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Happy New Year



the view over Pembroke taken from the tower roof by Anne Bunker, featured on cards being sold to raise funds for St Mary's tower bells.

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Some thoughts from Rev Joan

It is mid-December as I prepare to write this introduction to *The Bridge*, and I am conscious of the fact that when you read it, we will be entering a new calendar year. I have looked back at the January introductions for the past few years. In Jan 2020, Rev Peter wrote of the forthcoming inauguration of our Local Ministry Area, combining 8 churches into a wider parish of 15. In Jan 2021, he wrote about going into a new year knowing that we would still be in for a difficult time because of the covid pandemic. In Jan 2022, the focus was on the need for a time of healing in the church and for us particularly, on the Angle Peninsula with the departure from the Church in Wales of Rev Josh.

As we enter 2023, how much, I wonder, has changed? With the further departure of Rev Joel, our LMA has struggled to maintain a pattern of services and we are so very grateful to all who have enabled most of those services to continue. For how long the current situation can be sustained is a question which needs careful and serious consideration as we go forward. Covid is still very much with us, and as we continue to learn to live with it, we are conscious of the many people we have lost, and of those who are still fearful of the situation. Our churches on the Angle Peninsula demonstrate for us that healing is most effective when it comes from within, and how important it is to be part of the church family. Let us ask ourselves: to what extent have we encouraged and supported each other to move on, to look to the future with the joy and anticipation which should fill us all as disciples of Christ?

There is no doubt that 2023 will bring continued and further challenges. We have two vacancies to fill in the clergy team. The recent census data shows that for the first time less than half the population of England and Wales identify as Christian. It can feel daunting. Yet we should, and must, balance this with being a people of joy and hope. That is the essence of the Christian Gospel message. We do not need a New Year to offer us new hope. It has been granted to us in the greatest sacrifice possible, one which has enabled the healing of humankind. Let us keep our eyes firmly fixed on Christ, drawing our strength from Him. And let us encourage one another as we embrace the weeks and months ahead.

For all of us, may 2023 be filled with Christ's peace.

Rev Joan



**MONKTON RECTORIAL BENEFICE
SERVICES FOR THE WEEK
LEADING UP TO CHRISTMAS 2022**

Sunday 18th December

- 6.00pm Service of Carols and Lessons, SS Nicholas & John, Monkton
- 6.00pm Carol Service, SS James & Elidyr, Stackpole

Wednesday 21st December

- 6.00pm Lamphey School 9 Lessons and Carols,
SS Faith & Tyfei Lamphey
- 6.30pm Carol Service, St Mary's, Angle

Thursday, 22nd December

- 7.00pm Carol Service, St Michael, Bosherton

Friday 23rd December

- 10.00am Lamphey School Nativity, SS Faith & Tyfei Lamphey
- 7.00pm Carol Service, St David, Hundleton

Christmas Eve, Saturday 24th December

Celebrations of Holy Eucharist

- 4.00pm All Age Service, SS Faith & Tyfei, Lamphey
- 8.00pm SS Faith & Tyfei, Lamphey
- 8.00pm SS James & Elidyr, Stackpole
- 11.30pm SS Nicholas & John, Monkton
- 11.30pm St Mary, Pembroke

The Nativity of Our Lord, Christmas Day

- 9.15am Holy Communion, St Mary's, Angle
- 10.00am Joint Holy Communion, SS Nicholas & John, Monkton
- 10.30am Holy Communion St David's. Hundleton

JANUARY SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 1st January (The Naming of Jesus)

10:00am	Joint Holy Communion (JA)	SS Faith & Tyfei, Lamphey
10:00am	Joint Holy Communion Christingle Service (PJ)	St Gwynog's, St. Twynnells

Sunday 8th January (The Baptism of Christ)

9.15am	Holy Communion (PJ)	St Mary's, Angle
9.30am	Morning Prayer (JC)	SS Nicholas & John, Monkton
9.30am	Holy Communion (JA)	St Mary's, Pembroke
11.00am	Morning Prayer (GG)	SS Faith & Tyfei, Lamphey
11:15am	Holy Communion (PJ)	St David, Hundleton

Sunday 15th January (Second Sunday of Epiphany)

9.15am	Morning Prayer (KW)	St Mary's, Angle
9.30am	Holy Communion (JA)	SS Nicholas & John, Monkton
9.30am	All Age Christingle Service (PJ)	St Mary's, Pembroke
11:00am	Morning Prayer (MM & VT)	SS Faith & Tyfei, Lamphey
11.15am	Holy Communion (C L-J)	Ss James & Elidyr, Stackpole

Sunday 22nd January (Third Sunday of Epiphany)

9.15am	Morning Prayer (KW)	St Mary's, Angle
9.30am	Morning Prayer (PJ)	SS Nicholas & John, Monkton
9.30am	Holy Communion (JA)	St Mary's, Pembroke
11:00am	Holy Communion (PJ)	SS Faith & Tyfei, Lamphey
11.15am	Morning Prayer (KW)	St David, Hundleton
11.15am	Holy Communion (C L-J)	St Michael's, Bosherton

Sunday 29th January (Fourth Sunday of Epiphany)

10.00am	Joint Holy Communion (C L-J)	St Mary's, Angle
10.00am	Joint Holy Communion (PJ/ JA)	St Mary's, Pembroke

PJ - Revd Peter Jones
CH - Chris Hirst
GG - Revd Geoffrey Gwyther
C L-J - Revd Chris Lewis-Jenkins
MM—Margaret Morgan

JA - Revd Joan Allen
KW - Keith Wheeler
BC - Revd Bob Capper
JS - Jeremy Stone
VT—Vicky Tomlinson



The Lectionary Readings for the next month for your Daily Office

Sunday 1st January Naming of Jesus (White)

Numbers 6.22-27 Psalm 8 Galatians 4.4-7 Luke 2.15-21

Monday 2nd January

Psalm 18.1-30; Isaiah 60.1 - 12
John 1.35 - 42

Tuesday 3rd January

Psalm 127; Isaiah 60.13 - end
John 1.43 - end

Wednesday 4th January

Psalm 89.1 - 37; Isaiah 61
John 2.1 - 12

Thursday 5th January

Psalm 48; Isaiah 62
John 2.13-end

Friday 6th January

(The Epiphany of Our Lord)

Psalm 113; Jeremiah 31.7 - 14
John 1.29 - 34

Saturday 7th January

Psalm 99; Isaiah 63. 7 - end
1 John 3

Sunday 8th January The Baptism of Christ , Epiphany I (White)

Isaiah 42.1-9 Psalm 29 Acts 10.34-43 Matthew 3.13-17

Monday 9th January

Psalm 2; Amos 1
1 Corinthians 1.1 - 17

Tuesday 10th January

Psalm 9; Amos 2
1 Corinthians 1.18 - end

Wednesday 11th January

Psalm 20; Amos 3
1 Corinthians 2

Thursday 12th January

Psalm 21; Amos 4
1 Corinthians 3

Friday 13th January

Psalm 67; Amos 5.1 - 17
1 Corinthians 4

Saturday 14th January

Psalm 33; Amos 5.18 - end
1 Corinthians 5

Sunday 15th January Epiphany II (White)

Isaiah 49.1-7 Psalm 40.1-11 1 Corinthians 1.1-9 John 1.29-42

Monday 16th January

Psalm 146; Amos 6
1 Corinthians 6.1 - 11

Tuesday 17th January

Psalm 132; Amos 7
1 Corinthians 6.12 - end

Wednesday 18th January

Psalm 81 ; Amos 8
1 Corinthians 7.1 - 24

Thursday 19th January

Psalm 76; Amos 9
1 Corinthians 7.25 - end

Friday 20th January

Psalm 27; Hosea 1.1 - 2.1
1 Corinthians 8

Saturday 21st January

Psalm 122; Hosea 2.2 - 17
1 Corinthians 9.1 - 14

Sunday 22nd Epiphany III (White)

Isaiah 9.1-4 Psalm 27.1-9 1 Corinthians 1.10-18 Matthew 4.12-23

Monday 23rd January

Psalm 108; Hosea 2.18 - end of 3
1 Corinthians 9.15 - end

Tuesday 24th January

Psalm 36; Hosea 4.1 - 16
1 Corinthians 10.1 - 13

Wednesday 25th January

(Conversion of Paul, Apostle)
Psalm 66 ; Ezekiel 3.22 - 27
Philippians 3.1 - 14

Thursday 26th January

Psalm 47; Hosea 5 - 6.6
1 Corinthians 10.14 - 11.16

Friday 27th January

Psalm 65; Hosea 6.7 - 7.2
1 Corinthians 11.17 - end

Saturday 28th January

Psalm 68; Hosea 8
1 Corinthians 12.1 - 11

Sunday 29th January Epiphany IV (White)

1 Kings 17.8-16 Psalm 36.5-10 1 Corinthians 1.18-31 John 2.1-11

Monday 30th January

Psalm 57; Hosea 9
1 Corinthians 12.12 - end

Tuesday 31st January

Psalm 93; Hosea 10
1 Corinthians 13

Wednesday 1st February

Psalm 95 ; Hosea 10
1 Corinthians 14.1 - 19

Thursday 2nd February

(The Presentation of Christ)
Psalm 24; Malachi 3.1 - 5
Luke 2.22-40

Friday 3rd February

Psalm 19; Hosea 11.12 - 13.14
1 Corinthians 14.20 - 16.9

Saturday 4th February

Psalm 23; Hosea 14
1 Corinthians 16.10 - end

JANUARY DIARY

- Tues 3rd 10 -11.30am Coffee, Cake and Chat, Monkton Church Hall
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice, St. Mary's Pembroke
- Wed 4th 10.00am Midweek H.C. service: St Mary's Pembroke
- Fri 6th THE EPIPHANY of our LORD
- Tues 10th 10 -11.30am Coffee, Cake and Chat, Monkton Church Hall
12.15 - School Lunchtime Club at Monkton School
12.45 pm
3.30 - 5pm After School Club in the Church Hall.
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice St. Mary's Pembroke
- Wed 11th 10.00am Midweek H.C. service: St Mary's Pembroke
3.00pm Ashdale Care Home Holy Communion Service
7.30pm Monkton Vicarage Prayer Meeting - *see page 13 for details*
- Fri 13th 10 -11.30am Parents & Toddlers, Monkton Church Hall
- Mon 16th 11-12 Noon Prayer for Pembroke: Town Hall Chambers
7:30pm Discipleship Explored - *see page 12 for details*
- Tues 17th 10 -11.30am Coffee, Cake and Chat, Monkton Church Hall
12.15 - School Lunchtime Club at Monkton School
12.45 pm
3.30 - 5pm After School Club in the Church Hall.
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice St. Mary's Pembroke
- Wed 18th 10.00am Midweek H.C. service: St Mary's Pembroke
2.00pm SWP LMA ministers meeting
7.30pm Monkton Vicarage Bible Study - *see opposite for details*
- Fri 9th 10 -11.30am Parents & Toddlers, Monkton Church Hall
- Mon 23rd 1.30pm St. Mary's Pembroke Committee meeting
7:30pm Discipleship Explored - *see opposite for details*
- Tues 24th 10 -11.30am Coffee, Cake and Chat, Monkton Church Hall
12.15 - School Lunchtime Club at Monkton School
12.45 pm
3.30 - 5pm After School Club in the Church Hall.
7.00pm Lamphey Church Committee Meeting
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice St. Mary's Pembroke

JANUARY DIARY continued

- Wed 25th 10.00am Midweek H.C. service: St Mary's Pembroke
 7.30pm Monkton Vicarage Bible Study - *see page 12 for details*
- Fri 27th 6.00pm *Monkton* Committee Meeting
- Mon 30th 7:30pm Discipleship Explored - *see below for details*
- Tues 31st 10 -11.30am Coffee, Cake and Chat, Monkton Church Hall
 12.15 - School Lunchtime Club at Monkton School
 12.45 pm
 3.30 - 5pm After School Club in the Church Hall.
 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice St. Mary's Pembroke



WHAT'S THE BEST LOVE YOU'VE EVER KNOWN?

Monday evenings - 7.30pm from 16th January - 13th February

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A TRIBUTE TO PHIL ROGERS

Due to failing health Phil is moving to a residential home near his son in Swansea. Our church without Phil is like losing a greatly valued item that cannot be replaced. From a young lad he has attended St Mary's and he soon progressed to become a chorister – a role he held for over 80 years.

Of course, Phil's great love was tower bell ringing and he was a master of this ancient art. Phil taught the skill of campanology to many over the years and was a driving force in entering many competitions and winning in the St David's Dioceses and further afield. Upon retiring from tower bell ringing he joined Val Randal's band of hand bell ringers and was greatly valued as a member of the group.

However, Phil's greatest attribute is being the lovely person who is, always very positive and happy, and of course always supporting the church in all possible ways.

I consider myself so lucky to have known Phil all my life and have loved his fellowship, like many others in the St Mary's Church community.

We are sending our love Phil and hope you will soon settle into your new abode. We hope Phil you will find other residents who, like yourself, enjoy a game of bridge!

Thank you Phil for your great dedication to St Mary's.

God's blessings to you.

Marcia and all at St Mary's



Lamphey Mothers Union

We hosted our Deanery Advent and Carol Service on 26th December, held in Lamphey church. Rev Peter Jones led our service and Mrs Margaret Phillips played the organ. We enjoyed singing the Advent hymns and hearing the well-loved bible passages.

Afterwards we welcomed our friends and fellow M.U. members to enjoy afternoon tea, fellowship, chat and laughter.

Our branch Christmas meeting was held on 7th December on our church hall. Mrs Freda Griffiths, our branch leader, led us in prayer and then Mrs Margaret Phillips took over at the piano! We sang favourite carols, interspersed with some beautiful and also thought provoking readings chosen and read by Judith Colley, Margaret Phillips, Vicky Tomlinson, Caroline Llewellyn and Cynthia Edwards. Mrs Margaret Morgan closed the service with prayer.

We then enjoyed another sumptuous feast of sweet and savoury goodies – oh dear it does sound as though we rather enjoy our food at Lamphey M.U.!!

Audrey Rogers

Bible studies and Prayer Meeting: Monkton Vicarage Group

Bible Study Meetings will held on Wednesdays
18th and 25th January

The Monkton Prayer meeting on Wednesday, 11th January

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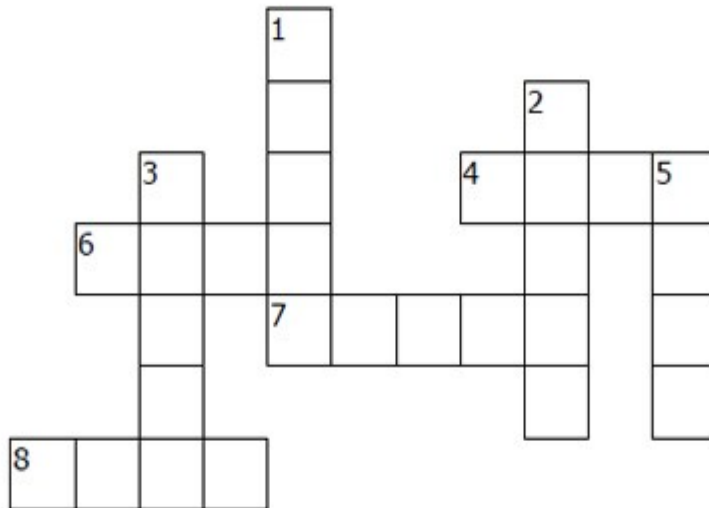
Something for the Juniors!

Plugged In and Turned On

"You are the light of the world." Matthew 5:14 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 5:14-16 (NIV)

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

4. A dish that is used for holding fruit or liquids or for serving food
6. An elevated area of land smaller than a mountain
7. The performance of good acts
8. A large urban area where many people live

DOWN

1. All of the living human inhabitants of the earth
2. A place where families live
3. Any device serving as a source of illumination
5. A piece of furniture holding one or more electric light bulbs

DEEDS
BOWL

HILL
CITY

LIGHT
LAMP

WORLD
HOUSE

wordsearch



X V F O K U L Y B D S M M O I
M J M B Y D T G Y Q E S X Z A
M Z V M L I E O S L R E L Z R
L P A R C S N O L H L P D I O
I Z V K I C Y D F W I H B S I
G L D A A V S F L Y P N B R F
H B R D K N A W O R L D E Z B
T P I O O H I D D E N E R H L
B C V B O W L T M B S K V C A
O N H P U L A M P U O S X U C
T Y F I J T X R O F P L C V J
P R J D L J I H A Y B C F W R
E I Q L X L E F A T H E R E V
C F M E N S N M U V Z W O B A
X I L R M D R J L I S T A N D

LAMP
WORLD
PRAISE

LIGHT
CITY
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MEN
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GOOD
HIDDEN
HILL

DEEDS
SHINE
STAND

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More Delights from Audrey

“Yma y Hyd – We’re still here”

Over the last few weeks we cannot have escaped ‘football fever’ and have all been wishing the team well. Sadly our hopes have been dashed but we can be proud of our team and that the world became aware of Welsh language and culture. Dafydd Ivan, the singer and song writer is a Christian (and actually a lay preacher) so I wonder if he thinks, as I do, how apposite the words are to us as Christians. After all that’s been thrown at us over the centuries the Christian church is still here and worldwide still growing! Thanks be to God!!

Still not a lot of garden bird excitement, although my gold finches have come back in large flocks – do they not know there is a war in Ukraine (where most sunflowers are grown) and the price of sunflower seeds has gone through the roof!! I went to the annual Pembrokeshire Bird Conference recently – not a happy experience – declines in most species plus the horrors of bird flu now! However my elder son is visiting me and we’ve been out and about and have seen waders and ducks at Angle, and I’m looking forward to a day at the Wildfowl and Wetland reserve at Llanelli, hoping to see lots of winter visitors.

It is Advent Sunday as I write, time to prepare spiritually as well as practically for Christmas.

I am looking forward to spending Christmas on the Isle of Wight - a rather bigger island than most I have frequently visited! Myself, my son, daughter-in-law and Minke dog are sharing Christmas with Claire’s widowed aunt (even more ancient than me!!).



My previous Isle of Wight visit was of 2 hours duration 50 years ago! My eldest son, Martyn, was an Esso cadet at the Southampton College of Marine Engineering and our family were camping in the New Forest to visit him. It was my younger son Stewart’s birthday and as a treat he wanted to travel on the Hovercraft to the island. So that was what we did and had a 2 hour stay on the island before getting the Hovercraft back! I hope to see more of the island this time!

So best wishes to all for a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year!

Audrey Rogers



A Prayer for the New Year

Grant me the strength from day to day
To bear what burdens come my way.
Grant me throughout this bright New Year
More to endure and less to fear.
Help me to live that I may be
From spite and petty malice free.
Let me not bitterly complain
When cherished hopes of mine prove vain,
Or spoil with deeds of hate and rage
Some fair tomorrow's spotless page.
Lord, as the days shall come and go
In courage let me stronger grow.

Lord, as the New Year dawns today
Help me to put my faults away.
Let me be big in little things;
Grant me the joy which friendship brings.
Keep me from selfishness and spite;
Let me be wise in what is right.
A happy New Year! Grant that I
May bring no tear to any eye.
When this New Year in time shall end
Let it be said I've played the friend,
Have lived and loved and laboured here,
And made of it a happy year.

~ **Edgar A. Guest**

WI GROUP REPORTS FROM AROUND THE BENEFICE

HUNDLETON WI

Hundleton WI's AGM was held at Gilead School Room on Tuesday, 1st November.

President Carolyn Monk welcomed invited tellers, Audrey Brown and Kathryn Davies of Bosherton WI to the meeting.

The new 2022/23 Committee members are:- Margaret Luff – President, Margaret Davies – Secretary, Sheila Evans – Treasurer, Jayne Smith, Margaret Brown, Carolyn Monk, Jan Whitehead, Pauline Charlett and Pat Preece.

A Programme Planning meeting was arranged for the new committee at Margaret Luff's house.

The two tellers judged the monthly competition, "A Bonfire Treat" and the winners were:- 1st: Margaret Luff, 2nd: Jayne Smith and 3rd: Margaret Brown.

Hundleton WI will host the Group Carol Service at Hundleton Church on Friday, 16th December at 7pm. Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall following the service. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The next meeting will be held at Gilead School Room on Tuesday, 6th December when the guest speaker will be Mr Adrian Cook who will give a "Christmas Cookery" Demonstration. Will all members please bring a plate of food for the Christmas Buffet and a gift for "Secret Santa".

Jayne Smith
Press Secretary

LAMPHEY AND DISTRICT WI

President Laura Ulyatt welcomed 29 members to the meeting in the Village Hall on 6th December. 11 members sent their apologies. Jerusalem was sung and birthday wishes for December were extended to Cynthia and Mary.

Members were reminded to sign up for the Christmas Dinner. Entries for the Rose Bowl Competition must be sent in by 28th February. A questionnaire has been sent to all WIs by the Pembrokeshire Federation seeking ideas on activities, events, holidays and trips which would be of interest to members. The newsletter was discussed and the Treasurer's Report was received. The resolutions will be discussed at the January meeting. It is proposed that they will be enacted bi-annually so that action can be taken and thoroughly evaluated. There will be a collection of food and cash donations for PATCH at the January meeting.

The raffle was drawn and the winners were Cathy Griffiths, Gill Orchard and Cynthia Edwards.

Mince pies and mulled wine were served. Meryl Brooks then demonstrated "Tasty things to make with Christmas leftovers"

Tess Griffiths

ST MARY'S FLAG FLYING JANUARY 2023

1st	New Year's Day	Provincial Flag
2nd	Second Sunday of Christmas	Provincial Flag
6th	Epiphany	Provincial Flag
8th	1st Sunday of Epiphany	Diocesan Flag
	Anglican Communion Sunday	
	Baptism of Christ	
9th	Princess of Wales	Union Flag
17 – 19th	Start of Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	Diocesan Flag
20th	Countess of Wessex Birthday	Union Flag
21st – 23rd	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (cont.)	Diocesan Flag
25th	The Conversion of Paul, Apostle	Diocesan Flag
27th	Holocaust Memorial Day	Union Flag

The Ukrainian National flag will continue to be flown between the above dates

Flags may be flown at other times where appropriate
(e.g. funerals, other days of national or local importance)

Flags will not be flown when wind speeds are expected
to exceed force 4 on the Beaufort Scale.

News From St Davids Church, Hundleton

REFLECTIONS

By the time you are reading this issue of The Bridge, I'm sure that most of us will already be settling into the New Year and taking some time to reflect on the events of 2022. For each of us our reflections will be different and comprise of both happy and sad memories and everything in between. Perhaps the loss of a dear family member or friend, special birthdays or the birth of a child.

Most of our reflections will be personal, but we will also be thinking about how our world has changed, the terrible war in Ukraine, the energy and cost of living crises etc. And whilst we reflect we become more and more aware, that these things have not passed or gone away just because a digit has on the calendar has changed. They are all still very much with us and must be faced and dealt with, in the year ahead.

But however challenging things might seem, as Christians we are called upon to always stay positive about the future. Through attending the recent "Exploring Christianity" course run by Rev'd Peter, I'm sure that all of the attendees will be reflecting on our own individual faith and based upon what we have learned, have a better idea of what the future looks like for us all.

So as we look forward to the New Year, let us all look into the mirror at our own reflection and ask ourselves if we are truly serving the Lord as he wants us too.

Wishing you all a happy and blessed New Year.

St Davids Hundleton Church Hall

Our new hall is available for use by groups and individuals for miscellaneous activities. It has its own fully equipped kitchen, toilet and baby changing facilities together with projector and screen and seating for 30+ people.

There is no charge but users are requested to make a reasonable donation toward running and maintenance costs. For more details please contact the hall Caretaker Mrs Anne Smith (01646 661354)

Keith

News from St Mary's Church, Pembroke

As a New Year approaches we reflect on the last one. We have seen changes in our own worldwide news constantly telling us of the ravages of war and unrest, poverty and starvation. How blessed we are that we live in a country of peace and our needs are provided for.

With the help of our vaccines for Covid, our church year has progressed almost to normality. It was so good to restart our summer coffee mornings and to welcome visitors once again into our Church. We had a very successful Welsh themed week and this is something we can build upon for the coming year. We have hosted concerts and special services marking national anniversaries, and have also staged an exhibition. We have tried to keep the church open whenever possible and during the mourning period of our dear late Queen a book of condolence was available for people to sign. The bulk of our interior reordering is almost complete and we must say a big thank you to Ian Jones who has headed the programme of work. Ian also keeps our gardens manicured beautifully and kindly cleans the church, along with holding the position of Church Treasurer. Thankfully we have a small band of supporters who help in many ways and without your kind time and assistance our church would suffer – thank you all so much. And a special thank you to Sue Jones for her dedication to all the choral works which is much appreciated by the congregation.

We have two 'wounded soldiers' from our congregation at the moment! Angela Mills and Brenda Baker have both suffered falls that have left them with damaged shoulders. We send our love to you both and hope to see you back soon. We also learn that Phil Rogers is leaving our area. At the age of 93 Phil now finds living on his own rather difficult, so he is sensibly moving to a home near his son in Swansea. We send him our love and best wishes. It just remains for me to thank Peter and Joan for all their faith and hard work in keeping our services going.

May I wish all our readers and blessed New Year.

Marcia James (sub warden)

ST MARY'S, PEMBROKE FLOODLIGHT DEDICATIONS

*Owing to the present power situation, the lighting of the church lights
has been suspended for the foreseeable future -*

**St Nicholas & St John Church,
Monkton Priory Church Hall**



Coffee, Cake and Chat

Tuesdays 10 - 11.30am

do come along and join us ~ you will be most welcome



Parent & Toddler

Friday - 10 - 11.30 am

Nominal Charge of £2 per session

After School Club

for years 5/6/7

Tuesdays 3.45 - 5pm

School Lunchtime Club

Tuesdays, 12.15-12.45pm (term time only)

at Monkton School

A JANUARY ALPHABET

can you unravel the following things all to do with January 2023

*the letters are all in alphabetical order
the number of words in each answer is indicated in brackets*

1. ABCCHKLOOST (3)
2. ADEEFHHILNNOOPPRRTUY (5)
3. CDEEEFINNNORSSWZ (2)
4. AAAABBDEEELNRSTUWY (4)
5. ABDEEHIILLPRRSSSTVYY' (3)
6. BEGHINNPPRRSSSTUU' (3)
7. ADEEHHIINNOOPTWY (4)
8. AADJNRRUYY (2)
9. AAAADILRSTUY (2)
10. AAACDEHILLMMOORSTUY (3)
11. AADEEIMNRSSSWWYY (3)
12. AABCDEEFHIILNOPRRSSSTWY (4)
13. AAABDDHIKLMNNOOYY (3)
14. AAAABDDILLMNNOOORTYYY (4)
15. AAAADFGIILLNTY (3)
16. AADDINNNAATWWYYY' (3)
17. AADEENRSWYY (3)
18. AAABEFFIILNOSSTT (4)
19. EFGHTTTWHILN (2)
20. AAACDEEEHILLNNOORSSTVY (4)
21. AADEFIKNORTUUY (4)
22. AACDELMNS (1)
23. AABDDEILLLORRWY (3)
24. AAABCDDEGHLLOORRSWY (4)
25. ACEEEHINNRSWY (3)

answers next month.

CHRISTMAS ALPHABET — the answers

1. JINGLE BELLS
2. LIST FOR SANTA
3. GOOD KING WENSESLAS
4. DECORATING THE TREE
5. BOUGHS OF HOLLY
6. THE SOUND OF MUSIC ON TV
7. CAROL SINGING
8. WRAPPING PRESENTS
9. THREE WISE MEN
10. ICING THE CAKE
11. MEETING UP WITH FAMILY
12. BRUSSELLS SPROUTS
13. NATIVITY SCENES
14. FLAMING PLUM PUDDING
15. WRITING CHRISTMAS CARDS
16. TREE LIGHTS
17. SLADE SINGING "IT'S CHRISTMAS"
18. MIDNIGHT MASS
19. MULLED WINE
20. TRIFLE FOR TEA
21. HANGING BAUBLES
22. CANDLELIGHT
23. PIGS IN BLANKETS
24. THE KING'S SPEECH
25. SNOW GLOBES

SEASONAL PATHFINDER - the results

S	N	O	W	C	A	M	D	A	M	I	N	P
K	A	L	F	C	H	E	N	R	E	S	C	E
E	I	C	E	I	R	L	E	S	I	P	E	A
S	T	H	G	S	T	S	L	A	S	H	E	C
A	M	T	I	N	M	A	S	C	E	H	P	E
S	C	H	O	D	S	D	C	T	R	D	N	O
S	S	L	O	I	M	R	A	N	E	R	E	A
T	A	N	T	W	I	N	A	D	V	E	T	R
I	G	I	F	R	P	G	N	G	A	I	H	H
V	F	A	M	A	P	G	I	J	N	N	D	O
I	T	L	I	M	E	N	Y	O	G	E	E	L
E	I	Y	T	I	S	I	E	I	G	L	E	L
S	C	A	R	O	L	S	L	S	H	S	R	Y

CAMELS SNOWFLAKES ICE CHRISTMAS CARDS
 MIDNIGHT MASS ADVENT CALENDARS MINCE PIES
 PEACE ON EARTH SCHOOL NATIVITIES GIFT WRAPPING
 SHEPHERD FAMILY TIME CAROL SINGING REINDEER
 HOLLY ANGELS JOY SLEIGHS