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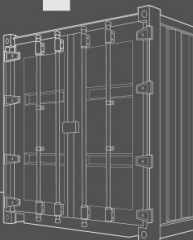
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A LETTER FROM REV RONA

Happy New Year,

I write this in storm Darragh, uncertain of the damage occurring, but you read it as we step into this New Year, 2025. As always, we do so with hearts that are perhaps a little weary. The chill of January can feel like a stark reminder of the challenges we face—personal, communal, and global. And yet, as people of faith, we are invited to choose hope, even when it feels distant or fragile.



A line from the carol O Holy Night rings in my head at New Year –

*A Thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.*

I invite you to reflect on a phrase in that sentence and perhaps write a poem, a 'Haiku', or make something (be creative) which reflects your Thrill of Hope for this New Year. By looking forward not just positively, but also as a sharing community, we can be part of a hopeful and joyful 'new and glorious morn'.

My offering is this:

The Thrill of Hope

In the stillness we wait; we hold our breath,
bare branches stretch toward hidden light.
The thrill of hope stirs quietly,
not loud or certain, but steady and true.

Beneath the frozen ground, life begins,
unseen, unhurried, unstoppable.
Hope does not need the warmth to grow—
only the promise of its return.

And so this weary world rejoices
soundlessly trusting Jesus' promise to return, and
carried by this quiet assurance
we know the light will come,
and the darkness can
not, and will not
ever
overcome it.

With love, Rev Rona

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

FUNERAL

9th December

Maureen Ann Porter



Congratulations to **Tone Higgins**, who took this month's cover photo of St John's bells, usually heard rather than seen!

Looking forward to seeing what unusual shots of the village will be sent in for covers this year!

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Results of the December Draw

1 st Prize	£30	Anon (No. 29)
2 nd Prize	£20	Anon (no.100)
3 rd Prize	£10	Mrs K Davis



Thank You Di and Dave!



As most of you know by now, The Tippling Philosopher will be calling 'last orders' at the end of the year. It will be very sad not to have a pub in the High Street, when not too many years ago, we had two. The present owners of the Tippling have worked very hard over the past few years, supporting the village by donating raffle prizes, selling the calendar, etc. as well as serving delicious food, having their annual cider festival in August and hosting the Saturday market in recent years. On behalf of the village, I would like to thank Di and Dave and wish them All the Best for their future.

Christine Porter

Christmas Tree Festival 2024

Thank you to the various businesses, clubs and organisations who decorated a tree for the village Christmas Tree Festival:

The Tippling Philosopher; Wayne Pullen, Butcher; Miranda Chaffey, Soft Furnishings; St John's Church Choir; The Beeches Pre-School; The Kings Command Performance; The Clockspire Restaurant; Crazy Crafters; Milborne Port Football Club; Milborne Port History & Heritage Group; St John's Church Bellringers; Milborne Port Library; Milborne Port Christian Aid Group; Tuesday Lunch Group; Milborne Port Royal British Legion; Milborne Port Gardening Club; Milborne Port Primary School; Something Else Fishy; Milborne Port Short Mat Bowls; Milborne Port Cricket Club; Beehive Hair Salon; Milborne Port Musical Theatre; Commonalty; Goathill Church; The Glovelies; Silverthorne Farm; Milborne Port Sports & Social Club; Spirit of Milborne Port; Milborne Port Co-op.

With the theme of "Christmas Hit Singles", all the trees displayed craftsmanship, creativity and imagination. They bought a smile to the faces of everyone who visited.

The vote for the favourite tree went to Wayne Pullen Butcher, for their portrayal of "We Built This City on Sausage Rolls".. They won a half bottle of champagne. The winner of the quiz, to work out the Christmas Hit Singles, was S. Pinkawa, with 28 correct answers out of a possible 29. The prize was a Christmas pudding.



Again, a big thank you to all who decorated, helped in any way, and everyone who visited.

Susan Wales



Season's Greetings from Milborne Port Parish Council: Chairperson Tim Carty writes

2024 has been quite a year at MPPC. Everything has happened against a backdrop of the financial troubles at Somerset Council. In some ways, our community has been less affected than many. However, we have seen both actual reductions in services, as well as an ongoing threat of further reductions, the details of which remain unclear as the Council itself negotiates with central government to determine the levels of support they receive and the Council Tax revenue they will be allowed to levy. What is clear is that for non-statutory services there will continue to be pressure for parish councils to cover the gaps, should they wish to do so. To give one example, the County has historically cleared drains more or less on an as-needed basis; however, the statutory responsibility is to clear them once every four years. Should a community wish a more regular time scale then it can elect to do this, but it must also bear the cost. We will continue to wrestle with these issues.

2024 also saw the Parish Council become the trustee of the Village Hall Charity. Many thanks to all those who have volunteered in supporting the running of the Hall in the past, and we have now moved to a more hybrid role with officers supported by a volunteer Committee, with particular thanks to Chris, Michelle and Paul.

We have commenced the Youth project, focusing on residents of secondary school age, and the numbers at the Village Hall on Thursdays continue to rise. We will be looking to add further support in the spring for our youth residents. We have made a record number and value of community grants. We continue to support the Library and the Friends, both financially and practically. The tennis courts

have been resurfaced, and we conducted the Community Plan, which is now up on the web site for residents to review. In Planning, the application for 58 dwellings along Wheathill Lane has been given outline approval and we will be meeting with the developer in the New Year. The application at Court Lane has been rejected, for now.

The Redcliffe development at Station Road/Wheathill Lane will be progressing and this should mean that the related funding will come online shortly. We also continue positive dialogue with the developer regarding the Community Hub, but with no conclusion at the time of writing. The funding is largely earmarked by contract for projects at the Springfield Road Rec, including the extension of the sports pavilion, for which we have received planning permission.

As part of the County devolution programme, we have expressed an interest in a few parcels of Somerset Council owned land around the village, possibly with a bespoke area for dog walkers away from the Rec. We are actively participating in the Flood committee of the Local Community Network and will be targeting the Highways committee going forward. We are consulting on proposed changes to the Planning 'verification' process, which we largely oppose. We will also be pressing for a Council or LCN led collective approach to dog fouling related enforcement (so pick up your dog's doings)! We continue to lobby for and support the 58 bus route (do please keep using it).

So, a lot done and a lot to do. I would like to thank all of my fellow Parish Councillors, especially our new joiners Aly and Paul, as well as all those who have previously volunteered on the Parish Council. Equally, thanks to the excellent Simon, Nathalie and Chris - our officers - without whom nothing would be done (and congratulations to Nathalie for earning the certificates to prove it!) Thanks to Sarah our MP, and Nicola and Hayward our County Councillors. And I wish all our residents a Happy and successful 2025.

Tim Carty, Chairperson of Milborne Port Parish Council

Parish Council Meetings in January: Full Council: Tuesday January 7th; **Planning Committee:** Tuesday 21st January; **Management Committee** Tuesday 28th January (tbc).

Meetings take place in the Town Hall and start at 7 p.m. Members of the public are welcome to attend and can address the meeting with questions or comments from 7-7.15 p.m. If you would like to attend but would experience access difficulties, please let us know in advance and we will relocate to the Community Room downstairs.

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Our MP in Parliament

Notes on some of the issues that our local MP, Sarah Dyke, has engaged with recently. Not a party political pitch, but a record of her actions as our constituency representative.

- SD led a parliamentary debate on public transport, highlighting challenges faced by Somerset residents.
- SD highlighted issues with vet shortages and the importance of animal vaccines, in a debate on biosecurity
- Asked the Minister for Homeless and Democracy what steps they will take to unlock 18,000 homes in Somerset held up by nutrient neutrality issues



Contact: sarah.dyke.mp@parliament.uk

The Spirit of Milborne Port *'Working together for our Community'*

Well, here we are starting another year, we hope you all enjoyed the seasonal festivities including the Light Switch on which took place Friday 29th November at St John's Church. Special thanks to all those concerned at the Church and Church House committee for kindly opening your doors and welcoming us again.

This year ran smoothly with the introduction of booking online to see Santa, we hope this helped ease the issue of queuing.

Thank you to all the wonderful stall holders who supported the event, lovely to see more stalls this year, thanks also to everyone who gave up their time and came along to help, not forgetting the amazing folk who turned out on such a wet and windy Saturday morning to put the trees up along the High Street.

This year's raffle raised an amazing £1,030. Raffle winners 1st D.Ross £100 2nd Andy Clothier £50 and 3rd Nigel Varney Clockspire voucher.

There were two winners of Guess the Weight of the Christmas cake, Debbie and Tracy Dyer; as we felt we couldn't cut the cake in two we drew the names out of the hat with Debbie coming first, the cake weighed 8lb 10z and was kindly donated by Elaine.

The total amount raised was £3,225, I think we can all say this year was a huge success. Thank you again for your support, and special thanks to all of the local businesses for sponsoring the event, without you it just wouldn't happen.

The Christmas trees along the High Street will be coming down Saturday 11th January, meeting 10 a.m. @ The Weighbridge, many hands make light work ... if you can help, we look forward to seeing you there.

Date for your diary – Next year's Fete will be on Saturday 7th June.

Wishing you all a Happy & Healthy New Year, from all the team.

Claire Andrews

Christmas Tree Disposal Scheme

Daniel and Lisa from Toomer Tree Services will again be running their Charity Christmas Tree Disposal at the Village Hall Car Park.

**11th January 2025
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**



All money raised will go to the Village Hall

Blackmore Vale U3A

Paul's Grand Winter Quiz

Tuesday 14th January

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Milborne Port Village Hall News

Party Decorations I have come across a collection of Champagne bottles, corks hanging out, which were probably used as table decorations for a wedding reception or special anniversary party. I was going to take them to the Council Waste but I think they look rather nice and so if anybody would like them for maybe a forthcoming celebration, please contact me and we can arrange a convenient pick up time. All free of charge of course! (The picture does not do justice to the effect!).



I also found the set of table numbers, as shown, and again, would like to offer them out before getting rid of them. The numbers are on a 'blackboard and chalk' background and are erasable.

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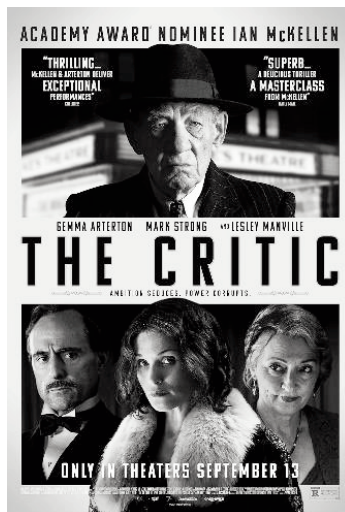
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Many thanks to all involved in raising this great amount.

Maggie Pelly



Bringing Hope

By Michael Beasley, Bishop of Bath and Wells

“A leader” said Napoleon Bonaparte, “is a dealer in hope.” At the start of 2025, this is a tough challenge for leaders everywhere! Conflicts continue around the world. The climate emergency is ongoing. At the

polls, voters in many countries express their dissatisfaction with the status quo. As we look around us, can hope mean anything more than mere wishful thinking? As we look on all the challenges that exist, have we anything more to say than “I hope that that somehow, somewhere, something will turn up”.

More than ever, the Christian understanding of hope is what we need. Christian hope is broader, deeper, stronger altogether than any ‘wishful thinking’. In scripture, hope is not just a vague desire that something good in the future will somehow happen. Rather, the Biblical understanding of hope is of a confident expectation and desire that good in the future will come. It’s an assurance based in our pre-existing experience of God’s goodness, God’s love, the faithfulness that he has already shown towards us.

Scripture also contains the idea that while hope is something which comes primarily from God, it is also something in which human beings have a part to play, a contribution to make. The letter to the Hebrews says this: “God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them. We want each of you to show this same diligence to the very end, so that what you hope for may be fully realized.” (Hebrews 6:10-11) God graciously calls us to join in bringing hope into the world. Our work, our love, our diligence matter. The contribution we make is important in bringing into being the future that God wants for us. At the start of this new year, we are called to take the lead: to be signs, symbols, dealers in the hope for which our world longs today.

CHURCH SERVICES

(including the Principal Service Readings)

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel at St John's: Weekdays at 9 a.m.

Our pattern of services has changed a little. Please check the list below carefully for changes, and please consider attending some services which may be new to you.

Sunday 5th January Epiphany Sunday

Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

9:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Charlton Horethorne
10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Evensong	Stowell

Wednesday 8th January

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Sunday 12th January The Baptism of Christ

Isaiah 43:1-7, Luke 3:15-17 & 3:21-22

10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Plough Sunday	Charlton Horethorne

Wednesday 15th January

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Saturday 18th January

10:00 a.m.	Community Thanksgiving	Milborne Port
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Sunday 19th January 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11

9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Wick
10:30 a.m.	Matins	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Holy Communion	Charlton Horethorne

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Wednesday 22nd January

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Sunday 26th January 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a, Luke 4:14-21

10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Port
3:00 p.m.	Evensong	Goathill

Wednesday 29th January

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Sunday 2nd February Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Malachi 3:1-5, Luke 2:22-40

9:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Charlton Horethorne
10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Evensong	Stowell

Wednesday 5th February

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As December and our Christmas time draws to a close, we being to think about the year ahead and what it will bring. Before we rush ahead however, I would like to reflect on last month and the time of Advent.

The four weeks leading up to Christmas are called Advent in the Christians Church, and each week reflects on these four heading: 'Hope', 'Peace', 'Joy' and 'Love'. At our Sunday services we began to look more deeply into each one of these subjects and what it meant to each one of us. Our Family Carol and Christingle Service on the third Sunday was certainly a time of 'Joy', when many of the families connected with the various activities at ReBorne joined together.

At Christmas, God showed his perfect love for each one of us. The bible says "God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).

Advents is all about reflection and anticipations. So, as we move into 2025, I believe we need to bring these four words of 'Hope', 'Peace', 'Joy' and 'Love' more into our daily lives and share them with those around us

May God bless you all in the coming year,

Ginny Bignell

Milborne Port Gardening Club

Trusting that everyone has enjoyed some cheer over festive period. We can start looking forward to each day getting just that bit longer, with more light and hope for the gardening year ahead. Should one of your resolutions be to join the MP Gardening Club as a new year activity, know that you would be most welcome. You can come along as a visitor and take it from there. Details are below.

Our club saw out our year with a very festive Quiz, with a good number our members turning out on a chilly evening. There were certainly some challenging questions, plenty of animated discussion and loud whispering. There were delicious nibbles to go with a glass of fizz, all of which helped the evening be a great success.

What exciting guests we have for our first gathering of the new year! Ann Reed from Owl Obsession UK will be bringing along some of her feathered friends for a meet and greet session. We will not only get up close and personal with these wondrous creatures, we will hopefully learn more about their habitats and how we can best help them in our own environs.



Tuesday, 14th January at 19.30 at the Village Hall.

Wishing all Milborne Port Magazine readers a Happy New Year. Here's to a year of inspiration, productivity and many blooming successes! Should you wish to know more about the Club, or join us in 2025, please do come to any meeting or contact the Secretary (Samantha at samgraham2009@gmail.com). We happily welcome guests to our meetings for a fee £4.00 from January 2025.

Samantha Dean



GLOVELIES

We had our traditional fish 'n' chip supper, supplied by Something Else Fishy, at our December meeting accompanied by glasses of wine. We pulled crackers, told jokes and took part in a 'seasonal' quiz. Eighteen of our members attended and it was a really good evening.

Looking to the future, we will be holding our meetings in the afternoon, at least during the winter months, beginning on **January 9th** when we will have a talk on 'Hypnotherapy and the Power of the Mind' given by Margaret Capon. Non-members are very welcome, just for a charge of £5 which will include a drink.



In the meantime, we will be serving drinks and cakes on Friday mornings in the community room/library from 10.30am onwards. Do please call in and have a chat with the 'regulars'.

A very Happy Christmas and All the Best for 2025 to all readers from The Glovelies.

Christine Porter

A Date for your Diary

Frank and Maureen's Marmalade Festival will be on March 22nd this year.

Plan your marmalade making now!

Friends of Milborne Port Library

Saturday 4th January - Lego Club – 9.30 – 12 noon

Tuesday 7th and 21st January - Yarn and Natter – 2.30 – 4 p.m.

Every Tuesday 10.30am Rhyme Time
Aimed at ages 0 – 4

Saturday 25th January Children's Craft Club – 10.30 – 11.30am

New library staff: In January we welcome our new member of staff – **Karen**. We are looking forward to her joining the team.



Thank you to all our library users for their support over the past year. We know from comments made to us that the current location and service is appreciated. The Friends of Milborne Port Library and the library staff will continue to strive to keep our library open to all.

Book Recommendation: A Calamity of Souls by David Baldacci Set in the tumultuous year of 1968 in Southern Virginia, a murder case sets a duo of black and white lawyers against a deeply unfair system as they work to defend their wrongfully accused Black defendants in this courtroom drama.



A Happy and Peaceful New Year to all our library users

Mary Clothier marydmc38@gmail.com

Milborne Port History & Heritage Group



Our next talk is on Monday 20th January.

In November we learnt something about 'the big house' – Ven House – but this time take a tour with us of some of our village's more modest but no less interesting addresses... Committee members and guests will talk about the history and architecture of a selection of Milborne Port's Top Historic Properties: Manor Farm House, 62 & 63 South Street, Bazzleways and 216-217 High Street.

Do join us at 7.30 p.m. at Church House in Bathwell Lane. We are a charity and ask for a suggested donation of £2 per member or £5 per non-member to cover costs (please Gift Aid your donation if you can). If you are parking in Bathwell Lane, please do so considerately as it is a bit of a squeeze along there! If you wish to become a member of your group, and we very much hope that you do, please email us: mphhgroup@gmail.com.

Don't forget to keep Saturday 10th May 2025 free for our VE Commemoration Day! We are busy making plans and would welcome the offer of extra help to bring all of our ideas together; it will be a day of activities, exhibitions, displays and talks about Milborne Port and its surroundings during the Second World War, all at the Village Hall, with a 1945 'rationed' lunch and an evening dance with - we hope! - a live band playing songs from the period!

What was happening in the lead up to VE Day? Lesley Wray gives us a snapshot of village life in 1945. A more detailed account by Lesley, including the international situation, can be found at <http://milborneporthistory.org.uk/milborne-port-in-wartime/>

By January 1945, it was clear that although the war was turning in the Allies' favour, it was by no means over. At home, life – and the weather – went on. In Milborne Port, families waited for news as their loved ones were spread all over the world. On 5th January, the Western Gazette reported that the Milborne Port for Prisoners of War Fund had sent £16 4s to the headquarters of the Fund as a result of a dance held at the Victoria Hall on Boxing-night, and that during December the British Legion forwarded to each local man and woman serving (numbering 220) a postal order for 10s. as a Christmas gift, with greetings and best wishes for a safe and speedy return. Nearly 100 acknowledgments of the gift, including some from overseas, had already been received.



The Western Gazette reported that at the Royal Schools of Music examination at Milborne Port, held on November 25th, Miss Phyllis Willcox passed Grade V higher. Miss Barbara Willcox, Grade EL elementary, and Miss Sylvia Cox, Grade ILL transitional, for pianoforte playing. All were pupils of Mr. Harold Sinclair.



Remember that you can follow us on Facebook for updates on talks and events, and for signposts to articles that are new to our ever-evolving website: <http://milborneporthistory.org.uk>. We have many people now posting brilliant material onto our Facebook pages, so if you are a Facebooker, it is well worth checking out these contributions. You can also get in touch by e-mail: mphhgroup@gmail.com

Nathalie Hetherington

The January Night Sky

"To me, there's nothing quite like a beautiful night sky to put everything into perspective and focus. It clears the mind. It's comforting to know that the darker it gets, the more stars begin to shine."

Max Art

The Planets

Mercury shines brightly at the start of the month. However, it is positioned low in the south-eastern pre-dawn sky which will make it difficult to see.

Venus is a dazzling evening star climbing steadily in the southwest as the month progresses.

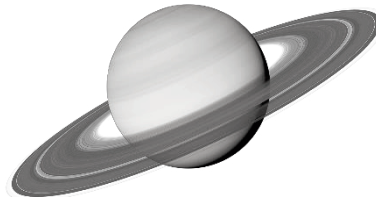
Mars comes into opposition on the 16th of January, when the planet is opposite the Sun in the sky. On this date Mars will be visible all night — rising at sunset and setting at sunrise. During the month Mars rides high among the stars of Gemini.

Jupiter is well-placed lying-in Taurus and will be visible until the early hours.

Saturn during the first half of the month is an early evening 'star' in Aquarius.

Uranus is only visible through binoculars, lying close to the boundary between Aries and Taurus.

Neptune around mid-January Neptune can be observed for about an hour during the early evening with a small telescope. Viewing deteriorates as the month progresses.



Astronomical Events

3rd: Close approach of the Moon and Venus.

4th: Earth at perihelion the point in Earth's orbit at which it is closest to the Sun. Perihelion *always happens in early January, about two weeks after the December Solstice*. At 5.20 pm on the same day the crescent Moon will pass directly in front of Saturn.



Quadrantid meteor shower - begins in late December and continues until 12th of January. Peaks from about 7 pm on the 3rd until 6 am on the 4th. A Half-Moon will rise around midnight, obscuring the fainter meteors.

6th: Moon at First Quarter

10th: the waxing gibbous Moon kisses Jupiter.

13th: **Full Moon** known as the 'Wolf Moon'; the name may originate from the Anglo-Saxon lunar calendar. It is the time of the year when wolves howl. Howling is used as a social rally call, a hail to hunt or as a territorial expression. The January full moon is known as the Quiet Moon or the Cold Moon in other cultures.



13th: the Moon eclipses Mars in the morning sky

18th: Venus kisses Saturn

20th: Conjunction of Venus and Saturn.

21st: Moon at Last Quarter

29th: New Moon

31st: Slim crescent Moon cradles Saturn

In Milborne Port, the first day of the month is 7 hours, 54 minutes long. The last day of January is 9 hours, 04 minutes, so the days lengthen by 1 hour 10 minutes during January 2025. Spring is on its way!

Happy New Year and good viewing.

Ganymede

More than 120 people are confirmed at Wells

Wells Cathedral was filled with joy and celebration as more than 120 people from across the diocese were confirmed. The candidates, from a diverse range of ages and backgrounds, were joined by a large congregation of family members, friends, and church community supporters. Confirmation is a special service in which a person affirms the promises made on their behalf at baptism. Bishop Michael said, “It has been extraordinary to be in Wells Cathedral to confirm so many people, each of them here because their Christian journey has brought them to a new place, of commitment, of love of God and a willingness to serve God in the world and we have just been so proud of everyone that we have been with today.”



Bible Cake

This traditional recipe has been provided by Rev Frank Wright. Older readers will probably have seen it before.

(It's an old recipe so use the King James version of the Bible when looking up the ingredients)

8oz Psalm 55:21 (first clause)

8oz Jeremiah 6:20

1 tabspn 1 Samuel 14:25

3 Jeremiah 17:11 (Deut 23:6)

Beat all together

12 oz 1 Samuel 30:12 (end of first clause)

8oz Nahum 3:12 chopped

2oz Numbers 17:8 (blanched and chopped)

Beat again

10oz Leviticus 2:1

2 Chronicles 9:9 (to taste)

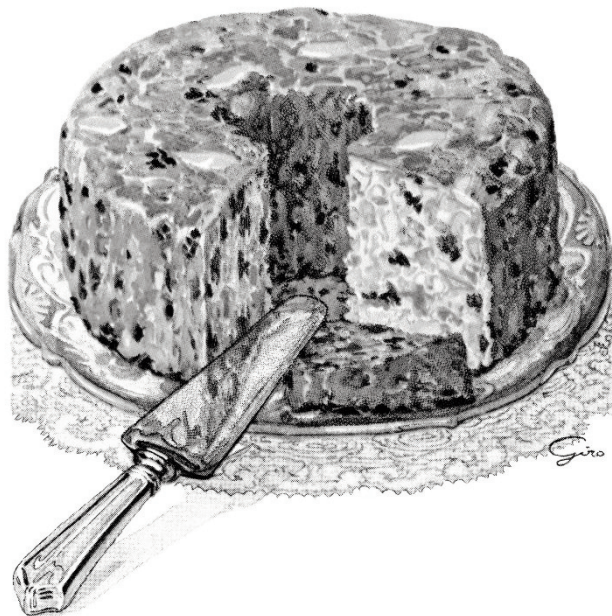
A pinch of Leviticus 2:13

Half teasp Amos 4:5

Add 3 tablespoons Judges 4:19

Bake in a moderate oven (170 – 180 C) 2.25 hours

PS Leven is Baking Powder, Sweet Cane is granulated sugar.



MAGAZINE DEADLINES

All entries for the February 2025 issue of the magazine to the editor please by **Saturday 25th January** at 12 noon latest.

Distributors at the church on **Friday 31st January** at 2 p.m.

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All email contributions will be acknowledged. If you do not receive a reply, or if you are unable to use email, please ring 01963 33495



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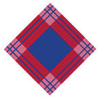
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