

# **JANUARY NEWSLETTER, 2020.**

## **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, KIRTON.**

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### **FESTIVE GATHERING;**

The 'Festive Gathering' held on Sunday, December 15th, at Kirton Hall Farm, was very well attended and raised the grand total of £592.50 for Church Funds. This was, as the name suggests, a most festive occasion, where people were able to socialise over a wonderful buffet lunch, enjoy glasses of hot, mulled wine, sing carols and really be transported into the Christmas Spirit! Thank you to John Middleton, Graham Laughton and John Catling for their musical accompaniment throughout the afternoon, and to Jonathan for his hospitality. Thanks must also go to Shelagh Walters, and others who supplied the food, and to those who contributed in any other way to the success of this event!

The results of the Third 100 Club Draw were as follows;

1. Harold Harwood. No. 55 £50
2. David Wright. No. 22 £30
3. J and J Moxon. No. 59 £20

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS!**

### **CAROL-SINGING;**

The Carol-Singers met at 6pm at the village Christmas tree, on Monday, December 16th. In spite of the cold, murky weather, there was an excellent turn-out, and also, an excellent response from all the houses we visited! Thank you to all those who gave us such a warm welcome, and those who plied us with liquid refreshment, mince-pies etc. The total raised, for the Children's Society, was £203.61. **WELL DONE EVERYBODY!**

### **CHRISTINGLE;**

This very popular Christingle service took place, as usual, on Christmas Eve, at 4pm. It was wonderful to see how many adults and children poured into Church - in fact, there was standing room only for one quarter of the congregation! However, this did not detract from the joy of the occasion, as Joan Wood, who was officiating, explained the story of the Christingle and then handed out the oranges, lit up with candles, to the children. The lights were turned out, and the children, standing in candlelight by the altar, sang 'Away in a Manger' - so meaningfully, that many an adult had an emotional moment! After the service ended, mulled wine was served and good wishes were exchanged - before the congregation bustled away to their own celebrations! Thank you once again - the total raised for the Children's Society was £164.35.

### **SPEEDY RECOVERY;**

Love and Best Wishes to Jean Hayter, as she recovers from a broken hip - Get Well Soon Jean!

### **SABBATICAL;**

Revd Zoe Burton, Priest responsible for our group of 12 Parishes, will go on Sabbatical from Monday, Feb 10th until the end of March. Please ring one of the above telephone numbers during this period, if you need to contact a member of clergy, or our Churchwarden.

### **EAST MARKHAM PANTOMIME**

East Markham Players present the 'Babes in the Wood'. Venues and times as follows;  
At East Markham Village Hall - Friday, Jan 31st at 7.30pm / Saturday, Feb 1st at 2pm and 7.30pm  
At Dunham-on-Trent Village Hall - Sat Feb 8th at 2pm and 7.30pm  
Tickets from Sally Mitchell Gallery, Tuxford or East Markham Post Office. Always very popular!

**HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYBODY !**

