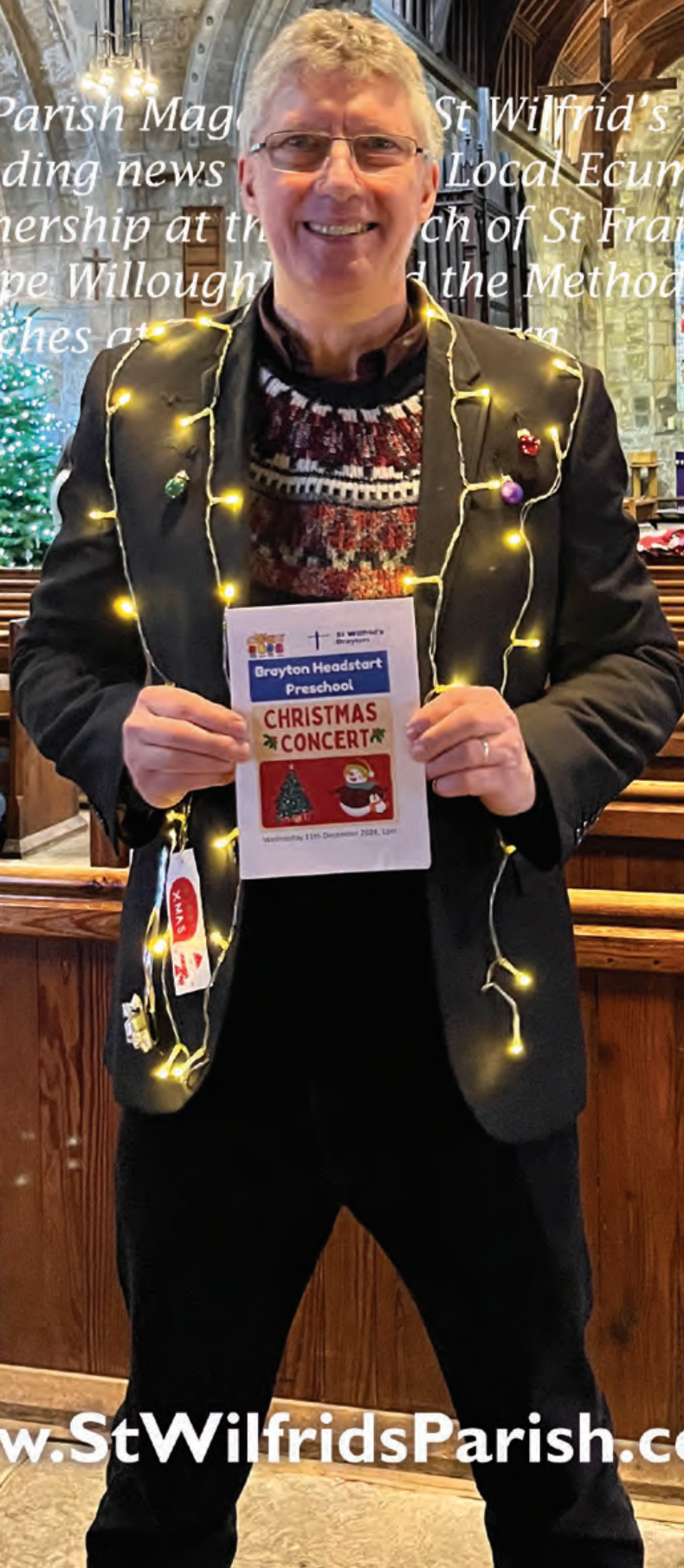


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Welcome

to the January 2025 edition of **Connected**

Happy New Year!

The Brayton Parish Magazine celebrates its 150th anniversary this month. Started by Revd. Crosthwaite on 1st January 1875, the Parish Magazine *Heart & Hearth* limps on in the form of *Connected*!

I've also reproduced some examples of adverts that were included in the earlier copies of *Heart & Hearth*. I wonder if the

Page Woodcock Wind Pills are still available?

Thanks to Martin Pearson for arranging the Brayton Headstart Christmas Celebration, which appears to have been a great success, and also to Ruth Breeze for her contribution this month.

Printed copies of *Connected* cost £5 a year, or you can pick up a single copy for 75p from any of the Churches mentioned within these pages. Subscriptions run from June each year. They will be collected

by whoever delivers your copy of the magazine.

Connected may be downloaded free from the *A Church Near You* websites.

Articles for *Connected* are always gratefully received, by the 11th of the month please.

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"Without civic morality communities perish, without personal morality their survival has no value"

Bertrand Russell

Cover picture by Mrs Clarke

#TheParishThis Month



Some pictures of the annual Nine Lessons and Carols held in St Wilfrid's on the evening of 15th December. Thanks to Ruth Breeze and Mrs Clarke





Home Words for Heart and Hearth

This month marks the 150th anniversary of the first Parish magazine in Brayton Parish. In January 1875, the Revd. Robert Jarratt Crosthwaite, vicar of St Wilfrid's between 1874 and 1883, opened the first edition with a letter 'To the Inhabitants of the Parish of Brayton' – reproduced on the next page.

This Parish magazine followed the format of *Home Words*, a publication created in 1871 by the Revd. Charles Bullock, Rector of St Nicholas, Worcester. Bullock was the author of many books and periodicals. His first magazine was *The Fireside* (first published in 1864), but *Home Words* was the first to be published nationally, yet including local interest; as such, local advertisements and features

written by the local clergy were inserted into the national edition. Readership increased rapidly, from 90,000 a month after just one year of publication. Four years later it was 250,000 a month, and by 1964 it had reached a peak of over 1m copies per month!

It is difficult now to understand the impact that *Home Words* had on Victorian society. In an age when the general population of Britain was only just becoming literate, Bullock's offer of parochial religious reading material to the working classes was revolutionary. It also built upon the example of Charles Dickens' publication of novels in serial form: the phenomenally popular *The Pickwick Papers* had been published monthly between March

1836 and November 1837.

Bullock supported working class advancement through literature and book ownership. The content of *Home Words* was designed to interest, entertain and educate – all good Victorian values – religious articles interspersed with bite-sized advice, proverbs and adverts (see below). These were easy to read and more appealing to consumers.

St Wilfrid's has a library of *Home Words* and later Parish Magazines, which I am assured is complete. Speak to the PCC if you would like to view any edition.

John Clarke †

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To the Inhabitants of the Parish of Brayton.

MY DEAR FRIENDS—

I wish to introduce to you the first number for 1875 of "*Home Words for Heart and Hearth.*" I propose, if you give it a kindly welcome, to adopt it as our Parish Magazine. It will be issued monthly. The price, if a sufficient number of copies are taken, will be one penny. Each number will be delivered early in the month at your own houses.

You will see that the body of the Magazine is intended for general circulation; and I may observe that as many as 180,000 copies were sold monthly last year in various parishes in England. The cover will be printed specially for the parish of Brayton, and will contain notices of matters of interest to the parishioners. For example, we shall print here notices of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials; announcements of Special Services, Sermons, and Collections in church; the Reports of the Inspectors of Schools; and other matters of a similar kind.

Several reasons have led me to wish to introduce a Parish Magazine :

I. It will supply a publication containing wholesome, entertaining, and useful matter, at a price within the reach of all.

II. It will be useful to me as a means of communication with my parishioners on subjects on which from time to time I may wish to give them information, or to express my opinion.

III. It will, I hope, be of some service as a means of promoting the interest of the different parts of our large parish in each other and in the general welfare of the whole.

IV. The institution of such a Magazine has been found useful in other parishes; and I believe that it will give pleasure to many of you.

In conclusion, as this is the January number, allow me to wish you all most heartily "A Happy New Year." May we enjoy God's blessing richly this year; and may we give to Him a large return of thankfulness and love!

Believe me to be,

Your sincere Friend,

R. J. CROSTHWAITE.

BRAYTON VICARAGE, *January 1st, 1875.*

Saint Máedóc of Ferns

When I called at an elderly lady's home to take her to a lunch club run by my church her normal calm and happy nature had been disturbed by a scam text message she had received. The sender claimed to be her son who was in urgent need of some money because his phone was broken. Fortunately, she became suspicious because the phrasing of the message did not sound like her son, so she wisely rang his supposedly 'broken' phone and uncovered the scam. Nevertheless, the whole experience had clearly upset her, so it was fortunate I turned up to reassure her that she had done the right thing.

As Christians this type of experience is always going to present us with a dilemma. Do we follow the teaching of Jesus who, according to the Gospel of Matthew, said: 'Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you', or do we walk away telling ourselves that we support other charities, and they will use the money more wisely?

I can't help being reminded of a story about C S Lewis who was walking past a street beggar with a friend. He stopped and gave the beggar his loose change while his friend walked on. When they got together again his friend said, 'the beggar will only spend it on ale'. To which C S Lewis replied, 'that's what I would have spent it on as well!'

Knowing what to do in such circumstances can be difficult. A few years ago, a destitute couple knocked on my door saying they had been referred to me by someone I knew. I also knew that this person was



moving house that day and could not be contacted. To cut a long story short, my wife and I fed them, gave them clean clothes, let them have a shower, and bought them a tent to sleep in while they sorted out their finances and somewhere to live. But they kept coming back. I realised a few weeks later when I was taking them to a shop to buy food for them that I was being scammed – four police cars with sirens blaring penned me in and dragged them out of my car. My 'beggars' turned out to be terrorists and that experience has led me to be more wary of dealing direct with street beggars but to help them through supporting registered local charities.

Ascertaining the true status of a street beggar has never been easy. The Irish saint, Máedóc of Ferns – also called Saint Aidan or Saint Mogue – is celebrated on the last of day of this month. He died on 31 January 632 AD. While he was known for his self-denial, holiness, and charity, he was also

wise to fraudsters who even then, nearly 1,400 years ago, would try to scam other people.

One day some fraudsters turned up at his monastery having hidden their fine clothes and replaced them with dirty rags. They asked Máedóc to help them to buy some new clothes but first Máedóc checked them out. He found their hidden clothes and gave them to some genuine beggars outside the monastery and sent the fraudsters away in their rags!

The lesson we can all learn from Saint Máedóc, the lady I give lifts to, and, indeed, my own mistakes, is to always check out what the real situation is before being too generous, and if you are still unsure about someone's honesty, direct them to an appropriate charity that you support

Bob Peters †



Look at this splendid lino cut Christmas card that we received from Sheila Noble. It certainly brightened our lounge during the festive period. Thanks Sheila!

When Santa Got Stuck Up the Chimney!

How brilliant it was to see St Wilfrid's full of Brayton Headstart Preschool children, parents, grandparents and carers for their Christmas celebration!

The children gave us a wonderful selection of Christmas songs, many with actions. Although I didn't recognise all of the words I did recall the tunes as many were adaptations of nursery rhymes. Among my favourites were *Five Christmas Puddings in a Baker's Shop*, *When Santa got Stuck up the Chimney* and of course *Away in a Manger*.

Martin Pearson did a superb job as service leader and we all listened to his thoughtful interlude about the meaning of Christmas and joined to sing *Our God is a great big God*.

Several parents and grandparents thanked us at the end for allowing this celebration, and we hope to see them in Church again. Perhaps we could have a pre-Easter celebration?

Many thanks to the staff of Brayton Headstart, Martin for organising the event, and to John Boyer who came along to help and mix some wicked orange squash refreshments!

Jill Clarke ✝

Brayton Headstart Preschool started in September 1967 as 'Brayton Parish Playgroup'. Formed by a group of young mothers from St Wilfrid's, it was held in the Parish rooms until 1991 when it moved to its own premises in the grounds of Brayton High School.



A Prayer for Humility

God I pray You'll grant me
A fair share of humility,
Let me live my life to be
With diffidence and modesty.

Be gracious Lord
and teach to me
The meaning of servility,
Open my eyes and let me see
The world does not revolve
round me.

Let me serve You in all I do
My faith and love of You renew
Let me recall what is so true
That I am nothing, without You

Daphne Kitching

Forget the Elf
on the shelf...



...God wants
Ewe in the Pew!

What's the Big Idea - Acts



The Acts of the Apostles was written by Luke, a physician-friend and fellow-traveller of Paul. It complements his gospel, both being written for Theophilus (Luke 1:3; Acts 1:1), in around AD 63, during Paul's first Roman imprisonment.

While Luke's gospel records what Jesus began to do and teach, Acts tells us about what Jesus continued to do and teach through the disciples, empowered by the Holy Spirit (1:1-3).

Luke's aim is:

1. To present a history. Christianity has a firm historical foundation. The life and teaching of Jesus Christ are recorded in the Gospels; Acts provides an account of the spread of

the Church, as the result of the work of the risen Lord and the Holy Spirit through the apostles.

2. To give a defense. We read speeches to both Jews (eg 4:8–12) and Gentiles (eg 25:8–11), showing us how the Early Church challenged pagan and Jewish thought, the Roman government and Hellenistic culture.
3. To provide a guide. We see basic gospel principles being applied to specific situations in the context of problems and persecution. These same principles are applicable for us today.
4. To depict the triumph of Christianity in the face of bitter persecution. The success of the Church carrying the gospel from

Jerusalem to Rome and planting local churches demonstrates that it operates under the rule of the exalted Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

'But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' (1:8). Just as the Holy Spirit empowered the first Christians in their witness, so He will do the same for us today!

Canon Paul Hardingham †

Arts and Crafts



Reflecting Faith: taking down the Christmas tree decorations

Last month we considered the decorations we put on our Christmas trees, both at home and in our churches.

Many churches keep their decorations – or at least their nativity scene - in place until Candlemas at the beginning of February, but most of us take our domestic ones down around Epiphany, on 6th January, when we recall the arrival of the Three Kings.

But how do we manage them for the rest of the year, after we have taken them down?

Our Christmas ‘baubles’ come in all colours, in matt and shiny, in all shapes and sizes. They can remind us of

people, who also come in all shapes and sizes, colours and tones. Baubles are very fragile, like we are sometimes.

This year as you take down your decorations, have a good look at them and think about the care that you take to store them safely, so that they will not break.

How much more care do you take in looking after the people who make up your life? Your family, friends, neighbours, church, colleagues, local shop keepers, and so on?

It’s quick and easy to pick up the decorations and just drop them in a box, but without some gentle care, will they be okay for next year?

It’s too easy to pass folk by, and get on with what we are doing for ourselves, our own

plans and goals; but aren’t people worth more than that?

Who do we know that would greatly benefit if we gave them just a bit more time, a bit more consideration?

Rev. Dr Jo White †



This month

Have a look at your decorations and see if any of them need a bit of refreshing, some TLC (tender loving care), just as we all do.



Dear Jill

06/12/2024

On behalf of the Trustees of Swaziland Schools Projects, may I thank you for the wonderful donation of £525 from the Brayton PCC. Your support over many years is very much appreciated.

So, what is the charity doing at present?

Our builders are just completing the renovation of Lundzi Primary School. It is a remote school in a very poor area, and we are renovating the 18 classrooms. This includes installing false ceilings and lighting. We do this because otherwise the tin roofs make classrooms very hot in summer and very cold in winter. Also, when it rains, the pupils struggle to hear the teacher. Mending windows and doors and concreting holes in the floors will also take place.

Other work on the site is taking place and we will complete our work there by buying furniture and teaching resources.

We are also about to send about £12,000 so that 34 children – mainly girls – can receive a secondary education. The cost is about £400 per pupil, and this covers the fees, food and uniform.

So, your donation is very timely and will help us meet the 12k target.

Please pass my best wishes onto everyone – I'm still hoping to come and see you all at some point.

Best wishes

Keith Fossey †

Lis Middup will be collecting for SSP in January & February. Donations may be given to Lis directly or to Jill Clarke in St Wilfrid's Church. Thank you for considering a donation to this very special charity with which St Wilfrids' has links, via Father

Jack Dobson since 1989 with Mission Mbabane, a forerunner of SSP. Please contact Lis (07770 440214) or Jill (01757 708646) if you wish to contribute to this charity more formally

Prayer for the New Year

Dear Lord,
We begin a New Year! We all have hopes, expectations, fears and uncertainties, as we move into 2025 – already a quarter of the way through this new century!

We can't know what will happen in the world, in our country, in our lives during this year, but we come before You, thankful that if we put our trust in Jesus and what He achieved on the cross, we need not be afraid; we are safe and secure.

He takes all our hopes and fears and gives us His Peace and His Spirit in return, to sustain and equip us this New Year and always.

Thank you, gracious Father.

Thank you, Lord of all the years.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Nigel Beeton

From the Parish Registers

Funerals

We offer our love and sympathy to the relatives of:

6th December

Roy Green (82) at St Wilfrid's

12th December

Kathleen Furness (78) at St Wilfrid's

18th December

Frank Fagan (88) at St Wilfrid's

Church Floodlights

St Wilfrid's Church was illuminated on:

21st December

In Loving Memory of Carole Doncaster Flannery

22nd December

In Loving Birthday Memories of Ronald Doncaster

If you would like the church illuminated to celebrate a birth, baptism, birthday, marriage, anniversary, or the life of a loved one please contact Pat Griffiths on 01757 705793

Methodist Clergy

Brayton and Burn Methodist Ministers

Rev. Christine Gillespie

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(01977 682695)

**May the road rise up to meet you:
may the wind be always at your back;
may the sun shine warm upon your
face and the rain fall soft upon your
fields; and until we meet again, may
God hold you in the palm of His hand.
Gaelic Blessing**

St Wilfrid's, Clergy & Officers

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Service Roster for January

St Wilfrid's

Sunday 5th January

The Epiphany

10:30am Lay led Morning Prayer

12:30pm Baptisms

Tuesday 7th January

10:30am Holy Communion

at Fernbank Court

Wednesday 8th January

9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 12th January

Baptism of Christ

8am Holy Communion

10:30am Holy Communion

Monday 13th January

10:30am Holy Communion

at St Wilfrid's Court

Wednesday 15th January

10:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 19th January

Churches Together Week of

Prayer for Christian Unity

10:30am Holy Communion **at St**

James, Selby

12:30pm Baptisms

Wednesday 22nd January

9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 26th January

Third Sunday in Epiphany

8am Holy Communion

10:30am Holy Communion with Prayer

for Healing

Wednesday 29th January

9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 5th January

The Epiphany

10:30am Holy Communion with

Prayer for Healing

Thursday 9th January

10am Holy Communion

Sunday 12th January

Baptism of Christ

10:30am Covenant Service

Thursday 16th January

10am Holy Communion

Sunday 19th January

Churches Together Week of

Prayer for Christian Unity

10:30am Holy Communion **at St**

James, Selby

Thursday 23rd January

10am Holy Communion

Sunday 26th January

Third Sunday in Epiphany

10:30am Lay-Led Holy

Communion

Thursday 30th January

10am Holy Communion

Methodists

Brayton

Sunday 5th January

10:30am Morning Worship

Sunday 12th January

10:30am United Service **with**

Burn and Hambleton

Sunday 19th January

10:30am at St James, Selby -

Week of Prayer for Christian

Unity

Sunday 26th January

10:30am United Service with

Holy Communion

at Hambleton

Burn

Sunday 5th January

10:30am Morning Worship

Sunday 12th January

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Brayton

Sunday 19th January

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Hambleton

Sunday 26th January

10:30am United Service

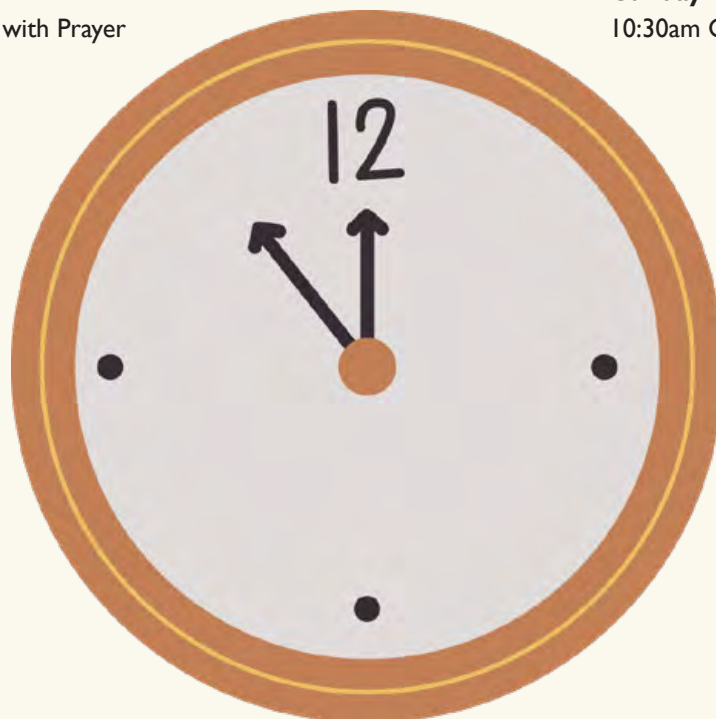
with Holy Communion **at**

Hambleton

Thorpe Willoughby

Sunday 12th January

10:30am Covenant Service



Coffee Corner

Saturday 4th January
10am - 11:15am
St Francis Church

Please join us for a cheery start to 2025 in January. All the usual good things, and plenty of friendly chatter! **Pat**

Community Lunch

Wednesday 5th February
12noon-1:30pm
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

No lunch in January because we will be busy eating up the turkey leftovers: but we will return in February with a simple lunch of soup & dessert with custard for only £5 **Pat**

Tea@Two

Thursday 20th February
2pm-4pm
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

We take a break over Christmas but we look forward to seeing you in February! **Pat**

Coffeemates

Wednesday 29th January
10am - 12noon
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

We do not meet in December, but join us for tea, coffee and fantastic homemade cakes in January! **Lynn**

Coffee for All

Every Tuesday
10am-11:30am
St Francis Church

Come along for coffee, tea and a chat. Everyone is welcome. **Pauline**

Craft Group Coffee Morning

Saturday 11th January
10am - 11:30pm
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

A warm welcome awaits you with good company, coffee and cakes. We hope to see you there! **June**

Wellbeing

Methodist Church Coffee Morning

Saturday 25th January
10am-11:30am
Brayton Methodist Chapel

We miss the charity coffee morning in December, so the next event will be in January 2025. Proceeds to Action for Children. **Lorraine**

Soup and a Song

Friday 31st January
10:30am-1pm
St Francis Church

Memory letting you down? Caring for someone with memory problems? Lonely or know someone who is? Enjoy a good sing-song? Join our happy group for an hour of song & fun, then share a meal of soup, butties and cake. 07921255988. **Rosemary**

Churchyard Tidying

Saturday 25th January
9:30am-12noon
St Wilfrid's Churchyard

We are taking a break in December, but we will be back in January. Come and help maintain the flower borders, cut back the brambles, and empty the rubbish bins! Live the dream! **John**

Crafty Folks

St Wilfrid's Craft Group

Tuesday 14th January
2pm-4pm
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

Everyone welcome, come along for good company and a cuppa. You may learn a new craft! **June**

St Wilfrid's Stitchers Group

Monday 27th January
1:30pm
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

We meet on the last Monday in the Month. We enjoy any type of sewing, cross stitch, and embroidery of any kind, as well as patchwork. All welcome, further details from 01757 705793. **Pat**

St Francis Crafters

Every Wednesday
2pm-4pm
St Francis Church

We meet every Wednesday to knit, sew, crochet, craft and natter. Everyone is welcome! Or come along if you just want to chat! Contact me for more information on 01757 703892. **Margaret**

Women Matters

Mothers' Union

Thursday 9th January
From 2pm
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

Exciting News! We have our AGM in January and the annual subscriptions are due. **Lynn**

Brayton WI

Monday 13th January
From 2pm
St Wilfrid's Parish Hall

We return for our usual meeting in January, when Chris Cade will entertain us with "Olaf, Tales of Battle". 01757 702209 for more information. **Jean**

Thorpe WI

Thursday 9th January
7:30pm
St Francis' Church

Food Night! We welcome Scottish Fayre speaker Alan Clark. We will also enjoy some 70s music. **Jan**

Camera, Action!

Cake, Coffee, Movie

Friday 17th January
10am - 12noon
St Francis Church

We encourage people to come along and socialise over coffee & cake. Doors open at 10am with lots of refreshments followed by the film starting at 10.30am. **Jan**



St Wilfrid's Notices

Burns Night Supper

Saturday 25th January 2025, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall from 7pm. We invite you to a Burns Night Supper consisting of three courses. Tickets are limited and priced at £15 each. Contact Pat Griffiths to obtain your ticket on 07514285652

Pat Griffiths

Connected Stapling

We are running short of people to help staple *Connected* each month. As a rule collating and stapling takes place on the Thursday before the last Sunday of the month, at 2pm in the Parish Hall. The work usually takes 30 minutes dependent on how many people turn up to help. If you feel you have the time to help at 2pm please telephone me on 01757 704331.

Richard Whitehouse

Welcomers Needed!

We are short of people to welcome folk into Church during Sunday morning services. If you are interested please speak to me, or Anne Whike, in Church.

Ruth Breeze

St Francis' Notices

Coffee, Cake and Movie @ St Francis

3rd Friday in each month: next showing 17th January. Doors open at 10am with lots of refreshments followed by the film starting at 10.30am.

We encourage people to come along and socialise over coffee & cake. The Community Cinema is for everyone, and particularly people on their own, or those with health issues, mobility, frailty or dementia & those that support them. Why not come along and join us!

Contact me on (01757) 707987, or tetleyjan@gmail.com for more details.

Jan Tetley

Card Making Workshop

18th January & 15th February, St Francis Church, Thorpe Willoughby. The workshop will consist of making cards after watching a tutorial video. Materials and refreshments provided. Tickets £5: contact me on (01757) 707987, or tetleyjan@gmail.com.

Jan Tetley

Soup and a Song at St Francis

Last Friday in the month. The next Soup and a Song will be on Friday 24th January, 10:30am–1pm in St Francis Church. Is your memory letting you down? Or do you care for someone with memory problems? Are you in need of company, or know of someone who is lonely? Enjoy singing?

Join our happy group for an hour of song & fun, then share a meal of soup, butties and cake. Telephone me for more information on 07921 255988.

Rosemary Finlinson

#TheParishThisMonth (Continued)



Thanks to Jan Tetley for these pictures of the Thorpe Willoughby WI Christmas Celebration.

I do hope that this intense art and craft activity was supervised by a responsible adult!

Community Lunch!



Wednesday 5th February
12noon to 1:30pm in the
Parish Hall. Enjoy good
company plus soup and
dessert for only £5

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WEDNESDAY 29TH JANUARY

FROM 10AM TILL 12NOON

IN ST WILFRID'S PARISH HALL,

CÔFFĒE, CĂKE &
GRĒAT COMPANĀY!

COMMUNITY CINEMA PRESENTS

**COFFEE
CAKE &
MOVIE**

**Screenings at the Church of St Francis
Fox lane, Thorpe Willoughby**

**Third Friday Every Month
Doors open 10am; Film at 10:30am**

NEXT SHOW FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY

**Contact Jan on 01757 707987 or
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Burns Night Supper

Sat. 25th January 2025
7pm in St Wilfrid's Parish Hall
£15 for a three course dinner
Bring Own Drinks!

Tickets limited & available
from Pat 07514 285652