



ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE CHURCH CALENDAR - JANUARY 2020 AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in the-HEDGES-STEANE

Sunday: 5th Aynho Holy Communion – 11.0am

Epiphany (Sidespersons: Mrs Wade. Mrs.Chong)

Farthinghoe: Said Communion 9.30am Hinton: Morning Worship 11,00am

Evenley: NO Taize

Sunday: 12th Aynho Morning Worship (Lay Led) 11.0am

Baptism of Christ (Sidespersons: Mrs.Pusey Mrs.White)

Croughton: 9.30am Holy Communion Farthinghoe 10.0am Family Service Evenley: 11.0am Holt Communon

Sunday: 19th Benefice Communion at Hinton 10.0am

Epiphany 2 (Sock Sunday!!)

please bring pair of new socks for The Hope Centre, Northampton

Sunday: 26th Aynho Holy Communion 11.0am

Epiphany 3 (Sidespersons: Mr.Bellamy Mr.Sutton)

Croughton & Evenley 9.30 Family Services Hinton H.C. 11.0am Farthinghoe 6.0pm E.Prayer

Morning Prayer Tuesdays 8.30am in Aynho Church 6th **Morning Bible Study Monday** 10.30am 1, The Bothy. 16th 9.45am **Church Cleaning Thursday** onwards 16th **Thursday** 2.30pm 16 The Butts **Prayer Group** 20th **Home Communion Monday** 11.00am 16 The Butts

Church Wardens Meeting Tuesday 21st 6.30pm Aynho Church Vestry.

Bell Ringing at Aynho the 3rd Tuesday of each month 7.30-9.00pm

Evenley 1st Kings Sutton 2nd & 4th Croughton 5th

Information about the life of Aynho church -

enquiries from: **Rev.Sue Cooper** – revsue.cooper@gmail.com Tel: 01869 – 810903

or **Church Warden** - Graham Gibbs 01869 819727

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Pastoral Letter January 2020

Revd Sue Cooper writes:

Happy New year to you all. I hope your Christmas was very enjoyable. Every year I speak to people who lament the speed with which Christmas day comes and goes. Blink and you almost miss it. This is a great shame as we all go to great lengths to make Christmas a special time. Some folk have told me that it would be good to observe 12 days of Christmas as is sung about in the carol. In olden times this was customary, and the Christmas festivities would begin on Christmas day and continue for twelve days, finishing on the twelfth night on 6th January. This sounds like a good idea to me.

In the Church seasonal cycle we will be celebrating the Epiphany in Church on Sunday the 5th January. It is the time we remember when the Three Wise Men travelled from a far off land in the East to offer their gifts to the New King, whose star they had seen appear in the sky, and which they were following. Epiphany means, appearing or revealing, and that star led them to Jesus.

Everything about Jesus was unexpected and unfathomable, which is why many of his own people did not recognise him or accept him as their king and Saviour. Jesus was a joke to many people of his day, and someone to be sneered at and disregarded. Over 2000 years later we are still celebrating the birth of Jesus at Christmas and the revealing of who Jesus is, at Epiphany. The question is, do we, like the wise men, recognise and accept him as God's son, or like some of the people of his own day, do we overlook him because we think belief in Jesus, or God, is a joke and irrational, and something to disregard.

There are millions of believers worldwide who have had an Epiphany moment when they came to believe that Jesus is not just some good man from the pages of history, who is enshrined in myth and legend; but that he is in fact, who the wise men knew him to be; God's own son, a King, who was sent to earth, to bring peace, love and hope to all mankind.

We are not just beginning a new year, but a new decade. The years come and go and pass by so quickly, and we can get so busy with the stuff of life that we don't give God any thought at all. This year, if you have not already done so, why not open your heart and mind to the possibility that there is a God, and that he loves you!

Wishing you all a very happy and blessed new year.

With love Rev Sue.



WINTER LUNCH CLUB

January 2020 dates for Winter Lunch Club:

Thursdays: 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th

Time: 12.15pm-1.30pm

Where: Village Hall



No 'club' membership needed, come and join us for a home-cooked meal at very reasonable prices in the warmth of the village hall. This year all profits, after hall hire and ingredients, will be donated to the Village Hall, St Michael's Church (specifically towards the cost of relining the velvet curtains), Katherine House Hospice and Dementia Active.

We look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Amanda

Advanced Notice

AYNHO QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT

Aynho Village Hall

Saturday 14th March 2020. 7.30pm

Doors Open 7.00pm

Licensed Bar

Maximum of 4 in a team. £12 per person – price includes Meal & Quiz entry.

Tickets available from: Michael Johnson, 27, Blacksmith Hill

Mjohnson.deepdale@gmail.com 01869 811175

All proceeds towards Aynho Active.



Used Postage Stamps for Katharine House Hospice –

Please take to Mrs Marlene Phillips at No.10 Portway Gardens or to the Winter Lunch Club on a Thursday.

All for your Entertainment in our Village Hall

ARMS (Aynho Recorded Music Society)

1st Wednesday 7.30pm

Douglas never fails to surprise with a program the first half of which ranged from Shostakovich 'Piano Concerto No 2' followed immediately by his 'Lyric Waltz'. Haydn's' Cello Concerto' a Horn Concerto' by Ries, to Irving Berlin's 'White Christmas' which closed this first half.

During the interval a presentation was made to Doris in recognition of her continued sterling service in ensuring that all programs go smoothly. The second half was an amazing DVD of Chopin's 'Piano Concerto No 1' with some incredible piano playing by Tzimon Barto, the finger work was unbelievable.

An excellent presentation and many thanks to all those who provided Christmas fare.

There is no ARMs in January and February will be presented by Keith Morgan

Contact Bob Mann 01869 810264

AYNHO GARDENING CLUB -

2nd Wednesday 8th January 7.30pm

At our first event of 2020 - Richard Preston will be giving us a talk about the "Primrose Garden of Steeple Aston". We will be visiting the garden in July. The talk will start at 7.30pm and we will be ready to re-new your Annual Membership (£10) prior to the talk.

With best wishes for the New Year

Annabel Bellamy 01869 810847

AYNHO WI 7.30pm

We do hope all readers had a very happy and meaningful Christmas and are now ready to welcome in 2020. Before we go any further we are happy to report on a splendid Christmas buffet attended by members, their families and guests at The Cartwright Hotel on the 6th December. Not our usual evening in the Village Hall, but as always a thoroughly splendid and enjoyable time. Our thanks to Caroline and her team for putting on such an excellent 'spread'.

3rd Wednesday 15th January



Our initial business for the first meeting of the year is the renewal of WI memberships, and the new 2020 programme will be available; but also all are reminded that there will be a raffle (£1 per ticket with proceeds to charity) for the wine and chocolates, donated by Waitrose after their visit to us last November - I know we are all full but there's always room for more! The evening will continue with a talk by a local team representing Age Concern, giving us all the details of how this organisation is run. So let us look to a Happy New Year and look forward to meeting up again.

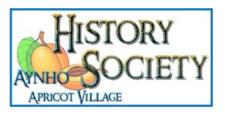
Contact: Mrs B Watkins 01869 811152

WRITERS GROUP

Saturday January 11th 10.0am—12.30

Monthly meeting

Contact: Keith McClellan 810346



Last Wednesday of the month January 29th 7.30pm

In Keith's absence Peter Cole will give an updated talk on the Canal system, with special reference to the Oxford Canal, and with many photos not seen before about his former narrowboat and his Barrow Boat.

Any queries to: **Peter Cole 01869 811261** or **Keith McClellan 01869 810346**

LINE DANCING - Mondays at 2.0pm... Re-start January 6th

AYNHO SHORT MAY BOWLS CLUB - Tuesdays 2.30—4.30pm

Contact Douglas Ward 01869 810723

DEMENTIA ACTIVITIES – Fridays – from 11.0am—3.0pm in the Hall.

Do come and join us - £5 donation at the door.

Contact: dementactive@gmail.com www.dementiactive.co.uk

Adderbury Deddington & District Photographic Society – January 8th

in The Apricot Room, Cartwright Hotel. 7.30pm.

Member Andreas Klatt ARPS will talk on the RPS distinctions process. The January photo topic is: your three favourite images of 2019. There will also be a table-top sale, to donate any old/unwanted camera gear, books, etc., with the proceeds going to **Katharine House Hospice** in memory of John Prentice.

Contact: wmeagher@gmail.com

Knit & Stitch –. Come and join us. Tuesdays 2.0 - 4.0pm, with "cuppa" included, at 2 Portway Gardens.

Contact: Glenwys 01869 810880



Want to walk off the "Xmas Goodies"? – Then join us on our Thursday Health Walks 10.0am from the Sports Pavilion – any length to suit you – all with trained leaders.

Don't forget there will still be a walk before the Anniversary Lunch booked for **Thursday 9**th **January.**

Contact: Kathy White 810418 or kathywhiteaynho@gmail.com

FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL.....

2020 The Council hope that residents of the Parish have had an enjoyable Christmas and Best Wishes for 2020.

Aynho Village Hall

The Village Hall is a valuable and much-used resource for our village and is run as a Charity with Aynho Parish Council as a Trustee. We would like to recruit one or two more local residents onto the committee to help manage the facility and become involved in local events that take place there. We will be interviewing prospective volunteers in January so if you would like to put your name forward please contact Councillor Anderson (andy.anderson@aynho.org) or the clerk@aynho.org

Park Club Draw

Be a winner in 2020 - collectors will be out to get subscriptions (£12) for the draw, if you currently pay online or by standing order please make sure your payment goes OK. The monthly draw amount is split between the winner and Aynho Active who run the recreation ground and pavilion. So, two winners! Email active@aynho.org with your details and set it

up online with these details:



Lloyds Bank PLC, Aynho Park Club, Sort Code 30-11-08 Account No: 00467143

Planning Applications:

S/2019/2344/FUL: Aynhoe Park House, Aynho OX17 3BQ.

Change of use to include provision for the use of the floor space as a retail gallery space with integrated hospitality (including a dedicated restaurant, cafe, pantry and coffee bar) and design services (including interior, architecture and landscape) (Mixed Use of A1, A3, A4, B1 and D1) (Sui Generis) in addition to the established use as an event space and private residence (Mixed Use of D2 and C3) (Sui Generis).

S/2019/2372/TCA: Land South of Blacksmiths Hill and Hollow Way, Aynho.

Robinia (T1) - Reduction of the south side of crown by approximately 2.5 metres and crown lifting above any property creating 2.5 metres of clearance Ash (T2) - re-pollard Ash (T3) - re-pollard.

Applications can be searched on South Northants planning register http://snc.planning-register.co.uk/, close neighbours will be consulted direct from SNC planning department or look out for the 'Site Notice' displayed on the street.

The next scheduled council meeting is to be held at the Village Hall on Monday 3rd February 2020 at 7:30pm.

Contact details

Chris Wilson is the Parish Clerk and can be contacted on email clerk@aynho.org or phone on 07887548774 or you can find us on the website www.aynho.org and Twitter.

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