigues of an atmospheric post  
WW2 Vienna. Followed by **Four Weddings and A  
Funeral (15) at 8.30pm.** Romantic comedy with Hugh  
Grant and stellar supporting cast.

January film will be the newly released **DUNKIRK  
(PG-13)** an epic story of the evacuation of Allied  
troops from the Dunkirk beaches in 1940

## THANK YOU

Many, many thanks to all those who deliver your  
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**DECEMBER SERVICES**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December First Sunday of Advent**  
9.00am Holy Communion Brinkley  
4.00pm Christingle Westley Waterless

Isaiah 64: 1-9 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13: 24-end

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December Second Sunday of Advent**  
9.00am Holy Communion Stetchworth  
10.30am Morning Prayer Dullingham  
6.00pm Carol Service Burrough Green

Isaiah 40: 1-11 2 Peter 3: 8-15a Mark 1: 1-8

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December Third Sunday of Advent**  
9.00am Hot Chocolate Communion Burrough Green  
10.30am Morning Prayer Brinkley

Isaiah 61: 1-4; 8-end 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24  
John 1:6-8; 19-28

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
9.00am Holy Communion Carlton  
4.00pm Carol Service Stetchworth  
6.00pm Carol Service Dullingham  
6.00pm Carol Service Stetchworth

2 Samuel 7:1-11;16; Luke1:26-38

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
11.30pm Midnight Mass Brinkley

Isaiah 52: 7-10; Hebrews 1:1-4 John 1.1-14

**MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
CHRISTMAS DAY**

9.00am Holy Communion Stetchworth  
10.30am Holy Communion Dullingham  
10.30am Family Service Burrough Green  
10.30am Family Service Carlton



Isaiah 52: 7-10 Hebrews 1:1-4 John 1.1-14

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December First Sunday of Christmas**  
10.30am Benefice Communion Westley Waterless

Isaiah 61: 10- end; 62:1-3 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:15-21

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**An Expectant Encounter**

Christmas is coming!

The glitz and the sparkle of Christmas can be so enchanting, so to the nativity and the extraordinary out-of-the-ordinary birth of Jesus. It hints at new possibilities of a world being turned upside down, of being expectant of finding the Christ child, of finding

God, of unexpectedly walking straight into the kingdom of heaven into that sacred space where the invisible barriers between heaven and earth are breached and we come away never quite the same again... during this festive season may you too find that space.

Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year,

Nikki

**BC: AD**

*This was the moment when Before  
Turned into After, and the future's  
Uninvented timekeepers presented arms.*

*This was the moment when nothing  
Happened. Only dull peace  
Sprawled boringly over the earth.*

*This was the moment when even energetic Romans  
Could find nothing better to do  
Than counting heads in remote provinces.*

*And this was the moment  
When a few farm workers and three  
Members of an obscure Persian sect  
Walked haphazard by starlight straight  
Into the kingdom of heaven.*

Ursula .A. Fanthorpe (born 1929)

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If you wish to book a baptism, wedding etc., please contact Nikki. Her usual working days will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday, of course, or one of the Churchwardens ; details as below.

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*Wishing everyone a  
Very Happy  
Christmas*

