

# Merry Christmas

AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO: MALPAS, THREAPWOOD AND BICKERTON



Dec 2021 / Jan 2022

PARISH MAGAZINE

## St. Oswald's, Malpas and St John's, Threapwood

### *Church Wardens*

Beverley Dobson 01948 861313

Beverley.dobson21@gmail.com

Angela Latham 01948 860544

Amlatham1@outlook.com

### *PCC Secretary*

Karen Kirk 01948 860988

### *PCC Treasurer*

Louise Furnival 01948 820440

### *Gift Aid Secretary & Parish Magazine Editor*

Liane Smith 07795457347

Liane.smith@outlook.com

### *Parish Magazine Advertising*

David Ackroyd 01829 773632

Davidackroyd1@outlook.com

### *PPC Rep for St John's Threapwood*

Sir Jonathan Clark Bt 01948 770205

### *Friend's of St Oswald's*

Lady Christine Bibby 01948 860809

### *Verger and Mother's Union*

Ann Welby 01948 861475

annwelby@live.co.uk

### *Tower Captain*

Ben Kellett 07742976950

Ben-kellett@hotmail.co.uk

### *Director of Music*

Stewart Smith 01948 662412

Stewartsmith9998@gmail.com

### *Website*

Nigel Dobson 01948 861313

Nigel.dobson28@gmail.com

### *Social Media*

Sue Anderson 07506994550

Sueanderson.quoisleybridge@btopenworld.com

### *The Threapwood Community Group*

Sue Pickering 01948 770236

### *Friend's of St John's, Threapwood*

Gill Edwards 01948 770694

## Holy Trinity, Bickerton

### *Church Wardens*

Val Capewell 01829 782345

Val.capewell@btinternet.com

### *PCC Treasurer and Gift Aid*

Andrew Higgins 01829 260885

andrew\_higgins@me.com

### *PCC Secretary*

Mary Butterworth 01829 720801

mary.butterworth@gmail.com

### *Church Flowers*

Janet Clark 01829 720827

### Follow us on:



"St Oswald's with St John's Threapwood & Holy Trinity, Bickerton"



@st\_oswaldmalpas



www.malpaschurch.co.uk





## NOTE FROM THE EDITOR



*Cover picture:* Following my appeal for children’s artwork for the front cover, I am delighted to feature this lovely Christmas Tree drawn by the hands and feet (!) of 3 year old Davey Turner-Roberts. I hope you will all keep the Parish Magazine handy with this fun picture on it through all of December and January as there’s information in here about events into the New Year. Inside you will find other colourful Christmas pictures from the Horton children. Thank you to you all. Our next parish magazine is February and I’d like you to get your children and grandchildren to draw a picture of “Winter” - it could be snowy by then! Please send a photograph or scan of the drawing or painting with name and age of the artist to my email any date *before 10th January*.

The shops in Malpas High Street are all decorated for Christmas and so are the different eating places. Take the time to visit and support our local retailers and treat yourself at one of our lovely café’s. Do look through the adverts—the local businesses offer fantastic services and are right on your doorstep. This month I have picked on two advertisers that have something special to offer for Christmas, one established a long time and one new to the village, to find out what makes Malpas their chosen location. If you would like to tell us a bit more about your business in future issues — please get in touch.

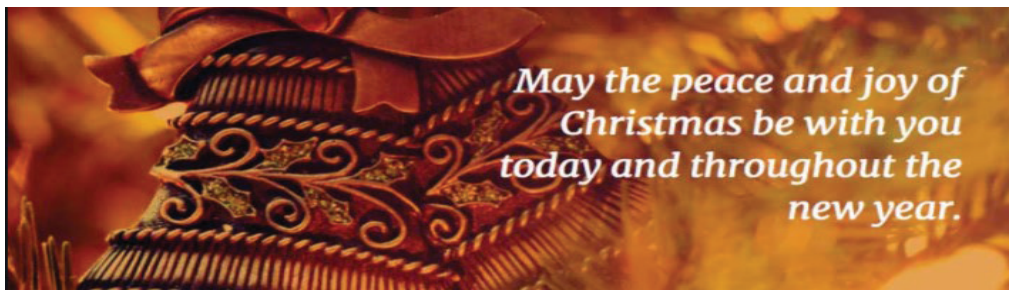
There are children’s puzzles on two pages this time and a special challenge to “I spy” the holly —check every page to find all of them! Read about Patrick Miles hobby— photography—in this edition. Our churches have several festive services for Advent and Christmas including Carol and Crib services, so check those times, plus other dates for your diary over the next 2 months.

I’d like to hear about hobbies you enjoy, walks or plans your clubs have for the Spring. Other ideas for content always welcomed. Please think ahead and send details of any events in February through before 10th JANUARY to: my email below.

Let me finish with warm Christmas wishes to all,

Liane Smith

Editor      liane.smith@outlook.com





# **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

AT

**ST OSWALD'S, MALPAS,  
HOLY TRINITY, BICKERTON, ST JOHN'S, THREAPWOOD**

## **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 8.00am: Holy Communion at St Oswald's
- 9.30am: Parish Communion at St John's
- 11.00am: Parish Communion at Holy Trinity
- 11.00am: Parish Communion at St Oswald's
- 4.00pm: Evening Prayer at St Oswald's

## **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 8.00am: Holy Communion at St Oswald's
- 9.30am: Parish Communion at Holy Trinity
- 11.00am: Parish Communion at St Oswald's
- 6.00pm: Carol Service at St John's**

## **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**4.00pm: Carol Service at Holy Trinity with Bickerton School**

## **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 8.00am: Holy Communion at St Oswald's
- 9.30am: Parish Communion at St John's
- 11.00am: Parish Communion at Holy Trinity
- 11.00am: Parish Communion at St Oswald's
- 6.30pm: Carol Service at St Oswald's**

## **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Eve**

- 3.00pm: Christingle & Crib Service at Holy Trinity
- 4.00pm: Crib Service at St Oswald's
- 8.00pm: First Communion of Christmas at Holy Trinity
- 11.30pm: First Communion of Christmas at St Oswald's**

## **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Day**

- 9.30am: Communion with Carols at St John's**
- 11.00am: Communion with Carols at St Oswald's**



**NOTE: There are NO services on Sunday 26th December**



## January Services

### St Oswald's Malpas

8.00 am Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer every Sunday  
11.00 am Sung Parish Communion in Common Worship every Sunday  
6.30 pm Evening prayer every Sunday  
10.00 am Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer every Wednesday

### St John's Thrapwood

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month: 09.30 am Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer

### Holy Trinity Bickerton

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month: 11.00 am Holy Communion  
2nd and 4th Sundays of the month: 09.30 am Holy Communion  
5th Sunday - Lay led service



## One Achord - Ladies Choir

We have great pleasure in being able to tell everyone that we are back singing again and are rehearsing in readiness for 2 events to celebrate Christmas. When we hope you will come along and join us, we look forward to welcoming you. The first is the **Christmas Gala Evening with food and wine on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December at St Oswald's Church, Malpas at 7.00 pm** (please see separate advertisement for details). The a few days later, please join us for:

*Christmas Carols and Community Singing at The Lion in Malpas*

*On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2021.*

Everyone are welcome to come along enjoy a **glass of mulled wine and a mince pie** whilst joining in with singing for Christmas, please arrive in time for **singing at 7pm**. You don't need to book in and there is no entry charge, if you plan to come and eat during the evening at The Lion you would need to make a reservation, well ahead of the day.

Please visit our website: [www.oneachord.org.uk](http://www.oneachord.org.uk) for more information about One Achord.





## Dates for your diary - It's a busy month ahead!

**2nd and 3rd December**—Christmas Wreath Making at Bickerton Village Hall—see details in this magazine.

**Friday 10th December**—a fantastic **Gala Christmas Concert** at St Oswald's with Wirral Concert Band, One Achord Ladies choir, St Oswald's choir, Abbey Gate Bell Plates plus wine and refreshments . A chance to get in the mood for Christmas including a chance to sing some of your favourite carols and catch up with friends—Don't miss it!

**Tuesday December 14th**—**Christmas Carols and Community Singing at The Lion in Malpas** at 7pm with One Achord Ladies Choir

**Wednesday December 15th** - **Christmas Bingo** at the Jubilee Hall from 7pm with refreshments and raffle and prizes—Malpas Lions

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December** — Please join us at Holy Trinity Church at 4.00 pm to celebrate the Joy of Christmas with Bickerton School for Carols, Mince pies, Mulled Wine and Surprises !! Whatever your age you are all very welcome, this service is not just focused on the young, we hope to bring all of our congregation together in our preparations for welcoming the Christ Child. ( we advise you to wrap up warmly as this service will be held out doors)

**Saturday 18th December**—**Family Christmas Craft morning** at St Oswald's church from 10am-1pm. Children's crafts (making Christmas Tree decorations and a festive table decoration) plus refreshments and children's carols.

**Thursday 6th January**, St Oswald's choir will be singing the Epiphany Eucharist at 5.30pm in Chester Cathedral. The form of the service will be the Book of Common Prayer. The choir will be conducted by Stewart Smith and the organist will be Henry Smith. - All welcome.

## STOP PRESS!

**Don't miss the family Christmas craft morning on 18th December at St Oswald's from 10.00 to 1pm. Children's crafts: Make Christmas tree decorations and a table decoration, carols and refreshments. Bring the children and get creative !**



by Ruby Lea Horton Age 10

## Warden's Report Malpas



Christmas is Coming!!

We look forward to welcoming as many as possible to our Christmas Services. These start with the Advent Carol Service "Darkness to Light" on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30; a wonderful evening to start our Christmas Celebrations. On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December we will be putting on a Christmas concert which will include our own wonderful choir as well as the amazing Choir One Achord, and Wirral Community Band. There will be refreshments and a glass of something warm and Christmassy so do please come along for a great seasonal entertainment.

The Carol Services start with St John's Threapwood on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December (6pm) and at St Oswald's on 19<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm where mince pies and mulled wine will be served after the service. Don't forget our very popular Crib Service on Christmas Eve at 4.30 where we hope to have as many children old or young, big or small to fill the church.

There will be a Midnight Service at 11.30 pm on Christmas Eve and a Christmas Day communion Service both at St Oswald's. During our vacancy we are only able to put

on all these services because of the support and hard work of our wonderful retired clergy. We would like to take this opportunity, as Church Wardens, to thank you all, we are so very grateful. So do please join us at these services to show our appreciation of their help for us.

Church Walk has now been resurfaced and is looking very smart and pothole free. We are very grateful to Clarke Contracting for the excellent work done.

At the back of church there are CDs of the choir singing Christmas Carols £10 and also Christmas Cards by Katy Morris 5 cards for £4. Electronic payment is possible in the church.

We wish You all a very peaceful Christmas and a wonderful New Year

Angela Latham and Beverley Dobson,  
Church Wardens, St Oswald's Church



By Spencer Horton, Age 13





# Bickerton Village Hall Christmas Wreath Making Workshops 2021

Thursday 2 December 1.30 pm

Thursday 2 December 6 pm

Friday 3 December 1.30 pm

**£35 inc all materials and refreshments**

To reserve your place, please call :

Mary Butterworth 01829 720 801

Cheques in advance please, made payable to *Bickerton Village Hall*.

Please place in an envelope marked *Wreath Workshop*

and send to :

Briar Cottage, Wrexham Road, Bickerton SY14 8BD or Bickerton Village Hall,  
Long Lane, Bickerton SY14 8AU

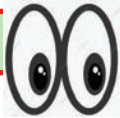
**Please bring apron and secateurs**

**Proceeds in aid of Holy Trinity Church Funds**



## Malpas Parish Council Vacancies.

This is not an official Malpas parish Council press release, just personal comments from Charlie Higgin, as an individual councillor. Readers may recall that last month I pointed out that there were a couple of vacancies on Malpas parish Council. Two people have expressed an interest so by the time you read this these vacancies may be filled. However I have been told that another councillor is set to resign, so we will have another vacancy to fill. Anyone interested can contact me for further details on 01948 860083, email [higgincharles@gmail.com](mailto:higgincharles@gmail.com) or drop in on me at 1 Well Farm Close, Malpas, Cheshire, SY148QW.



## Christmas Bingo

Malpas Lions are holding their Christmas Bingo on Wednesday **December 15th** in the Jubilee Hall in Malpas. Doors open at 7pm... eyes down at 7.30pm. Prizes include chicken meals with pudding and wine, vouchers etc. There will also be a raffle. **£1 ENTRANCE** to include a hot drink and mince pie. Cake will be on sale. As usual our money from this bingo goes to Claire House Children's Hospice. Please support this great cause.



Norah O'DONNELL. Malpas Lions.





# HUXLEY'S COUNTRY STORE & BAKERY

*The bakery serves homemade products such as pies, pasties, breads, cakes and sandwiches. They also sell fresh vegetables, cooked meats (including spit-roast chickens), cheeses and general groceries and wines & spirits.*



Huxley's Country Store  
13, High Street, Malpas, Cheshire  
01948 860352

Are you a local business?  
Ask for details of the Silver  
Service PR Package



ANGELA WITTER  
— THE STORY CHEF —



***Amplify your business through PR-led communications***

Targeted press coverage  
Bespoke copywriting  
Content strategy



Storytelling  
Reputation management  
Online Training & Workshops

hello@angelawitter.com 07783 679688

## MALPAS VICTORIA JUBILEE HALL



Facilities for Receptions,  
Parties, Clubs and Committees

Main Function Room & Lift facility  
Five Meeting Rooms  
Two Kitchens and Bar  
Daytime & Evening Bookings  
at Competitive Rates

For bookings & enquiries please contact  
Angela Riley 0789 577 9703  
email address: [malpasvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:malpasvillagehall@gmail.com)



**E.G. Corbett Ltd**  
VEHICLE REPAIRS

HGV Repairs, Maintenance and Plating  
Servicing  
Recovery  
Tyres  
24hr Breakdown Assistance  
Hampton Industrial Estate SY14 8LU  
07944 606 652

## A.HUGHES & CO

SUPPLIERS OF  
**FRESH EGGS**

HAMPTON HEATH  
MALPAS

Telephone MALPAS 01948 820880

### PAUL LANGFORD

Painter & Decorator

City & Guilds

Mob: 07840 637043

Friendly & Reliable  
Free Estimates  
Fully Insured



### BUSHES

## LANDSCAPE & GARDEN SERVICES

*Fencing, Patios, Tree work,  
Maintenance etc*

**Call Dave Taylor on**

Mob: 07990 502420

**PLEASE MENTION THAT  
YOU ARE  
RESPONDING TO AN AD  
IN THE PARISH NEWS  
WHEN CONTACTING  
ADVERTISERS**



65 High Street, Farndon, Chester

Mercury House High Street Tattenhall

Tel: 01829 270544 / 01829 738692

Mob: 07979 866788

Cathryn Woodall, Grad. Dip. Phys. MSc

Anne Oliver BSc. Hons. MSc

Chartered Physiotherapists

- Over 30 years' experience in musculoskeletal and sports physiotherapy
- Local rural Physiotherapists
- Member of Jockey Injury Management Team Physiotherapist

Assessment, diagnosis and treatment of:

- Sports Injuries
- Back and neck pain including sciatica and trapped nerves
- Joint aches and pains
- Arthritis pain and stiffness

PLEASE PHONE TO ARRANGE AN APPOINTMENT.  
Mob: 07979 866788 Tel: 01829 270544

## Warden's Letter Bickerton



Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that this is the last edition of the magazine in 2021 and I know I speak for all of us in thanking Liane for taking over the thankless role of Editor of the magazine to ensure its continued publication in to 2022 and its role in bringing us together.

Where have the last twelve months gone? They seem to have flown by, here at Holy Trinity we had some excitement in October when we provided the venue for the filming of part of a short documentary for Chanel 5 featuring the riots in Strangways prison which I had forgotten started in the prison chapel, hence the use of Holy Trinity. The film is scheduled to be broadcast in 2022 and as soon as we have a date, I will let you know but please do keep an eye out for it, you may well spot someone you know who was an extra!

Advent is now upon us, a time preparation and eager anticipation of the birth of the Christ Child. We at Holy Trinity have joined with Bickerton Primary School to host our first event of Christmas on 16<sup>th</sup> December at 4 pm in the grounds of Holy Trinity "putting Christ back into Christmas". This event is not just for children, but for children of all ages, which means the invitation includes you! So do please come along and join us. This Advent we are departing from the norm for Holy Trinity and combining our Christingle service with the Cribb service at 3 pm on Christmas Eve then reverting to holding our usual Christmas Eve First Communion of Christmas at 8pm; there will be no service on Boxing Day 26<sup>th</sup> December. None of these services or our regular Sunday services would be possible during this interregnum without the dedication of our retired Clergy and to whom we must express our sincere and grateful thanks. Hopefully in 2022 we will have an Incumbent and these amazing retirees can once more enjoy retirement!



By William Horton, Age 8

To conclude may I speak for all of us at Holy Trinity in wishing you a Peaceful and Happy Christmas and New Year.

Val Capewell, Warden Holy Trinity



# The Story of Christmas—Find the Key Words

More than 2000 years ago, there lived a young woman named **Mary**. She was preparing to be married to a man named **Joseph**.

One day, an **angel** appeared to Mary and said, "Listen! You will soon have a son, and you will name him **Jesus**. The baby will be holy and will be called the Son of God."

Around the time for Jesus to be born, the Roman rulers ordered everyone to return to their hometown to be counted.

Joseph and Mary had to travel to the town of **Bethlehem**. When Joseph and Mary arrived at Bethlehem, the town was very crowded. They had to stay where **animals** were kept.

While they were there, baby Jesus was born. Mary wrapped him with pieces of cloth and placed him in a **manger**.

That night, in a field near Bethlehem, **shepherds** were looking after their sheep. An angel appeared to them and said, "I bring you good news of great joy for all people. Today in Bethlehem, a Savior has been born. He is **Christ** the Lord!" Then many more angels appeared, praising God for the birth of Jesus.

Sometime later, **wise men** from the east saw a bright, new **star** in the sky. They knew it was a sign that a great King had been born. The wise men followed the star to look for the child. When they found Jesus, they bowed down, worshiped him and gave him gifts.

This is the true story of **Christmas**. Christmas is the day we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

God sent his Son, Jesus, to be born on earth because he loves us very much.

*For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.*

John 3:16

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



10

Join the dots,  
add decorations  
and colour me  
in

11 • 12 8 • 9



13 • 14 6 • 7



15 • 16 4 • 5



17 •

18 • 2

3

19 • 1

How many 4 and 5 letter words can you make using the letters below? You may not include plurals or proper nouns!

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS







# *St Oswald's Malpas*



*Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December – 7.00pm*



## *A Christmas Gala Evening with Food and Wine*

*Performed by*

*St Oswald's Choir      One Achord Choir*

*Abbey Gate College Junior Dept Choir and Belle Plates*

*Wirral Community Band*

-----  
*Admission is free with a retiring collection but you need to  
reserve your attendance to help with catering.*

*For reservations please either email  
[stewartsmith@gmail.com](mailto:stewartsmith@gmail.com) or text with your name to  
07745422204 by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December*



## Introducing "A Table at Eatons" and Lou and John Furnival



### ◆ *How many years have you worked in hospitality?*

Lou has worked 37 years in hospitality and John 45 years, starting in privately owned hotels.

### ◆ *When did you open in Malpas?*

We bought A Table at Eaton's on 26th April 2002, it was already running as a restaurant. 2022 will be our twentieth anniversary here!

### ◆ *Why did you choose Malpas for your restaurant?*

We wanted to move back to Cheshire where we both come from and be closer to family. Malpas is well-situated.

### ◆ *What do you enjoy about running your business here?*

Enjoy a sense of community within the village and still have the buzz for meeting peoples needs and welcoming friends old and new into the restaurant

### ◆ *What are you offering over the festive season?*

Throughout December we are offering a festive menu as well as the a la carte at both lunchtime and evening. We are open on Christmas Day for lunch but have been fully booked since the end of August. We will also be offering Boxing Day Lunch. We are also open on New Years Eve Night. Please phone with any enquiries to 01948 861177



### ◆ *How will you relax at the end of the busy period?*

We will close for a couple of days in the New Year and spend time with family

### ◆ *Any message to Malpas?*

We would like to wish everyone all the best for the Festive Season and thank them for all their support throughout Covid. Look forward to welcoming them into the restaurant in the future.

## St Oswald's Mothers Union



At the M.U Diocesan AGM in November the membership subs for 2022 were decided, they are not due until early January, so you will be contacted nearer the time.

As we move through Advent to Christmas and thoughts of a New Year, uncertainty persists regards meetings - meanwhile please do come along to the Wednesday midweek communion service at 10 am and enjoy some fellowship, (followed by coffee on the second of the month). Every blessings for this season.

*And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. John 1:14*



A Table At Eaton's  
5 Church Street  
Malpas  
Cheshire  
SY14 8NU  
01948 861177

Thanks for all your support during Covid

Now Taking Bookings for  
Christmas Day Lunch  
Boxing Day Lunch  
Festive Menu during December  
Lunch and Dinner  
New Year's Eve



## Deborah Wilkinson & Co

**SPECIALIST LAWYERS AND  
COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS**

If you need advice and assistance  
with making a Will,  
Lasting Powers of Attorney,  
Estate Administration, Protective Property  
Trust or Court of Protection matters:-  
**please contact us on 01829 782604**  
**5 The Green, Harthill Lane,**  
**Harthill, Nr Tattenhall, Cheshire**  
**CH3 9LH**  
Website [www.legacydirect.co.uk](http://www.legacydirect.co.uk)



*The*  
**Dog House**  
*Canine Beauticians*



High Street, Tattenhall, Chester CH3 9PX  
Tel. 01829 770267  
High Street, Malpas, Cheshire SY14 8NN  
Tel. 01948 861196

## Rolfe's The Family Funeral Service

3<sup>rd</sup> Generation of Funeral Directors  
Offering a personal service  
**DAY OR NIGHT**

14, Station Road  
Whitchurch  
Tel. (01948) 662209

**Golden Charter**  
Funeral Plans 

## G. A. SPEED & SON PLASTERING CONTRACTORS

Internal & Exterior Plastering  
Tiling & Floorscreeding

Tel: 01948 860916 07724 185867

## Mulsford Cottage B&B

Mulsford Cottage is a four star bed and breakfast in the heart of North Wales offering idyllic weekend getaways, overnight stays for visitors to the nearby Wrexham Industrial Estate (or longer stays for corporate visitors)

En Suite Facilities/ Private Sitting, Dining Room With Open Log Fire  
WiFi / Pet Friendly / Off Street Parking / Evening Meals A Speciality

Sarn, Malpas,  
Cheshire SY14 7LP

T: 01948 770414

M: 07960 498244

W: [www.mulsfordcottage.co.uk](http://www.mulsfordcottage.co.uk)

E: [kate@mulsfordcottage.co.uk](mailto:kate@mulsfordcottage.co.uk)



**QUALITY  
SERVICING  
& REPAIRS**

Tel: David Lunt

01948 770341

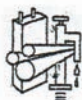
Open Mon – Fri 8.00am – 17.00pm  
Occasional Saturdays



Windsor Cottage  
Threapwood  
Malpas  
Cheshire  
SY14 7BA

**FRANCIS  
OPTICIANS  
OPTOMETRISTS**

Chirk 01691 777647  
Malpas 01948 861259  
Wrexham 01978 262460  
[www.francisopticians.co.uk](http://www.francisopticians.co.uk)



## Les Rich

*Plumbing & Heating*

☎ 01948 860576

Mobile 07949192475

Glazing – Wall tiling – Floor Tiling

## Locksmiths

LOCAL AND INDEPENDENT

NO CALL OUT CHARGES

FREE SECURITY ADVICE

WOODEN, UPVC DOOR LOCKS, WINDOW  
LOCKS

ANTIQUE LOCKS and RURAL SECURITY  
IDP LOCKSMITHS (IAN)

BASED IN WHITCHURCH COVERING SHROPSHIRE

Tel. 01948 666116 Mobile 07918 617744

Email. [idplocksmiths@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:idplocksmiths@hotmail.co.uk)

Website. [www.idp-locksmiths.co.uk](http://www.idp-locksmiths.co.uk)



## Haycocks

Chimney Sweep



Call today on

Tel: 01948 820006

Mob: 07966 157658

## Threapwood Garage & M.O.T. Centre

For cars and light commercials

- Service all makes.
- Tyres
- Exhausts Fitted
- Body work
- Number Plates
- Recovery.



Wrexham Road, Nr Malpas  
Cheshire, SY14 7AL

Tel: 01948 770207

# *A Malpas Christmas*

*Seasonal Carols sung by*

*The Choir of St. Oswald's*

*Director of Music and Organist - Stewart Smith*

18 of the  
best carols

£10



We are delighted to announce the release of the St. Oswald's Choir singing its first Christmas CD. The CD is now on sale in Church every Sunday priced £10. Please contact Stewart Smith 07745422204 if you are unable to purchase from Church.

1. O Come, O Come Emmanuel.....15th century arr. David Willcocks
2. The Truth from Above.....trad. arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams
3. ORGAN— Noel.....Henri Mulet
4. Adam Lay y Bounden.....Boris Ord
5. While Shepherds Watch'd their Flocks .....1592arr. David Willcocks
6. In the Bleak Mid Winter.....Gustav Holst
7. O Little Town of Bethlehem.....arr. R. Vaughan Williams & T. Armstrong
8. Away in a Manger.....W. J. Kirkpatrick arr. D Willcocks
9. Once in Royal David's City.....English trad arr. D. Willcocks
10. Infant Holy.....Polish Carol arr. D. Willcocks
11. The First Nowell .....English trad. arr. D. Willcocks
12. ORGAN - In Dulci Jubilo ..... J. S. Bach
13. God Rest You Merry Gentlemen .....English trad. arr. D. Willcocks
14. The Angel Gabriel .....Basque trad. arr. Edgar Pettman
15. Christmas Lullaby.....John Rutter
16. Hark the Herald Angels Sing ..... Felix Mendelssohn arr. D. Willcocks
17. Lully, Lulla, Lullay .....Philip Stopford
18. O Come All Ye Faithful .....18thc. arr. D. Willcocks





## Christmas Day Food



If you kept up with the November edition you already have your pudding in the bottom of the fridge. Unfortunately you should have made the Christmas cake in October (yes I was also too busy) so you can rush it in the first weekend in December (Mary Berry link below) or just cheat and buy a rich fruit cake, make holes in it with a skewer and pour a weekly glass of sherry or brandy into it. Keep it well wrapped with greaseproof paper.

A week before Christmas spread apricot jam over and roll out marzipan to the size of the top of the cake. The next day roll out purchased icing to cover the marzipan (or make royal icing e.g. Mary Berry's [https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/classic\\_christmas\\_cake\\_04076](https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/classic_christmas_cake_04076) (step 11)) and put cake decorations and frill on to finish.

In our household Christmas cake is very popular served in the traditional Yorkshire way (thanks to John) with a slice of Wensleydale cheese. How that came about I have no idea and it seems weird, but actually it's a great combination of flavours.

Keeping stress out of the main event is mostly achieved by preparation the day before:

- cooking a good supply of pigs in blankets for the children to munch (as they get hungry at a different timetable to the meal),
- peeling boring potatoes etc (keep in a bowl of water in the fridge for a day),
- making any side dishes like cranberry sauce which I used to buy until I discovered how easy it is to make (boil 340g cranberries in 250ml water plus 100g of soft brown sugar for about 10 mins until softened. Cool and add a large teaspoon of vanilla essence and salt and pepper)
- any starter (mackerel or salmon pâté is a nice contrast to the meat course, try <https://philshomekitchen.org/2016/04/05/the-easiest-quickest-smoked-mackerel-pate-in-the-world/> ) and
- brandy butter for the pudding (beat 200g of softened salted butter with 175g of icing sugar and 1 teaspoon vanilla essence. Keep beating as you add around 5+ tablespoons of brandy. Keep in a bowl in the fridge and serve directly onto warmed (microwaved) slices of the pudding you made last month.....

Christmas Day - Add a turkey (actually always beef in the Smith household, so I have no idea how you cook it—good luck) and its all done.

(I think the February magazine needs some great curries and your favourite winter warmer foods... recipes and suggestions welcomed.)



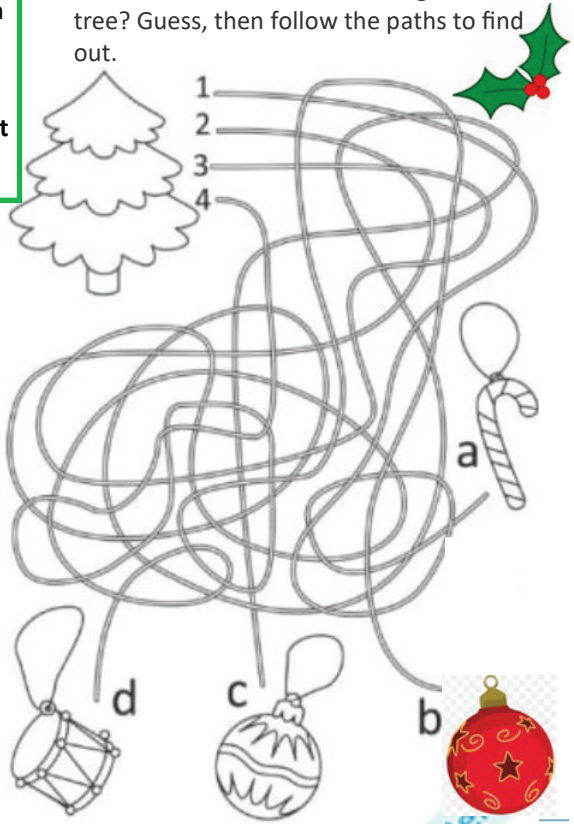
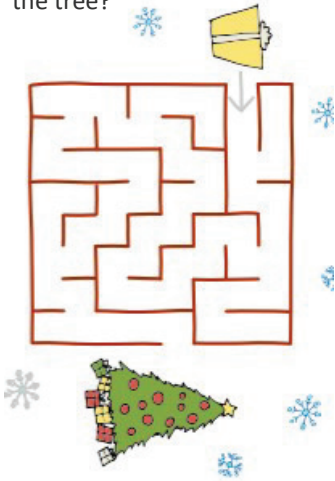


# Come and see the Christmas trees at church !

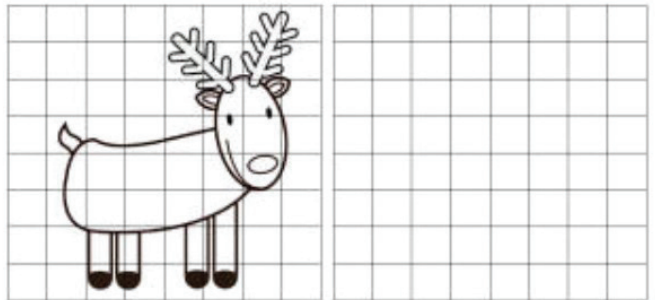
**Did you know?** Because it is green year-round, the evergreen fir tree represents hope. The Christmas tree represents **Jesus and the light he brings to the world**

What order do the decorations go on the tree? Guess, then follow the paths to find out.

How do I get my present under the tree?



Copy the Reindeer



How many triangles can you see in this tree?

Santa Claus needs more than one reindeer to carry all the Christmas presents. Copy the picture carefully using the grid as a guide.

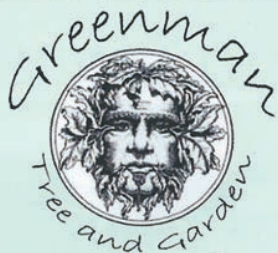


## Hardiman Building Contractors

All general building work undertaken including:  
Roofing, extensions, garages, plastering, brickwork, joinery,  
re-pointing, groundwork and property maintenance.

We also undertake conservation and  
restoration work on listed buildings

Call Sean Hardiman on 01948 770258 or 0789 197 8679



Tree surgery and garden  
maintenance specialists

All hedge cutting work undertaken  
from Privet to Leylandii

NPTC accredited, fully insured.  
No obligation quotes

Call Nick: 07580 866914  
or 01948 830407

Email: [greenmantreeandgarden@gmail.com](mailto:greenmantreeandgarden@gmail.com)

PLEASE MENTION THAT  
YOU ARE  
RESPONDING TO AN AD  
IN THE PARISH NEWS  
WHEN CONTACTING  
ADVERTISERS

## Agricultural, Equestrian & Commercial Insurance

Unit 2a Hampton Industrial Estate | Hampton

Malpas | Cheshire | SY14 8LU

t 01948 820000 m 07803 195712

e [jane@janechewins.co.uk](mailto:jane@janechewins.co.uk)

w [www.janechewins.co.uk](http://www.janechewins.co.uk)

**JANE  
CHEWINS**  
LIMITED

THE ONE STOP SHOP  
FOR ALL YOUR  
INSURANCE NEEDS



# TRIPLE-A



## COMPUTER SERVICES

### ROCKET SHIPS to LAPTOPS

We have you covered from take-off to landing.



**07747 618131**

--- PLEASE CALL US ---

**01829 238239**



TRIPLE A  
COMPUTER SERVICES

TRIPLE A  
COMPUTER SERVICES

## For all your Travel Requirements **MEREDITHS COACHES**

LYDGATE

MALPAS

CHESHIRE. SY14 8DE

**49, 53 57 & 70 Seat Coaches**

**Daily Hires**



**Executive Coaches**

**Coach Holidays**

**Tel: 01948 860405**

## C. R. CLEANING



**CARPETS - ORIENTAL RUGS - UPHOLSTERY - OVENS**

### EXPERTLY CLEANED

-Stain Guard Protector

-Household Cleaning (Spring Cleans)

-Insurance Work (Flood and Smoke Damage)

-Daily Office Cleaning Contracts

**FREE QUOTES AND ADVICE**

**David Nixon**

**Tel: 01948 880 994 / Mob: 07980 635 594**



## Birchdown Auto Services Ltd

*Local & Friendly Service*

**All types of vehicle maintenance & repairs undertaken**

**8.30 am - 5.30 pm Monday - Friday**

Contact: 01948 860335

[birchdown@btinternet.com](mailto:birchdown@btinternet.com)



Peacock Farm Yard

Oldcastle, Malpas SY14 7AE



## Ken's Autos

**Car & Commercial Vehicle Repairs**

### Malpas

**All Makes Of Vehicles Serviced & Repaired**

M.O.T.'S • Car Sales • Brakes •

Tyres • Exhausts

*CRYPTON TUNING & DIANOSTICS*

**Telephone Anytime 01948 860 802**

**Mobile 07814904636**

Free Collection & Delivery \*Competitive Rates

## GARDEN DELIGHT

**Lawn Mowing - hedge trimming  
Garden maintenance/one off tidy  
Lawn/ drive weed treatment  
Fence/shed painting  
Power Washing**



**Peter 07868 230662**

## The Whitchurch Podiatry Practice

7/8 Watergate Arcade, Whitchurch, SY13 1DP

### Emma Coley

BSc(Hons), M. Ch. S., S.R.Ch HPC Reg. Podiaist

General Chiropody, Nail Care, Ingrowing Toenail Surgery, Diabetic Footcare & Advice  
Verruca Treatment, Gait Analysis & Orthosis

Home Visits Available

Enquires Welcome

**Tel. 07976 242 096**

*Give Your Feet A Treat. Call Today*

## Thank you !



Last month I asked contributors to the stewardship fund of St. Oswalds, if your finances allowed you, to make a *one-off* “extra month” payment between now and the year end, to bolster our depleted income in 2021. In 2022, if you can consider any increase in your monthly giving amount that would be hugely appreciated. Many thanks to all who responded.

I also hope that the church is recognised as an important part of the identity of Malps and something that everyone, even non-church-goers, may wish to contribute towards maintaining.

Anyone who feels able to commit any amount of regular giving can set up a Standing Order to **Account Name: ST OSWALDS MALPAS, SORT CODE 55 81 16 and Account Number 08202877**. One-off payments to this account or giving electronically at the church or cheques payable to **ST OSWALDS CHURCH MALPAS** are all gratefully received.

*Liane Smith*, Gift Aid Administrator



## 26th December—Boxing Day Traditions

The name comes from a time when the rich used to box up gifts to give to the poor. Boxing Day was traditionally a day off for servants, and the day when they received a special Christmas box from their masters. The servants would also go home on Boxing Day to give Christmas boxes to their families. I’m sure no-one waits until Boxing Day to open their Christmas gifts these days....

The very BEST of Boxing Day has to be the big *fry-up* of yesterday’s spare roasties, sprouts, with leftover sausages and turkey and the spare gravy, absolutely delicious. How many people hear it said that “it’s better than the Christmas dinner”?!

By the time you have had tea time turkey sandwiches with the last of the stuffing and cranberry sauce you should have got most of the turkey eaten up.

December 26 is also the feast day of Saint Stephen, the first person martyred (by stoning) for defending their Christian faith in AD 36, just 3 years after Jesus’ crucifixion. St Stephen is variously stated to be the patron saint of deacons and stonemasons and of horses, which is why Boxing Day became to be associated with horse racing and hunting. Lots of people take the chance for a post-Christmas-Day-excesses-exercise in the form of a walk or horse-riding. For others the exercise will be a fight through the crowds to get the best of the start of the Christmas sales.

If you are inclined to leave the exercise to the New Year (after those resolutions) your other option is to get to a sports fixture (games at Crewe and Birkenhead on 26th, both KO at 3pm)—or enjoy the coverage on the television with 3 premier league matches over the course of the day starting with Liverpool v Leeds from 12.00.





# Christmas Services 2021

**ADVENT SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER**  
9.30am Rev'd Mike Rogers, followed by coffee

**SUNDAY 5 DECEMBER**  
11am Rev'd Peter Lee

**SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER**  
9.30am Rev'd Chris Samuels, followed by coffee

**THURSDAY 16 DECEMBER**  
4pm Putting Christ back into Christmas  
*With Holy Trinity School, Bickerton*  
*Rev'd Mike Rogers*  
*Nativity, Carols, mulled wine and mince pies*

**SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER**  
11am Venerable Archdeacon Mike Gilbertson, followed by  
coffee and mince pies

**FRIDAY 24 DECEMBER**  
3pm Crib and Christingle Service Rev'd Mike Rogers  
8pm The First Communion of Christmas Rev'd Jane Stephenson



**Holy Trinity Church  
Bickerton**





# D.A.ROBERTS

*Fuels Ltd*



- HEATING OIL & PARAFFIN
- AGRICULTURAL FUELS
- DERV & PETROL
- LUBRICANTS
- ADBLUE ®
- OIL STORAGE TANKS & FITTING (INCLUDING ADBLUE ® TANKS & HOSE KITS)

Tel: 01948 662762 / 663877

Website: [www.darobertsfuels.co.uk](http://www.darobertsfuels.co.uk)

# D.A. ROBERTS

*Garage Ltd*

- MOT'S - CARS, VANS UP TO 3500KG, MOTORCYCLES AND PRIVATE MINIBUSES
- ALL MAKES AND MODELS SERVICED AND REPAIRED
- FREE MOT WITH A FULL SERVICE
- FREE LOCAL COLLECTION AND DELIVERY
- SPECIALISTS IN MOTORHOME MOTS, REPAIRS & SERVICING

Tel: 01948 666527

Website: [www.darobertsgarage.co.uk](http://www.darobertsgarage.co.uk)

Grindley Brook Garage, Whitchurch, Shropshire SY13 4QJ



## Huxley Johnston Ltd

Chartered Certified Accountants  
& Registered Auditors

We offer an approachable, professional, cost effective service to businesses and individuals tailored to your specific needs .Our services include:-

- ❖ Preparation of accounts
- ❖ Statutory audits
- ❖ Tax returns
- ❖ VAT returns and advice
- ❖ Payroll services
- ❖ Sage accounts training
- ❖ Corporation tax returns
- ❖ Capital gains tax planning
- ❖ Inheritance tax planning
- ❖ Company secretarial services
- ❖ Business start ups
- ❖ Advice on accounting systems

For a no obligation meeting contact either Richard Huxley or Diane Johnston on: 01948 822944  
or email [mail@huxleyjohnston.co.uk](mailto:mail@huxleyjohnston.co.uk)

Aqua House, Hampton Heath Industrial Estate, Malpas, Cheshire, SY14 8LY

# AGRITRACK SURFACING SYSTEM

**AGRITRACK is the perfect repair system  
for rural drives, access lanes and tracks**

- Eradicates Potholes
- Withstands all farm traffic
- Unique Reprofiled Formation
- Planning Compliant
- Highly Cost Effective alternative to Tarmac
- Extended Maintenance Warranty

**Over 50 years in Road Construction**

**QUALITY**

**VALUE**

**INTEGRITY**

For further information please contact either:

**James on M: 07831 426001**

**E: [clarkecontractingjames@gmail.com](mailto:clarkecontractingjames@gmail.com)**

**Miles on M: 07967 680856**

**W: [www.clarkecontracting.uk](http://www.clarkecontracting.uk)**

## HARTONIAN

**35 YEARS OF TRADING WITH  
AND SHIPPING TO  
WEST AFRICA & EAST AFRICA**

**Contact: Nick Toosey  
Tel/Fax: 01948 861 176  
Mobile: 07795 203803**

**Members of WABA  
(West African Business Association)**



**THE  
SEWING ROOM**

**01948 861333**

**DOBSON SQUARE, MALPAS  
CHESHIRE SY14 8NP**

### SEWING & ALTERATION SERVICE

Mrs Gillian Valentine - City & Guilds Qualified Seamstress

**OPENING TIMES** Sat 9.30am - 1pm Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm  
Closed Wednesday ALL day

**HANDMADE GIFTS AVAILABLE  
OUT OF HOURS APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE  
CALL OR TELEPHONE FOR FURTHER DETAILS**

## Piano tuning, repairs & restoration

**Andrew Dean**  
(Dip. NTC, CGLI, AVCM)

**01829 261222  
07713 321117  
[andrew@pianodean.co.uk](mailto:andrew@pianodean.co.uk)**



**FIXED FEE  
ONLY QUALIFIED SOLICITORS**

**BOOK YOUR HOME VISIT TODAY  
Call Marta **01244 478 730****



Marta Williamson LLB(Hons)

**Services include:**

- Lasting Powers of Attorney
- Wills & Living Wills

**@mylocalsolicitor**  
**hello@my-local-solicitor.com**  
**www.my-local-solicitor.com**

## Introducing "Lavender and Moss" and Victoria Lister



### ◆ *What made you start your business?*

My business was born following the devastating loss of my daughter Willow. I used to be an Intensive Care Nurse but left nursing when I was diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and was suffering terribly with my mental health. There's a fabulous charity in Oswestry which offers Art Therapy and I was fortunate to have been a part of that. I hadn't realised I was arty till I attended the sessions there. I started to make jewellery and to allow me to buy more beads, I had to start selling it. That was when my little business was born.

### ◆ *Why did you select Malpas for your business?*

Emily and Genevieve, my other two daughters attended Malpas Alport and Bishop Heber High School. Malpas has such a welcoming and friendly community and despite living in Whitchurch I feel so welcomed by everyone and have made so many friends here.

### ◆ *What are you offering for the Festive Season?*

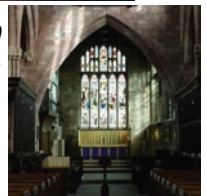
My opening hours for December will be Monday to Sunday 9am till 5pm. I'm having a Charity Shopping Evening on Thursday 2 December - we'll have complimentary Mulled Wine and Shortbread for any customers popping in. There'll also be a raffle to raise funds for Hope House Children's Hospice - they gave us all so much help, we can never thank them enough.

### ◆ *How will relax at the end of the busy period?*

When the Christmas season is over I'm planning on visiting Harry Potter Studios with my husband and daughters - Emily and Genevieve. Then when we get home it's straight back to work, but it doesn't feel like work when I love it so much!



***Did you know St. Oswald's is open every day of the week from 10.00 am to 4pm?*** Any time you feel you want to take time out, grab some quiet contemplation or private prayer, take the opportunity to step in. It's a magnificent Grade 1 listed building offering, literally space, time, quiet, rejuvenation, healing and inspiration. It's your parish church, please feel welcome to make use of it.



## My Hobby—Photography—by Patrick Miles



*Photograph of Padarn, taken by Howard Holden*

I live in Malpas and I am a member of Whitchurch Photographic Society. We have a varied programme of excellent speakers and the first club competition was held at the September meeting. This was an “open” competition which means that there is no specific topic or theme and both printed and digital images could be entered. As we have during recent times only produced Projected Digital Images it did come as a shock to some of us to try and remember some of the skills necessary to produce prints! The above atmospheric picture of Padarn was one of the winning images.

We have a few members from Malpas, but new members would be very welcome. If you might be interested in coming along to any of our sessions as a visitor please visit our website to view the weekly programme. [www.whitchurchphotographicsociety.org.uk](http://www.whitchurchphotographicsociety.org.uk)



*EDITOR'S NOTE—I selected the above image from 6 fabulous options Patrick sent to me. I thought it was stunning. What is your hobby? Let's feature your interests in the 2022 Parish Magazines. Send me some information to :*

*liane.smith@outlook.com before 10th of the month.*



# Beeches Pre-School



Edge Village Hall,  
Edge, Malpas,  
SY14 8LG

We are a community-based pre-school in a wonderful rural setting, accepting children aged 2-5 years for early years care and education, with a play-based, inclusive curriculum in a friendly, safe and secure environment.

**We are open term time 8.30 - 3.30 Monday to Friday, with flexible hours to suit parents, wherever we are able to.**

Our teaching staff are all highly qualified and experienced and our children come from a wide local area. We feed into **all** the local schools.

For further information please contact Sue Anderson on 01948 820775 or 07506 994550, see <https://www.facebook.com/thebeechespreschool> or feel free to call in for a visit at any time.

Inspect our "OUTSTANDING" OFSTED report at [www.reports.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.reports.ofsted.gov.uk)



Nigel and Barbara Burrows are proud of their long established family business founded 1845

Complete Funeral Arrangements

Personal day and night service ~ Private Chapel of Rest in peaceful rural surroundings

Snowdrop Villa, Swanley, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8QB

**Tel: 01270 524243 / 07711468917**

Email: [barb.burrows2@gmail.com](mailto:barb.burrows2@gmail.com)

[www.awburrowsnantwich.co.uk](http://www.awburrowsnantwich.co.uk)





# Focussed on the needs of farmers and land owners

North West and North Wales

- Farms, Land and Property Sales
- Letting Agreements
- Tenancies and Rent Reviews
- Access to Land and Compensation
- Basic Payment Scheme
- Entitlement Trading
- Planning Applications
- Option and Promotion Agreements
- Farm Dispersal Sales
- Business Recovery
- Succession Planning
- Property Finance - AMC Agent



**Rostons**   
LAND & PROPERTY SPECIALISTS

Further information 01829 773000  
[www.rostons.co.uk](http://www.rostons.co.uk)



## mobile tyre fitting specialists



We bring over 30 years of experience in the tyre industry to your home or place of work.

**01948 770557**

**[carl@tyresntubes.co.uk](mailto:carl@tyresntubes.co.uk)**



**[@tyresntubes.co.uk](https://www.facebook.com/tyresntubes.co.uk)**

Fast, convenient and affordable mobile tyre fitting enables us to change your tyres - wherever and whenever - come rain or shine. Our well equipped vans can travel throughout the area, fitting tyres on cars, 4x4s and vans - at your home, work, gym or even supermarket.

Convenience of mobile tyre fitting comes at no extra cost - but with the same competitive pricing strategy.

Tyres n Tubes has always delivered to customers.

## “Ring Out, Wild Bells” by Alfred, Lord Tennyson (from In Memoriam)

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,  
The flying cloud, the frosty light:  
The year is dying in the night;  
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die...

Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
The civic slander and the spite;  
Ring in the love of truth and right,  
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;  
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;  
Ring out the thousand wars of old,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,  
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

A Victorian favourite this time, with calls for a fresh start relevant for both Advent and Christmas, and a welcome to a new year which will transcend the past.

Kate Hobson



*St Oswald's bells*

## A New Year Carol

This British folk song of Welsh origin traditionally sung at New Year celebrations was set by Benjamin Britten. His simple composition brings out the lovely lilt of the folk song. Try youtube for several recordings e.g. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DOFRZ9CQ8-w>

Here we bring new water from the well so clear,  
For to worship God with, this happy New Year.

Chorus (after each verse):

Sing levy-dew, sing levy-dew, the water and the wine,  
The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her toe;  
Open you the West Door and turn the Old Year go.

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her chin;  
Open you the East Door and let the New Year in.



Should old acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind?  
Should old acquaintance be forgot, for the sake of old lang syne?

For auld lang syne, my dear, for auld lang syne,  
we'll take a cup of kindness yet, for the sake of auld lang syne.

## New Year's Resolutions 2022



- 1) I resolve to stick to my New Year's resolutions beyond January 31st.
- 2) In fact I'm going to give it a good go at sticking to them to the end of March.
- 3) And if I manage that I might try a bit longer, perhaps to June
- 4) I'm not going to make any rash resolutions that are impossible to keep up.
- 5) I'm going to avoid resolutions I can't easily check and measure.
- 6) I'm not going to have too many resolutions as it all gets too difficult.
- 7) I'm not going to try last year's resolutions as that was a disaster.
- 8) I'm not going to mention this one to anyone, so it'll definitely be achieved.
- 9) Only 2 more to go now, so I'll make this one really count. That's done then!
- 10) And my last resolution is to do this again next year.

..... Sorted.... Success guaranteed....A good start to a happy year ahead!

## Epiphany— 6th January

Epiphany, also known as "Three Kings Day" and "Twelfth Day," is commemorated on January 6 remembering the visit of the three Kings to Jesus in Bethlehem. The three gifts had a spiritual meaning: gold as a symbol of kingship on earth, frankincense (an incense) as a symbol of deity, and myrrh (an embalming oil) as a symbol of death. In other countries Epiphany celebrations are sometimes just as important as Christmas, with gifts exchanged on Epiphany instead of Christmas, or on both holidays. **On Thursday 6th January, St Oswald's choir will be singing the Epiphany Eucharist at 5.30pm in Chester Cathedral.** The form of the service will be the Book of Common Prayer. The choir will be conducted by Stewart Smith and the organist will be Henry Smith. - All are welcome, do let others know about it.



## Malpas Walking for Health Scheme

Walking is the closest thing to perfect exercise – it's a free, sociable, easy activity. The **Malpas Walking for Health Scheme** offers a simple, local and free way to get more active. The Scheme is supported and accredited by the Ramblers and Cheshire West and Chester Council. The aims of our health walks are to help people discover the joys and health benefits of walking.

The **Malpas Walking for Health** routes usually take us on well used footpaths around the village and into local countryside. The walks last from half to three quarters of an hour (on Tuesdays) or one to one and a half hours (on Thursdays). The walks comply with the current Covid-19 regulations and these will be provided before setting off for the walk. We return to the High Street Church for refreshments after the walk.

### Tuesday Dates for 2022:

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> January

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> May

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> June

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July

### Thursday Dates for 2022:

Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> January

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> February

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> March

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> July



*All walks start from the High Street Church at 10:15a.m. New walkers are asked to complete a short health questionnaire before their first health walk.*

**Sorry..... dogs are not allowed on these walks.**

Contacts for further information: Sue Norwood ☎ 01948 861 101

Wendy Gilpin ☎ 01829 250 413





# Malpas Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

## 2nd June to 5th June 2022



In 2022, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee (seventy years of service) having acceded to the throne on 6th February 1952. National celebrations are scheduled to take place between the 2nd and 5th June 2022, and Malpas Community Links is starting to plan for Malpas to join in with some of those celebrations.

Ideas for events so far are:

A Fair on the Recreation Ground

Performances of celebration plays and entertainment

Exhibition in the High Street Church of the changes in life seen since 1952.

A town trail of discovery

T Dance

Beacon lighting on Castle Hill

Service of Thanksgiving for the Queen's reign

Planting of a Platinum Celebration Tree

Choir Concert in St Oswald's Church

Ringling of Church Bells

Village celebration parade with dressed floats, vintage vehicles and horses

Dog show

Local Organisation / club stalls gathering

Evening musical entertainment

Televised national concert.

Fireworks

Big Jubilee Lunch

If you would like to help with one of the above events, or have your own ideas on an event that could be included in the programme over the 4 days of celebration then E-mail [editor@malpascheshire.org](mailto:editor@malpascheshire.org) or telephone 01948 860333



### Do you love singing?

The Choir of St Oswald's Church is currently recruiting all voice parts. If you are interested just come along to the Church on a rehearsal night at 6.45 on a Thursday and give it a go!! Or if you would like to know more, please contact the Director of Music - Stewart Smith 07745422204



- SUPERIOR COMPOUNDS
- HIGH PERFORMANCE DAIRY NUTRITION
- HUGE VARIETY OF INGREDIENTS
- UNIQUE & EXTENSIVE BLENDS RANGE
- SPECIALIST SHEEP FEEDS & YOUNGSTOCK DIETS

*Farm, Smallholder & Pet Feeds on sale at Aston Cash Sales and Bernard Corbett's.*

HJ Lea Oakes Ltd., Aston Mill, Aston, Nr. Nantwich, Cheshire. CW5 8DH.

T: 01270 782222    [www.hjlea.com](http://www.hjlea.com)



WILD  
MOSS



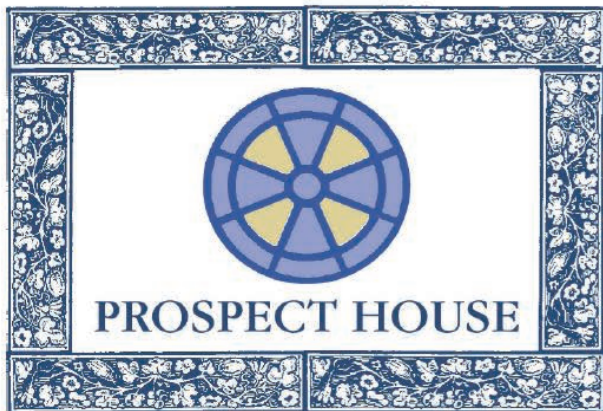
A fabulous new shop  
Located in the  
heart of Malpas village

**INTERIORS – GIFTS - JEWELLERY  
HOME FRAGRANCES - CARDS**

OFFICIAL SUPPLIER OF  
LOVELY THINGS  


GIFT VOUCHERS AVAILABLE

CHESTER ROAD, MALPAS, SY14 8HT  
07847577254  
[www.lavenderandmoss@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:www.lavenderandmoss@hotmail.co.uk)



# **Are you going on holiday? Or just need a break? “We are here to help”**

- **Day Care**
- **Respite Care**
- **Holiday Breaks**

**Nursing Care • Intermediate Care • Dementia Care  
• Rehabilitation Care • NHS Continuing Care**



**Established  
For over 25 Years**



**Prospect House  
High Street, Malpas SY14 8NR  
01948 860011**

For more information visit: [www.prospecthousemalpas.co.uk](http://www.prospecthousemalpas.co.uk)

*Family owned*

# BARLOWS

Established by T.C. Barlow in 1948

Proud to be serving Malpas and the surrounding areas for 70 years.

Telephone

01948 820200

Electrical Installations

Electrical Inspection & Testing

Security Alarms

CCTV

Fire Alarms & Access Control

Electric Vehicle Charging Points

TV Aerials

Domestic Appliance Repairs

Television and Smart Phone Repairs

Plumbing & Heating Services

Property Maintenance

[www.barlowsuk.co.uk](http://www.barlowsuk.co.uk)

