



**“NEWS from the PEWS”**  
**The Parish of POSTLING**  
Part of the Elham Valley Group of Churches

**January  
- February  
2024**

*The Bi-monthly Newsletter of St. Mary & St. Radigund's Church, Postling*

Priest in Charge: **Currently in an Interregnum (Awaiting appointment of a new Priest)**  
Assistant Curate: **Rev. Deb. Scoble**, The Vicarage, Lyminge 862747  
Hon. Curate: **Rev. Stephen Dougal**, Bereforstal Farm Bungalow, Elham 840750  
Churchwardens: **Peter Le Feuvre** 863780 and **Chris Reynolds** 862436  
Treasurer: **John Ayris** 07770-667214 PCC Secretary **Sarah Nicholls**  
Safeguarding Officers: **Helen Calderbank and Sarah Montgomery** 863780

*If you have an item about an event in the villages that you would like included in the newsletter, please contact Peter Le Feuvre, Normandy, The Street, Postling. Tel. 863780 or [plefandsem@doctors.org.uk](mailto:plefandsem@doctors.org.uk)*

**CHRISTMAS IN POSTLING 2023**

**Over 160 people came to the services in Postling over Christmas- the Advent Carol Service, the Crib Service and the Christmas Day Communion Service. Along with the carol singing around the village, £470 was given for the International Committee of the Red Cross for their work in Israel and Gaza.**

**A huge 'Thank you' to Tom and Debbie Reynolds for the work of preparing the barn for the crib service, and for everyone in the village who contributed in so many different ways.**



*The Revd. Deb Scoble, our Assistant Curate, has been appointed as vicar in the St. Catwg Ministry Area, Crickhowell, Wales, exercising a ministry across the whole Ministry Area but with particular responsibility for the communities at Llangenny, Llanbedr and Patricio. She will leave us in January.*

## Services in January- February 2024

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January

9.30am Holy Communion

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February

9.30am Holy Communion

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January

No Service in Postling

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February

5pm Tea Service

### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January

10am Holy Communion in Lyminge Church  
*Rev Deb Scoble's last service*

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February

No Service in Postling

### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January

5pm Tea Service

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February

8.30am Breakfast Service

### **Postling Church Flower and Cleaning Rota**

January 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Nikki Clark and Jane Reynolds

January 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Anne Spratling and Genny Ferguson

February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Sachiyo Stevens and Maria Sudworth

February 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Jenny Haydock and Denise Burgess

### **POSTLING LADIES COFFEE AND CAKE MORNING**

**In 2023, the Coffee mornings raised a total of £1,313 for the Pilgrims' Hospices. They will take a break over the winter, and begin again on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

The Craft Days continue on the first Saturday of the month. The next ones are 6<sup>th</sup> January and 3<sup>rd</sup> February in the Village Hall from 10am to 4pm. Do come and join them.

The next **Happy Hours** are Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, held in the church from 6pm. *One or both may be cancelled if the weather is very cold.* A great opportunity to have a chat and meet our friends and neighbours. If you would like to host a Happy Hour to mark a special occasion, please do let us know.

All profits go to the Folkestone Rainbow Centre that runs the Shepway Foodbank, Hythe Pantry and the Folkestone winter night shelter.

**Thanks to 21 people in the village, working in a rota during the winter months, the church is (usually) open every day during the day. Somewhere to find peace and a chance for reflection**

We are pleased to announce that, having fought off stiff competition from others in the village, Frank and Christine Hobbs won the 2023 Postling Christmas Quiz with all of the correct answers.

