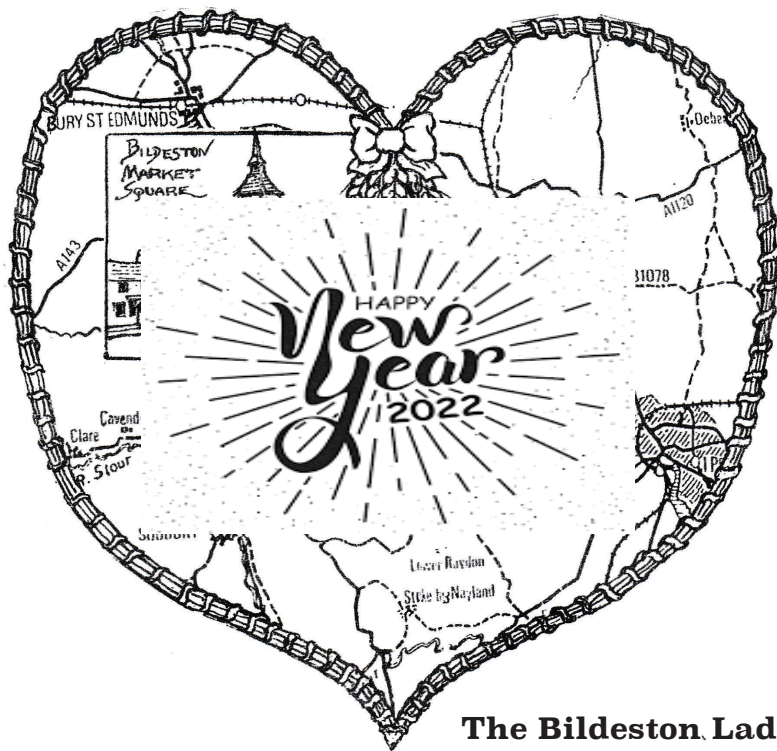


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ED'S COMMENT

A very happy New Year to you all and good luck for 2022. Who knows, someone in the village might have the biggest slice of luck and win the lottery in 2022. Why suggest this? Because in January in 1569 the first ever lottery ticket winners were announced in England. Who knew the lottery was that old, that the Tudors were the first to try their luck and win a fortune over 600 years ago!

Elizabeth 1 wanted to invest more money in the country's ships, ports and harbours. The problem was, how to pay for it. Elizabeth looked to her Principal Secretary of State, Sir William Cecil. Fortunately, his genius lay in dreaming up innovative ways of raising money for the state. Already, in order to pay German mining experts to work in the Lake District, he had introduced the revolutionary idea of a one penny tax on each household, the so-called 'Peter's Pence.'

He looked overseas for inspiration across the North Sea. English merchants trading there reported that cities such as Ghent, Utrecht, Antwerp and Bruges had developed a particularly clever method of raising public revenues for building fortifications and other municipal projects: a lottery. In 1566, Queen Elizabeth with Sir William Cecil, planned a similar idea to raise funds, whilst managing not to raise taxes. The State would sell tickets to nobles for their chance to win all manner of things that matched the value of the revenue it generated. Winning tickets would then be drawn three years later, securing herself a 3 year interest-free loan.

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The lottery was not a success. Despite everything, it sold fewer than 34,000 tickets instead of the 400,000 originally planned and raised less than £5,000 instead of the £100,000 hoped for. No-one seems to have won very much. Just as in Tudor times with all the horrible diseases around, staying healthy and happy is as good, if not better, than winning the lottery. Look forward to that in 2022!

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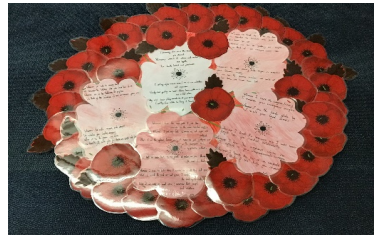
North, East, South and West

Robin Class can give directions using north, east, south and west. They made routes on the playground giving directions for their friends to follow. They also practised using compasses.

Remembrance Sunday

Our KS2 children produced poems of remembrance and used some of them to

create a wreath that was laid at the war memorial in the market square on Sunday.



U11 Football

Pupils from KS2 enjoyed a Football event at Whitton Sports Centre where they came a respectable fourth place amidst teams from across Suffolk. A fair play award was given to one of our players! Well done all!

Tuesday Teacher Led Club

Children building bridges to span a river in construction club with Mrs Simmons. The children are really enjoying these sessions which range from Lego building, Multi-Cultural activities and food tasting to Creative Writing.



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Thursdays	10.30 am	Zumba Gold with Joanna Brown
Thursdays	9.30 -11.30am	Sam's Fitness
Thursdays	7.00pm	Badminton
Fridays	11am	Pilates for Improvers (call Claire: 07900 440141)
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Fridays	6.30 -11.00pm	Social evening
Saturday 8th	5.30pm	Bingo

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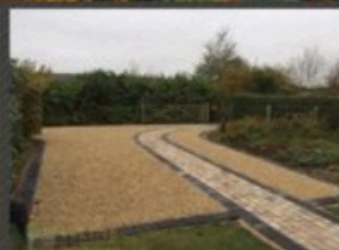
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We currently need volunteers to assist our Coordinator Charlotte at our Bildeston and Wattisham Family Groups, which are run for children aged 0–5 years old and their parents/carers. The Bildeston group runs on Tuesdays from 10am to 12pm, and the Wattisham group runs on Thursdays between 1pm and 3pm.

You'll be helping Charlotte set up and deliver a range of activities - you could be chatting to mums, sharing books/toys/games with children, or enjoying outside activities such as a treasure hunts, hide and seek or building a den. Activities are constantly changing, so no two weeks are the same. This is a great opportunity to support young families in your community, meet new people and gain new skills.

Our half-day on-line training session takes place via Zoom call.

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Time has definitely had a strange feel to it over the last couple of years and we have all been through unsettling experiences and now here we are, at the start of yet another uncertain year. As I write this, we are waiting to see what the impact of the new Omicron Covid variant may be. I hope that now, in January, you are able to look back at a proper Christmas spent with family and friends.



Unfortunately, we were let down at the last minute by our caterer and so were unable to enjoy our planned Ladies Christmas meal. Hold on to those Secret Santa presents that you had wrapped and ready - we will be sharing them at our meeting in February!

On behalf of all of us in Ladies Club, I wish everyone all the best for 2022. It is the Golden Anniversary year of our club and we hope to be able to celebrate in style during the summer months.



Chairlady - Jo Silburn - 01449 257045

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED!

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NEW COVID BOOSTER TARGET

COVID-19 remains a serious health risk, especially with the Omicron variant. The alert level has been raised and the target to provide all adults with a booster vaccination brought forward to the end of December.

You should stay careful to help protect yourself and others and:

- Let fresh air in if you meet indoors. Meeting outdoors is safer
- You must wear a face covering in shops and on all public transport
- Get tested and self-isolate if required
- If you haven't already, get vaccinated
- People aged over 30 can already book an appointment in advance using the online service from 2 months after their second dose
- **People aged over 18 can now get a booster as long as it has been 3 months since their second dose.** Book your vaccination appointment online or find a walk-in clinic. The NHS will contact you when you are eligible to book your booster dose. Many local pharmacies are offering vaccinations.

Residents across Suffolk and North-East Essex no longer have to wait to receive an invitation from the NHS to have their Covid-19 booster vaccination. Anyone in an eligible group who had their 2nd dose of COVID-19 vaccine six, or even three, months ago can go to a walk-in, no-appointment clinic for a booster vaccination.

book via the national NHS website or call 119.

Previously, people had to wait to receive a letter or text from the NHS saying they were eligible. The number of locations where people can have their booster vaccination has also been increased, including many local pharmacies now offering booked appointments, in addition to around 60 walk-in clinics which are taking place locally over the coming weeks.

People are eligible for a booster after receiving their 2nd dose including frontline volunteers and health and social care staff, people with severely weakened immune systems and their resident household contacts and those aged under 50 with an underlying health condition.

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* Chair Based Exercise Class – 45 mins – Zoom Weekly Monday 2.30pm. Contact Jill.mason@acleisure.com for further information.

* Chair Based Exercise General Class (not Together Tuesday)- 1 hour- Hadleigh Pool and Leisure- Tuesday 11.45am. Book through Abbeycroft Leisure Website; Hadleigh Pool and Leisure | Abbeycroft Leisure (acleisure.com) or visit in person at the centre to book. At present people can just turn up.

* Together Tuesday Activity Group- 2 hours- Hadleigh Pool and Leisure- Tuesdays 2pm-4pm- book through Abbeycroft Leisure Website; Hadleigh Pool and Leisure | Abbeycroft Leisure (acleisure.com) or visit in person at the centre to book. At present people can just turn up.

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If you want to find out more about Heating Bildeston and get involved in this innovative project, contact:

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THE KRAY'S CONNECTION WITH BILDESTON

It's Sunday, 1st, September, 1940 5.30am. Seven-year-old twin boys stand in a crowd being watched closely by their mother, Violet and an older boy. Never ending lines of children fill the platforms, gas masks hanging by their waists, white name labels attached to coats. On board the train the conductor announces their destination, Ipswich. They arrived and were finally told they have been billeted to Hadleigh.

After a short walk they were shown into a red brick mansion and introduced to Dr and Mrs Styles. Amazed by the inside bathroom with hot running water even the boys were silent but not for long.

In 1940, Violet and all three boys were evacuated to Hadleigh, Suffolk where despite Mrs Styles' best efforts they refused to be educated and would not learn to read. A glimpse of the violence in their character was shown when they killed Dr Styles' Cockerel for fun. Despite this they had fond memories of Suffolk and sledging down constitution hill, fighting the locals, apple scrumping and spending hours with Charlie (when he was not working in the chippy) as he coached them in boxing. After a year in the country Violet missing her friends and family took the boys back to Vallance Road. They were devastated and never forgot their love for Suffolk and its locals where they were treated so well without fear or malice as was the case when they were older.

In 1948, Reggie won the Hackney school boys boxing championship, The London school boy and the London juniors titles. The following year he was arrested and charged with GBH but the charges did not stick.

In 1951, the boys were called up for national service and following in their fathers' footsteps they were not going quietly. When they arrived to "sign up" Ronnie punched the Corporal who attempted to stop them leaving! As a result, they became the last prisoners in the Tower of London. This marked the beginning of all three boy's arrests, charges and convictions, spending time in prisons all over the United Kingdom. Amusingly (as Ronnie was not great at doing time) Reggie would go to prison and serve his brothers sentence for him! By 1957, the boys had built an empire called the firm from their snooker club in Bethnal Green taking part in organised criminal activities in London. The Krays owned many of the top clubs in London and rubbed shoulders with all the celebrities of the times, such as Diana Dors and Judy Garland. Reggie even dated Barbara Windsor and Ronnie had a relationship with Lord Boothby.

During all this time Ronnie's behaviour became more of a concern to the family. He had mood swings, would refuse to eat, shave only one side of his face and went from sitting completely still for hours to violent frenzies. Worryingly he was not the first in the family with mental health problems and later in life he was officially diagnosed with Schizophrenia.

At the Krays peak in 1965, Reggie married Frances O'Shea at St James Church in Bethnal Green. Her family were against the match and her mother wore all black at the wedding. On 9th, March, 1966 Ronnie shot George Cornell in the Blind Beggar, a member of the rival gang The Richardson's. Things were getting out of hand with Ronnie's mental health.

Continuing with their love for Suffolk the boys bought Violet a pink house next to the post office in Bideston and the Brooks close by for them, The locals tell tales of them giving children donkey rides and giving out money for ice creams.

Reggie stabbed Jack the hat Mc Vitie in the stomach. Knowing they had limited time as free men they fled to Suffolk to hide at Bill Whyman's new home, Gedding Hall close to Bury St Edmunds and their home in the Brooks. They were arrested in May 1968 and convicted of murder and jailed for life. Violet Kray died of a heart attack 4th August, 1982 in her Bunhill Row flat, Shoreditch. On the 11th August crowds collected outside the flat with wreaths being laid in front. Charles snr died 7 months later they were married over 50 years. Both are buried at Chingford Mount burial ground. Both the boys were allowed to attend their mother's funeral service but not the burial. Ronnie died at Broadmoor hospital in 1995 and Reggie released on compassionate grounds died of cancer 6 weeks later in 2000 both are buried with Francis all the family close to each other. Written by Abi Pullen-Game of Past Origins on Facebook.



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with thanks to Alison

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170g plain flour
85g unsalted butter
1 medium egg
Pinch of sea salt

For the filling

1 leek sliced
2 tbsp olive oil
30g chopped flat parsley
125g cold smoked haddock or pollock
100g grated mature cheddar cheese
3 medium eggs
200g double cream



Method

1. For the pastry, chop the butter and rub into the flour until breadcrumb like consistency, add the egg and a little cold water to bring it together into a smooth dough.
2. Knead for 45 seconds and form into a disc and chill in the fridge for 1 hour. Meanwhile grease and flour a 20cm wide and 3 cm deep tart tin.
3. Preheat the oven 180C, 160 fan, gas mark 4. Remove the pastry from fridge. Flour the work surface and roll out the pastry to 3-4mm thick. Line the tin leaving an overhang of 2cms. Line this with greaseproof paper and beans and bake blind for 30 mins.
4. Remove from oven and take out the beans and greaseproof. Trim the pastry and return to the oven for 10-15 mins more.
5. Once the pastry is dry in appearance, remove from oven and brush with egg wash then return for 2-3 mins
6. For the filling, remove the skin from the fish and cut into 1cm cubes. Place the leeks in a saucepan with the oil and cook on a medium heat. Once softened remove from heat, add the parsley and fish then the cheese. Mix together and pour into the tart case.
7. In a bowl, beat the eggs and cream together then pour this mixture on top.
8. Return tart to oven for 20-25 mins until cooked.
9. Serve warm or cold.

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The first step is to contact your landlord again, in writing. Include photographs of the problems. Keep a record of all communications and evidence relating to the disrepair.

If that doesn't prompt any action, the advisers at Citizens Advice can help with next steps. These could include contacting your local council (who will have dedicated officers for dealing with disrepair in private rented properties) or asking for a visit by the environmental health team.

Tenants can take their landlords to court to force them to carry out repairs. However, it's worth getting some advice and thinking carefully before embarking on this route.

Citizens Advice Mid Suffolk can provide advice on this or any other issue, including debt, employment, benefits and family law. You can contact them on 01449 676060 or use the contact form at midsuffolcab.org.uk/contact-us. For more information and our opening hours go to midsuffolcab.org.uk.

BILDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes for the Parish Council meeting held in December are not available as the Bugle went to print before they were authorised.

They will be printed in the next issue.



BILDESTON PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

The Parish Council is made up of nine elected or co-opted members who volunteer their time for the good of the community without receiving payment for their services. Their diverse backgrounds, skills and experience are a great asset to the parish.

The role of the Parish Council is to represent the interests of the whole community, engaging with local residents, discovering the needs of different groups in the community, such as the young and elderly, and lobbying on behalf of Bildeston. The Parish Council is the tier of local government that is closest to local people. Babergh District Council and Suffolk County Council form the other two tiers of local government that cover Bildeston. Details of their respective roles and responsibilities can be found in the Council services section of the website www.bildeston.org.uk Parish Councillors are subject to re-election every four years unless there are the same number (or less) of Councillors to vacancies in which case those nominees will be co-opted on to the Council. All Members of the Parish Council are required to comply with a Code of Conduct in the performance of their duties. If you have any questions, or think you would like to join the Parish Council please contact the Clerk on clerk@bildeston.suffolk.org.uk or 07593 584209. Angela Chapman Clerk to Bildeston Parish Council

Babergh District Council

Christmas & New Year Waste Collection Schedule 2021/22

	Usual Collection Date	Revised Collection Date	Change
Recycling	Monday 27th December 2021	Wednesday 29th December 2021	2 days later
	Tuesday 28th December 2021	Thursday 30th December 2021	2 days later
	Wednesday 29th December 2021	Friday 31st December 2021	2 days later
	Thursday 30th December 2021	Tuesday 4th January 2022	5 days later
	Friday 31st December 2021	Wednesday 5th January 2022	5 days later
Refuse	Monday 3rd January 2022	Thursday 6th January 2022	3 days later
	Tuesday 4th January 2022	Friday 7th January 2022	3 days later
	Wednesday 5th January 2022	Saturday 8th January 2022	3 days later
	Thursday 6th January 2022	Monday 10th January 2022	4 days later
	Friday 7th January 2022	Tuesday 11th January 2022	4 days later
Recycling	Monday 10th January 2022	Wednesday 12th January 2022	2 days later
	Tuesday 11th January 2022	Thursday 13th January 2022	2 days later
	Wednesday 12th January 2022	Friday 14th January 2022	2 days later
	Thursday 13th January 2022	Saturday 15th January 2022	2 days later
	Friday 14th January 2022	Monday 17th January 2022	3 days later
Refuse	Monday 17th January 2022	Tuesday 18th January 2022	1 day later
	Tuesday 18th January 2022	Wednesday 19th January 2022	1 day later
	Wednesday 19th January 2022	Thursday 20th January 2022	1 day later
	Thursday 20th January 2022	Friday 21st January 2022	1 day later
	Friday 21st January 2022	Saturday 22nd January 2022	1 day later

From Monday 24th January 2022 refuse and recycling collections return to the normal schedule.

Please note: There will be no garden waste (brown bin) collections during the weeks commencing 27th December 2021 and 3rd January 2022. Please refer to the garden waste collection schedule, which is available at: www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services

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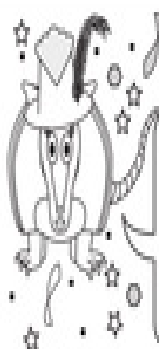
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Happy New Year, Everyone!

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I really like the New Year celebration. It comes around and gives me a new chance **every** year to do a little better or start doing something in a new way.

What do you know about the celebration of the new year? Read these clues to help you fill in this New Year puzzle:



A happy, healthy New Year to you and your family.



1. In Ancient Rome, the new year started in _____ because the month of January did not exist yet
2. to represent the birth of a New Year we use a newborn _____ dressed in a top hat and a sash
3. by the end of the year the child grows into a wrinkled _____
4. _____ time is used to represent the passage of years; he usually carries an hourglass
5. to celebrate the new year many people gather to eat, drink and dance at a _____; the biggest is in New York City in Times Square
6. _____ light up the sky in celebration; they can be seen behind the Statue of Liberty, the Eiffel Tower and the Forbidden City in China
7. the new year officially begins when the clock strikes _____
8. everyone's favorite New Year's _____ is "Auld Lang Syne," which means 'old long since'
9. after the parties of New Year's eve, many people relax by watching the big _____ game, "The Rose Bowl"
10. after the game people line the streets to watch the "Rose _____," which takes place in California
11. friends wish each other a happy, _____ New Year
12. people use the start of a new year as a way to better themselves through New Year's _____

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HEATHER FRIPP

It is with great sadness that we have heard that Heather Fripp has passed away. Heather and her husband Sam were part of the church family at St. Mary Magdalene church, in Bildeston. Jane Fletcher, a neighbour of Heather's, became friends with Heather and here are some of her memories about Heather,

'When we arrived in Manor Road in July 97 we were greeted, with the warmest of handshakes and offers of help by Heather as we settled back into Suffolk after 30 years away in Scotland and Dubai. Heather became a good friend and from time-to-time shared memories of her life in Kenya. I am still using the shopping bag she brought back from her last trip as a thank you for feeding George their cat.

We maintained contact when she and Sam moved to be nearer family and I know she looked back on her life in Bildeston with great pleasure.'

Jane Fletcher

Heather was the PCC secretary when I moved to Bildeston and became a member of the church. I took over as secretary when she stepped down some years later. Heather and Sam were instrumental in helping with many things within church life and were greatly missed when they moved away to be closer to their family.

Teresa Lester

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Rachel will join us at our Easter Fair in Long Melford on Sunday 3rd April, Covid restrictions permitting. Unwanted Christmas presents gladly received, to sell or use as Raffle prizes. Please leave donations at SESA, clearly marked "For Easter Fair" or phone to arrange collection.

We welcome enquires from anyone looking for a new four legged friend. If you can bring some magic into a difficult dog's life, please leave a phone message or email. Meanwhile it's dinner time - Oh yes it is! I'm off to the kitchen to see what Mum is cooking for all the residents including me, Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua.



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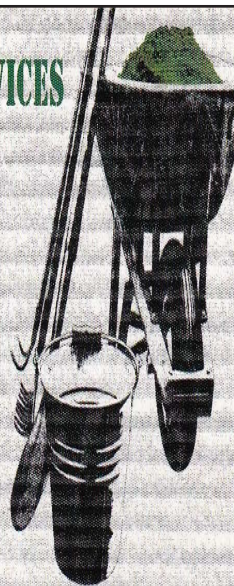
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For more details contact:

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"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9: 6 -7

As you read this letter the church has just begun the season of Advent. The time when there is a profound sense of anticipation and of hope. As we all make our plans for Christmas, hoping they are going to be better than last year. Attending the different Christmas services with our families such as the Carol and Crib services going back to a bit of familiarity. Yet we know there are so many events still going on in the world, the pandemic, destruction of our planet and the refugee crisis across so many countries that can cause so much despondency.

Where is our hope, how does the story of a baby born in a stable have to do with today? The Christmas story is very modern and multicultural. An unmarried mother, homelessness and sleeping rough, foreign visitors, travelling from afar, and then a very modern parable with refugees fleeing persecution seeking shelter in a far-off land. So, what is the problem? Christianity is being increasingly marginalised across Europe and, for that matter, persecuted in many countries across the globe. Is it because the true message of Christmas can be provoking to our modern, selfish way of thinking because it requires a response from us? The message of the angels is explosive, and it would transform our world for the better, if only we let it. 'Christ is born in Bethlehem.' It demands a response. That response is either to acknowledge His lordship over history and to bow down in worship, or it is to judge the claims made of this baby as false and to move on, ignoring Christmas altogether.

Not many want to do that, we anticipate the celebrations of Jesus' birth, not only because it is a great excuse to be together and have fun, but also because his birth gives us hope. Hope for the future. Hope in this most difficult world where we feel confused and despondent.

Many have lost loved ones in the last year and Christmas will be difficult for them and yet in Christ we are given an inner peace that no one else can give. The light which first shone from Bethlehem's stable will never be extinguished. It continues to shine all around our world, usually at its brightest when we are facing the greatest pain. Jesus promises to be there with us in whatever it is that life brings; in the happy times and in the sadness; in the pain and in the joy.

At Christmas, God welcomes us all to celebrate the birth of His Son, the One who brings hope to the world. God invites us to come in because He has made sure that there is room for us all.

I wish everyone a very Happy and Holy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

God Bless

Revd Elke

Services in the Brett Valley Benefice

January 2022

Wish you all a

Happy and Peaceful New Year



Date 2022	Time	Service	Church
Sunday 2 nd January Second Sunday of Christmas Benefice Service	11 am	Holy Communion	Bildeston
Sunday 9 th January First Sunday After Epiphany 'The Baptism of Christ'	11am	Holy Communion	Nedging
	11am	Morning Prayer	Whatfield
Sunday 16 th January Second Sunday after Epiphany	9.30am	Holy Communion	Semer
	11 am	Baptism	Bildeston
Sunday 23 rd January Third Sunday after Epiphany	11 am	Holy Communion	Whatfield
	11am	Morning Prayer	Naughton
Sunday 30 th January Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Benefice Service	11am	Holy Communion	Nedging



Lunch club

Baptist Church 12.15 for 12.30pm start.....1st Wed every month

Craft it Together

01449 741772 for details..... Restarts Monday 4th October

Strollers & Striders

9.45 - various starting points 07584 189356 or 07901 563281 for details.....Every Mon

Family Group - 10am-12pm

07542 785649 to book a space.....Every Tuesday

Community Coffee Centre

Baptist Church 9.15 - 11.30am.....Friday mornings

Church Bell Ringing Practice

St. Mary Magdalene church bell tower 8.00 to 9.15pm.....Every Tuesday

Bildeston Carpet Bowls Club

7.30pm Chamberlin Hall. Contact Mike 01284827688.....Every Tuesday

Bildeston Community Cycling

Market Square 9.30am.....Sat 22nd

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deadline 17th of every month



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