



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

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

Priest in Charge: **Rev Jane Weeks**, on long-term sick leave
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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

THE CRIB SERVICE IN PENT FARM BARN ON CHRISTMAS EVE



The Prophet Isaiah appears



The shepherds arrive at the stable

Jenny Mannion writes:

From March 2023 the 'Postling Coffee and Home-Made Cake' Mornings will resume. These will be held between 10am and noon monthly on every second Saturday, (March to December inclusive). Coffee and Cake Mornings are held in Postling's beautiful church.

Jane Seymour (01303-862142) and Jenny Mannion (01303- 863341) will be organising the 2023 Coffee and Cake Mornings, any offer of help will be gratefully received. Donations, in their entirety, will go to the Pilgrims Hospice, Ashford.

It would be remiss not to thank the 2022 volunteers, Annette, Jacqui and Anne whose splendid works raised funds for the local Macmillan nurses. Additionally, thank you Derek for your banking facility. We look forward to hosting you all at the Postling Coffee and Cake Mornings (with a good natter) in 2023.

Services in January and February 2023

Sunday 1st January

10am Benefice Communion at *Elham*

Sunday 8th January

No service in Postling

Sunday 15th January

No service in Postling

Sunday 22nd January

5pm Tea Service

Sunday 29th January

10am Benefice Communion at *Postling*

Sunday 5th February

9.30am Family Communion

Sunday 12th February

No Service in Postling

Sunday 19th February

9.30am Morning Service

Sunday 26th February

5pm Tea Service

Postling Church Flower and Cleaning Rota

January 7th and 14th

Malliet Pattrick and Sarah Nicholls

January 21st and 28th

Nikki Clark and Jane Reynolds

February 4th and 11th

Genny Ferguson and Anne Spratling

February 18th and 25th

Sachiyo Stevens and Maria Sudworth

Lent begins on 22nd February - cleaning only

Thank you to Debbie, Tom and Chris Reynolds who spent hours preparing the Barn at Pent Farm for the Crib Service. The atmosphere was wonderful!

And thanks to everyone who gave so generously to the appeal for the famine in East Africa over the Christmas period. We have been able to send £670 to Christian Aid.

There will be the usual Craft Day from 10am-4pm in the Village Hall on Saturday 7th January and 4th February. All welcome.

Happy Hour will continue through the winter and spring. The next Happy Hours are Friday 27th January (which Bob and Kerry Lock have kindly offered to host in their home) and Friday 24th February (which will be in the church, unless it is very cold). All profits go to the Folkestone Rainbow Centre that runs the Shepway Foodbank, Hythe Pantry and the Folkestone winter night shelter.

Village events are being planned for the Coronation weekend and holiday. Don't miss them!

