

## Happy New Year!

Happy New Year to you all.

What does New Year mean to you? For some it will mean a nostalgic celebration with family or friends. For others it will be time spent reflecting back on 2015 or firmly looking forward to 2016.

New Year is traditionally a time for people to make new year's resolutions in the hope of making life, work, home or health better. But for many people there is a real frustration when the resolutions don't make it to the end of the month, week or even the first day!

If that's the case for you...there is some good news. The bible tells us that we don't need to wait until the last day of December or the first day of January to have a new start. Instead, because of Jesus, we are offered a new start each and every day. The writer of Lamentations wrote about this poetically and beautifully when we are told that

“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness”  
(*Lamentations 3:22-23*)

So don't wait for another new year to come and go before making a new start. Remember every day is a new day with God because of His love, mercy, grace and forgiveness.

Happy new year (and a happy new day!) to you all. God Bless...

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather".

### SERVICES AND SEASONAL DATES FOR THE DIARY

3 <sup>rd</sup> January – 10.00am Holy Communion	Epiphany	Isaiah:60:1-6 or Matthew 2:1-12
10 <sup>th</sup> January – 9.00am Holy Communion	Epiphany 1	Isaiah:43:1-7
17 <sup>th</sup> January - 10.00am Holy Communion	Epiphany 2	1 Corinthians 12:1-11
24 <sup>th</sup> January - 10.00am All age worship	Epiphany 3	1 Corinthians 12:12-31a or Luke 4:14-21
31 <sup>st</sup> January – 10.00am Holy Communion Joint Service at Hartshill	Epiphany 4 / Candlemas	Luke 2:22-33

### WHAT'S ON IN JANUARY

Thursday 7th	7pm Singing Group in church
Wednesday 20th	3.30pm Messy Church in the Community Centre
Wednesday 20th	7.30pm Mothers' Union AGM
Saturday 23rd	10.30am to 12pm Coffee Morning
<p>Prayer group takes place in Church every Tuesday at 9.15am</p> <p>Children' groups take place on 1st and 3rd Sundays during Holy Communion</p> <p>Trinity Tots in the Community Centre every Monday during term time at 1pm</p> <p>Over 50s group in the Community Centre every Wednesday at 1pm – 3pm</p>	

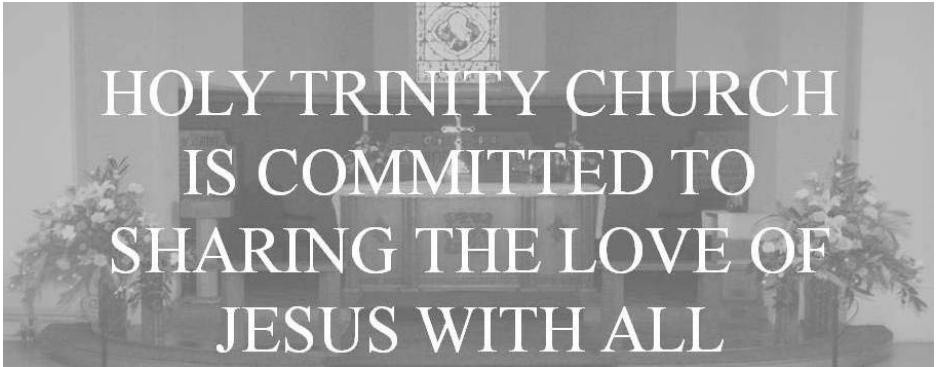
## **From the Registers in December**

Weddings – 29<sup>th</sup> Dec – Matt & Michelle

Baptisms – none

Funerals – 8<sup>th</sup> December – Joan Hubbard

## **Our Mission**



## **From the Editor**

Thank you to everybody who has contributed to the magazine since I took over as editor in July. I am sure that everybody enjoys reading your articles as much as I do. To other potential writers out there, there is always room for more and so, if anybody has anything they would like to share with readers of the magazine, please either write it down and give it to me or email it to me at [susan.foster@bcs.org](mailto:susan.foster@bcs.org).

Photographs of church related events are always welcome too.

The deadline for articles for the February edition is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January.



For Hartshill, Galley Common and area

It was great to start the Church's year with our Churches Together Advent service at St Peter's Galley Common. It was really fantastic that despite the inclement weather each church was represented and was involved (by helping with the readings) in the service. Money collected that evening will be sent off to the Chinthowa Development Trust so thank you for all your support with that.

Also a huge thank you to all who supported the churches together carol singing at Oldbury Grange nursing home in early December. It was a lovely occasion and everyone (including some of the residents and staff) really sang their hearts out – it really helped people get in the festive spirit.

Our next event and service will now be in the new year – but do join us whenever you can for *“How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity...for there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.” (Psalm 133) God Bless, Heather <>*

\* Dates for the diary \* - with more details to follow next month...Woman's World Day of Prayer Coffee Morning

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016 10am-noon at The Society of Friends+

Woman's World Day of Prayer Service

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016 (Time TBC) at The Society of Friends

## Praying for our Parish in January

Everything in heaven and on earth is given by God. He gave his Son Jesus Christ to save us, what can we give Him in return?

1	Anyone alone on New Year's Day
2	Those in financial difficulty
3	Baptism of Ella-Mae
4	All children and students starting back at school and college
5	Baptism visit
6	Heather and her ministry in Hartshill and Galley Common
7	People working in the health service
8	Uniform services
9	Local businesses
10	Those looking for a job
11	Over 50's group
12	Prayer groups
13	Home communions
14	Baptism of Jenson + Godparent
15	Those preparing for marriage

16	Street pastors
17	Homeless people
18	Children in need
19	House groups
20	Messy church
21	Deanery chapter at Hartshill
22	Singing group
23	Those in hospital
24	Nuneaton food bank
25	Local councillors making decisions for the community
26	Refugees from areas of conflict
27	The spiritual health of the church
28	The financial health of the church
29	New parents
30	Uniform groups
31	Mothers Union

Prayers by *Rachel Hopkins*



**All are  
welcome**

**Come along for fun, crafts,  
food and a little mess!!!**

*Our dates for the next few sessions are:*

**20 Jan - Seeing things in a new way**

**17 Feb - Changes**

**16 March – Palm Sunday**

**\*\*\* At Hartshill Community Centre \*\*\*  
(next to Holy Trinity Church, Church Road)**

**All ages Welcome for  
Food, fun, crafts and friendship**

**Children must be accompanied by an adult.  
Cost? Free – but donations are welcomed.**

**Hope to see you there!**

Holy Trinity Church

Hartshill

Coffee Morning

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January

10.30am – 12.00pm



## Future dates for your diary

**St George's Day Supper** Saturday 23rd April 6pm

Adults £5, Children £3. Ploughman's platter and traditional games.  
Tickets on sale April 1<sup>st</sup>

**Summer Fayre** Saturday 11th June 2pm

**Harvest Supper** Saturday 24th September 6pm

Please come and join us at any or all of these informal events, you will be very welcome.

Further details will be in future magazines or please ask a member of the social committee for information.

Our next meeting is to be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April, we always welcome ideas or new members and help at individual events.



## Christmas Wreath Display

Hopefully, everyone enjoyed the Christmas Wreath Display held in Church on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December. We felt that it was a wonderful display and portrayed the gifts of many talented people.



The idea to hold a Christmas Wreath Display came from a visit to Rufford Abbey in Nottingham when Sheila and I stayed at Thorseby Hall in early January 2015.

On the way we called into Rufford Abbey where we saw a display of Christmas Wreaths put on by each department depicting the work their department did. It inspired us to suggest to the Social Committee the idea of inviting Church groups, community groups and individuals to participate in a display.

The Social Committee decided it would be good idea to run it in conjunction with the Christmas Fayre and the PCC agreed.



Anyone and everyone who visited the display could not fail to be delighted by the candle lit display of wreaths. It was wonderful to see such a variety of individual ideas created by both Church groups, Community groups and individuals within the Community.

Additionally, Year 7 pupils at Hartshill School visited the Church over a few days in early December.

Fortunately, the first visit was on 4<sup>th</sup> December so the wreath those pupils made was also included in the display.

Whilst they were in Church many questions were asked, one of which was “What difference and what has Heather brought to the Church”. As you may know, Heather and the PCC have been trying to reach out to the community in many ways over the last few years. We felt that the very success of the event was reinforced by the number of wreaths displayed and the number of visitors that came that day, many of whom made some very favourable comments in our visitors book. We felt that through the amount of different organisations and individuals who had created the wonderful Christmas Wreaths, people could see that what Heather and the PCC are trying to do is working, and this is down to the leadership of Heather.

On behalf of the Social Committee and the Church family, can I say a big thank you to everyone who created a wreath; what a wonderful achievement!



Whilst at Thorseby Hall in January, we also visited Southwell Minster, near Newark and we were also inspired by the Christingle Prayer card they had on display. You may have noticed the Christingle Card at the back of Church and people were invited to place a prayer request on the card.

Once again, many thanks to everyone who took part in the Christmas Wreath Display and, on behalf of the Social Committee, we reiterate our thanks for your support at the Christmas Fayre and Wreath Display.

*David and Sheila Hinds*



## CHRISTIAN CHARITY NEWS

### **The Leprosy Mission**

January is the month when World Leprosy Day is kept. The Leprosy Mission was founded in 1874 by Wellesley and Alice Bailey and now serves in many countries in Africa and Asia. Leprosy is a mildly infectious disease associated with poverty, caused and spread by a bacillus (in a way similar to tuberculosis). It is fully curable since 1982 in the form of multidrug therapy - a combination of three drugs taken daily for 6 - 12 months. The treatment itself costs nothing because the drugs are donated by the pharmaceutical company Novartis; but costs are incurred for transporting the drugs and administering them at clinics or hospitals. Cost of completely curing a patient is around £24.

Around a quarter of a million new cases of leprosy are diagnosed and treated each year. However, there are more than 3 million people worldwide who are living with irreversible disabilities as a result of the late treatment of the disease. A stigma still exists about the disease; so people try to hide the early symptoms from their families and villagers as so often the leprosy sufferer will be disowned by their family, lose their jobs and can be thrown out of their village. In the not so distant past, leprosy colonies were set up on islands, including one of the Hawaiian Islands and another island off the coast of Crete, where people with leprosy were sent to fend for themselves for the rest of their lives.

Thankfully, leprosy patients are now cared for in safe homes and leprosy hospitals and child patients or children of leprosy patients receive an education or vocational training.

Leprosy starts by damaging the small nerves on the skin's surface, resulting in a loss of sensation. Without pain, we are left defenceless to burns and cuts which can cause ulcers and infections and unable to detect grit in the eyes, blindness becomes a common consequence of leprosy.

The Leprosy Mission provides care in many different ways, for example, providing reconstruction surgery for clawed hands which enables people to work once again; eye surgery, providing protective sandals for damaged feet, healthcare, education, rehabilitation, small business loans, housing, giving fresh water supplies and sanitation and also educating villages to try to stop the stigma surrounding the disease so that people are not treated as outcasts.

Funds are raised not only by donations of money; but by selling used postage stamps, postcards and other collectables and also by The Leprosy Mission Trading catalogue of cards and gifts, some of which are made by leprosy sufferers and which we support each year at church.

Contact details are: The Leprosy Mission, Goldhay Way, Orton Goldhay, Peterborough PE2 5GZ. Tel: 01733 370505 or look on their website at <http://www.leprosymission.org.uk/> for more information or to read some of the stories.

*Lynda Kelly*

### **Thank you**

Thank you to all my friends at church who have sent me messages and good wishes after my accident. God Bless you all.

*Mavis (Upton)*

## Sharon's Recipe - Tomato, Bacon and Lentil Soup

This is a tasty, filling, winter soup with no added fat so good to fill you up if you are on a post-Christmas cut down. Serves 4.

<b>Ingredients</b>  7oz bacon rashers, fat removed and cut into bit sized pieces 1 onion 2 cloves of garlic, peeled and crushed 1 tsp finely grated ginger 2 celery sticks, sliced quite fine 1 large potato, diced Half a pint of vegetable stock 1 tbsp mild curry powder 4.5 oz red lentils 400g tin of chopped tomatoes 2-3 tbsp fresh coriander Salt and freshly ground pepper	<b>Method</b>  1. Place a large non-stick saucepan over a high heat. Add the bacon and stir fry for 3-4 minutes. Add the onion, garlic, ginger, celery, potato and carrot and stir-fry for 1-2 minutes.  2. Add the remaining ingredients (except the coriander and seasoning) and bring to the boil. Cover and simmer gently for 20 minutes or until the lentils are cooked and softened.  3. Stir in the chopped coriander, season well and serve immediately.
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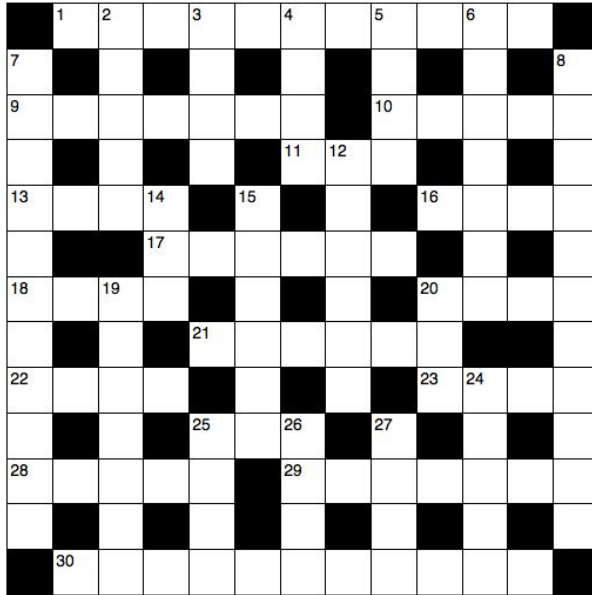
## Sharon's Recipe - Scottish Shortbread and Lemon Possett

Enjoy the shortbread as a biscuit snack or make the posset as well for a refreshing Burn's Night dessert (January 25<sup>th</sup>).

<b>Ingredients Shortbread</b> (makes 12 wedges)  6oz / 175 g plain flour 6oz / 175 g butter at room temperature 3 oz / 75 g castor sugar 3 oz / 75 g fine semolina	<b>Method Shortbread</b>  1. Pre-heat the oven to Gas Mark 2, 300° F / 150° C.  2. Beat butter until soft then beat in sugar, followed by the sifted flour and the semolina. Work the ingredients together with a wooden spoon, pressing them to
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<p>An 8-inch fluted flan tin with loose bottom</p>	<p>the side of the bowl, then finish off with your hands till you have a dough that doesn't leave any bit in the bowl.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Transfer the dough to a flat surface and roll it out to a round, transfer the round to the tin. Lightly press the mixture evenly into the tin, right into the fluted edges. Prick the shortbread all over with a fork or it will rise up in the centre.</li> <li>4. Bake for 1 hour on the centre shelf, then using a palette knife, mark out the surface into 12 wedges while still warm. Sprinkle with a little castor sugar if you wish. Leave it to cool in the tin.</li> <li>5. Once cool, remove from the tin, cut into 12 wedges and store in an airtight container.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Ingredients Lemon Possett</b> (serves 4)</p> <p>1 pint / 600 ml Double Cream 8 oz /200 g Golden castor sugar Zest of 3 lemons 75 ml lemon juice</p>	<p><b>Method Possett</b></p> <p>Put the cream in a big saucepan with the sugar and gently heat, stirring, until the sugar has dissolved. Bring to a simmer and bubble for 1 minute. Turn off the heat and stir in the lemon zest and juice. Allow to cool a little then divide between 4 pots or glasses. Cool to room temperature and then chill for at least 3 hours or up to 24 hours.</p>

## Crossword



### ACROSS

1 Paul said the wrath of God ‘is being revealed from heaven’ against this (Romans 1:18) (11)

9 Go smite (anag.) (7)

10 ‘But — I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee’(Matthew 26:32) (5)

11 ‘Take and —; this is my body’ (Matthew 26:26) (3) 13 Type (2 Thessalonians 2:10) (4)

16 ‘Woe to those who — iniquity’ (Micah 2:1) (4)

17 ‘How shall we — if we ignore such a great salvation?’ (Hebrews 2:3) (6)

18 Opposite of evens (4)

20 Previously cited (Latin) (4)

21 ‘There is surely — — of God in this place, and they will kill me because of my wife’ (Genesis 20:11) (2,4)



22 The Thessalonians were warned to keep away from every brother who was this (2 Thessalonians 3:6) (4)

23 Beat (anag.) (4)

25 To trouble or afflict (Job 16:3) (3)

28 Part of a roof (1 Kings 7:9) (5)

29 Attain (Job 5:12) (7)

30 Insect noted for its gymnastic ability (Psalm 78:46) (11)

## **DOWN**

2 Smell (John 11:39) (5)

3 Lion's home (Jeremiah 25:38) (4)

4 'Jesus Christ is the — yesterday and today and for ever' (Hebrews 13:8) (4)

5 Tidy (4)

6 Made their home (Genesis 47:27) (7)

7 Their task was to carry the curtains of the tabernacle (Numbers 4:25–26) (11)

8 Timothy's was called Lois (2 Timothy 1:5) (11)

12 The Lover likened the fragrance of the Beloved's breath to these (Song of Songs 7:8) (6)

14 Times Educational Supplement (1,1,1)

15 Eight-tentacled sea creatures (6)

19 'And lead us not into temptation, but — us from the evil one' (Matthew 6:13) (7)

20 D.L. Moody's legendary song leader, — D. Sankey (3)

24 Rarely used musical note (5)

25 'Your will be done on earth — it — in heaven' (Matthew 6:10) (2,2)

26 and 27 'The Lord Almighty will — them with a — , as when he struck down Midian at the rock of Oreb' (Isaiah 10:26) (4,4)

# LIBRARY



## Hartshill Community Library

Tuesday 10am to 2pm  
Wednesday 2pm to 4pm  
Thursday 2pm to 4pm (new times)  
Friday 10am to Middyay  
Saturday 10am to Middyay

The following sessions are also held in the library:  
Family History Group Mondays 1.30pm to 3.30pm  
Book Club first Tuesday of the month 10.30am  
IT Support Sessions Tuesdays 2pm to 4pm

Interested? Why not come along to the next session(s) and join in?

## Church Flowers

January 17th            For Edward Kelly  
January 24th            For Douglas Foster

## Church Flower Sponsorship

I think we all agree that the flowers in church are always a picture and thanks go to Jan and her team for decorating the church so beautifully. However, effective displays inevitably cost. Please do consider sponsoring the altar flowers, perhaps in memory of someone you love or to celebrate a special event. As a guide, £15 buys the flowers for a lovely display for the week but any contribution would be gratefully received.

A number of dates are available. For details, see Jan in church or telephone her on 02476 395467



## Answers to crossword on page 16

ACROSS: 1, Godlessness. 9, Egotism. 10, After. 11, Eat. 13, Sort. 16, Plan. 17, Escape. 18, Odds. 20, Idem. 21, No fear. 22, Idle. 23, Abet. 25, Ail. 28, Eaves. 29, Achieve. 30, Grasshopper.

DOWN: 2, Odour. 3, Lair. 4, Same. 5, Neat. 6, Settled. 7, Gershonites. 8, Grandmother. 12, Apples. 14, TES. 15, Octopi. 19, Deliver. 20, Ira. 24, Breve. 25, As is. 26, Lash. 27, Whip.

## To Colour



## Who's Who?

Vicar	Revd. Heather Barnes	02476 392266
Curate	Revd. Michael Brandsma	01827 437292
Church Wardens	Mrs Carol Miles	02476 394339
	Mrs Sally Young	02476 397276
PCC Secretary	Mrs Sheila Hinds	02476 394683
Treasurer	Mrs Wendy Albrighton	02476 397183
Planned Giving	Mrs Wendy Albrighton	02476 397183
Mothers' Union	Mrs Susan Foster	02476 319943
Verger	Mr David Hodson	07773 992270
Weddings	Mr Nick Blamire-Brown/Mrs Jan B Blamire-Brown	02476 395467
Baptism	Revd. Heather Barnes	02476 392266
Community Centre Bookings	Mr John Randle	02476 392856
Sunday School	Mrs Ruth Kinderman	02476 395326
Magazine editor	Mrs Susan Foster	02476 319943

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