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Next meeting will be held on:

Tuesday 6 February @ 7pm in the Neighbourhood Centre

Members of the public are welcome to attend and can arrange to speak to the Council through the Clerk or by requesting the Chairman before the start of the meeting. Copies of the Agenda are available from the Clerk and are posted in the Library. Clerk to the Council is Mrs Kyla Lamb and the Council Office is normally open from:-

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### **EDITORIAL by Ray Owen Co-Editor**

Well here we are again with the first issue for 2018 and I'm pleased to say we are continuing to produce the magazine monthly for the foreseeable future and not going to go bimonthly from the middle of this year as we intended. Amy has kindly said she is willing to edit it monthly after I've completed my short stint and I 'd like to personally thank her for coming back onboard and taking this on. I will be doing the March, May and July issues and then see how we go from there. I will however keep you all updated on Zac's well-being, if he's not well enough to write his own column.

Brenda is also back onboard and she will be sorting Amber's Advice and Tiger's Tips as she used to, so thank you Brenda and welcome back.

Now most importantly I must thank Cynthia for kindly clearing her bike shed for us to be able to re-home the mobility scooters and wheelchairs so as we are able to continue offering our free loan service to residents.

Sadly we have had to give up our office at the library but we will still be accepting mail to that address and we will also be distributing the magazine

from there, monthly.

It's a long story as to why that has come about and I won't bore you with the details but it has caused me much anxiety for a couple of months, however I think it is all sorted now. Spare space in our house is now non-existent as we have stationery, printers and various other pieces of equipment filling every available nook and cranny and I must thank my wife for her gallant efforts in making room for it all.

For those of you who advertise with us we have had to reassess our finances and to that end it has become necessary for the first time since 2011 to increase our advertising rates. Also due to some falling behind with payments and then not honouring their debt we have decided that all adverts must now be paid for 'in advance' and failure to do so will mean they will be pulled from further issues until payment is made. We are sorry that we have had to do this as the majority of our advertisers are absolutely great at paying on time, but sadly the few as usual have ruined it for the many.

### **ATTWELLS THANKS**

Karen and Jenny would like to thank everyone for their kind gifts, cards and contributions to our tip box over Christmas. They were all very much appreciated.

### **Trees**

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who turned out to help with the Christmas trees this year. It is so much easier when more volunteers turn out. You're a great bunch and well done for making the village look so lovely. Thanks also to Roger Thomson, Jack Whybrow and Scott Fleming for stepping in when needed for repairs and emergencies.

Also thank you to Minster Parish Council, their staff and Matt Spanton for again supplying, erecting and illuminating the big tree at the Lych Gate.

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### **Late Night Shopping**

Thanks to everyone who gave their time and made an enormous effort to put on Late Night. Jack, Margaret, Scott and Michael for Santa's Grotto, Minster School Choir, The Offcumduns, Wantsum Morris, Minster Handbells and the Salvation Army Band for their entertainment, Miss Minster and her Court for switching on the lights, the Walford family for providing hot refreshments for the dancers and not forgetting Minster Businesses for providing Nibbles etc.

The weather was very kind to us but still people didn't bother to turn out and support us, which makes us think the event is not wanted and certainly not worth doing again. Those who do come really enjoy it. Santa had just 50 visitors, in the past this has always been well over 100, so much work and effort for so little return. So, this is like everything else in the village, if it's not supported you will lose it.

Why is it held in November we hear you ask? Because we are hoping you will look around your village businesses to see what's on offer for Christmas before you've already gone into town and bought everything.

Why No Street Stalls? We have a window of just 2 hours when we hope you can find time to browse in the shops that are struggling to survive, paying taxes, rates, wages etc.

and supplying a local service all year. More things going on outside would make this less likely.

If your children are taking part in the school choir why not stop and have a look round our lovely village instead of whisking them away home as soon as their singing has finished?

We have to ask ourselves, "Is Minster joining the 'Can't be Bothered' Society! If you can't be bothered then neither can we!!

### **Thanks from Lil Smith**

I would like to thank everyone who has helped me raise money for Pilgrims Hospice. As always, a fantastic Band Concert in December and also thanks to our resident dog walker.

I would also like to thank all my customers on the Hospice Lottery and especially for making Bill, who has taken over my rounds, so welcome.

Again, thanks to all. Lil

## **POPPY UPDATE**

Happy New Year to everyone and many thanks for all the Poppies that have been made throughout 2017.

We are well on the way to our target number for November 2018. Please keep them coming. To date we have 8,695 red Poppies and 195 blue Cornflowers.

Work will be starting in August to make all the decorations for the village and if you would like to help with this project then please leave your contact details at Attwells or phone myself on 07374 214 279.

Barbara Quittenden

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## **Letter from a Resident**

Did you all enjoy the Christmas trees and lights that made our village look so festive and welcoming over the Christmas season? These decorations are due to the very small band of people who give up a few hours of their time in November to tie the lights in place on the trees and the intrepid ladder climbers who fix the trees to the buildings. The whole process is then reversed after 12th night at the beginning of January. Without these volunteers the amazing spectacle that is Minster at Christmas would not happen. Thank you very much to all of you who help now and have helped over the past 17 years.

I also hope that you enjoyed the post box covers, which must have brought a smile to a lot of faces, both young and old. Sadly, the post box cover at the bottom of Prospect Road was not even in place for a week before someone decided to steal it. Last year someone of the same persuasion cut out a

snowman and a reindeer from the post office box. The time and effort that was put into knitting all the figures, measuring every post box and designing ways of fixing every cover, plus the money spent on the wool and materials was all due to one village lady, so thank you so much to the selfish person or persons responsible for the vandalism. Are you by any chance related to the disgraceful person or probably persons who removed the two stone dogs from the front garden of the cottage in Tothill Street just before Christmas? Those dogs gave me and probably many others immense pleasure whenever they wore their Santa hats or scarves or sunglasses, dependent upon the season. Someone must have seen something surely, as the dogs were far too heavy to be carried away, whoever took them must have had a vehicle. If you know anything about what has happened please speak out as this village is really far too special to allow this kind of behaviour go unchallenged.

Yours faithfully, Mrs M A Thomson

### **‘CHALLENGE CUP’ NETBALL COMPETITION**

On 19th November last year, J & L Netball Club, challenged Ceiran, owner of The New Inn pub, to a game of Netball. He accepted the challenge and assembled a team of his male customers for the match.

On a very cold, bright and sunny Sunday morning, we played the game at the multisport court here in Minster.

It turned out to be a fabulous, fast moving and fun match.

The lads really made us work hard as they began to pick up most of the rules (of which there are many) quite well.

A Challenge Cup was up for grabs and in the third 1/4, there was only one goal in it!

J & L managed to come through in the final 1/4 and won 26-19.

Everybody really enjoyed the game, including the lovely spectators who stood watching in the cold.

'Star player' went to Nick from Minster Hardware. He was chosen by our Umpires, Jackie Hickman (who resides in Minster) and Linda Bushell.

They thought he was really skilful and had very quick responses in his position of WD (Wing Defence).

Afterwards we all went back to The New Inn where they kindly provided some refreshments for both teams.

The Challenge Cup, with the J & L NC ribbons on it, sits nestled in the 'Sports Corner' of The New Inn awaiting the next challenge in 2018.

**They want that CUP!!!!!!**

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## **MINSTER ARMOUITS CAPPEL TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

We wish you all a very Happy New Year and we hope to see lots of you at our 2018 events.

The year started well for us with our coach trip to Brighton for the Holiday on Ice show. It was a fun and spectacular day and enjoyed by all.

Our first fundraising event of 2018 is a cash Bingo Night on Saturday 27 January at the Old Schools at 7pm. £10 for 8 games and the last game offering a prize of a whopping £100.

Refreshments available, but take your own if you wish. This is advertised around the village and was in the last Minster Matters as some of you may not receive this edition in time, so hopefully, we'll see you there.

The first Quiz is on 10 March at the RBL, kicking off at 8 pm. It is essential to book tables of 6-8

people as places are taken quickly. 2018 prices remain at £5 per person which includes a wonderful buffet. Please contact Carol on 07745 683 466 or 01843 447 706 to secure your place.

The Spring Craft Exhibition in Armbouts-Cappel runs from 11-18 March. If you are interested in exhibiting photographs, paintings, knitting, sewing, quilting, or wish to put your crafts up for sale in France, please contact Lindsay Thacker on 07788 888 470 who will explain the procedure. We can collect from you if necessary and return the goods at a later date. You don't have to attend as it's a week-long exhibition. Lindsay will be giving the exhibits to the French when they come to England on 10 February, so please make this call to her as a matter of urgency. Become an international entrepreneur!

You will find out in the next edition of Minster Matters, just how well (or not) the two Twinning Teams fared in the Open Day Bowls Competition on 21 January.

## **MINSTER BOWLS CLUB**

After a quiet December we are back in full swing. The Men's and Ladies Pairs competitions were held on 14th January. In the Ladies event Maureen Hedges and Myrna Elson reached the final.

The other semi-final between Sandra Day & Babs White against Min Smith and Meg Atkinson will be played at a later date.

The Men's event reached the semi-final stage with Brian East & Paul Churchley, Maurice Burton

& Brian Hedges, Keith Jackson & Malcolm Bubb, Chris Richardson & Richard Muncey left to battle for the cup.

Paul Churchley is this season's EKSMBA Men's Singles Champion - Congratulations Paul!

EKSMBA home league fixtures for February are:

Hinds (Div1) 6th v Whitstable Oysters, 20th v Canterbury Choughs.

Abbots (Div2) 1st v Aylesham Magpies, 22nd v Boughton Courtenays, 27th v Aylesham Warblers.

Monks (Div3) 21st v Broadstairs Buzzards.

All matches are a 7.30p.m. start.

In house competitions - Friday Fours every Friday evening, Mixed Triples 11th, Mens Singles 25th.

Spectators are welcome for any event, and if you would like to try short-mat bowls then please contact Brian Morphew at [brimaur26@gmail.com](mailto:brimaur26@gmail.com) or telephone 845 638.

Brian Morphew, Hon. Secretary [www.minsterbowlsclub.org.uk](http://www.minsterbowlsclub.org.uk)

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## **MINSTER W.I.**

Our January meeting was supposed to be a speaker from Thanet Families In Need unfortunately they didn't turn up!! Thankfully Marion, our President, had come prepared and gave us a short talk about the Minster wall hanging. This is hanging in the village hall and depicts various aspects and representations of Minster throughout the centuries. It was the brainchild of Valerie, our then secretary, who in 1990 researched and organised the making of this massive project to coincide with the Millennium. Every member of the WI at that point took some part, large or small, in the making of this beautiful piece of work. We are very proud to have it hanging in this public place for everyone to see and enjoy.

Dates for your diary

13th February-WI meeting- local Artisan Baker Peter Mockeridge

Please bring along your subscription money and money for the birthday dinner 20th February 7.30pm WI Birthday Dinner at St Augustine's Golf Club

13th March- WI Meeting- Craft and Social and we will be doing the draw for the Denman Bursary

Visit the Minster WI website at [www.minsterthanetwi.org.uk](http://www.minsterthanetwi.org.uk)

## **KEEPING YOU SAFE FROM SCAMS**

By PCSO 56550 Adrian Butterworth

Welcome to my crime prevention advice slot. I would like to draw your attention to incidents of fraud which are getting more and more frequent with persons calling you on the phone.

These calls are commonly directed towards elderly persons perhaps living on their own.

They usually call claiming to be bank staff, police officer or other officials claiming there has been a fraud on your account and that you will need to take urgent action. They are very convincing. It has been known for them to say you may be committing an offence if you do not co-operate. This is not the case, it is a SCAM.

Remember the bank or police will NEVER

Phone you and ask for your 4 digit card PIN or your online banking password.

Ask you to withdraw money for them

Ask you to transfer money to a new account for fraud reasons

Send someone to your home to collect your cash, PIN, payment card or cheque book.

If you get a call like this hang up and wait a few minutes for the line to clear then call your bank or card issuer to alert them of the scam.

You can also contact Action Fraud on 03001232040 or use their reporting tool at [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)

If you have any concerns about this type of crime feel free to speak to me when you see me out and about. Or call 101 and ask me to contact you.

## MINSTER PLAYHOUSE PROMPT CORNER

### Pantomime

Our Pantomime Babes in the Wood was a great success and played to large and enthusiastic audiences – it is lovely to see people going out happy and smiling.

### May Play 2018

But, no rest for the wicked, and we are already well into our May Play for 2018 which is to be G

B Shaw's Pygmalion. My mother put me off Shaw when I was a child saying the he is "very wordy", so I was surprised when I read this play to find that it is quite light and funny.

It is very different from My Fair Lady, the musical, which Shaw hated, because it warped the whole essence of his play with a saccharine ending, and so the play makes more dramatic sense than the musical.

It will run from Wednesday 9th to Saturday 12th of May at the Village Hall, and, as always, we have plans afoot to enhance this production technically. Please come along and support us while having a good night out.

£1,000 to charity

Over the last year the Playhouse has raised £1,000 for its chosen charity, Taylor Made Dreams, and a cheque will have been presented by the time that you read this. We thank all those who have supported our productions and helped us to make this gift possible.

Am Dram is fun!

If you would like to try it out, come and say hello. On 6th February the Playhouse will be holding its Annual General Meeting in the Village Hall at 7.30. If you would like to come along you would be very welcome. It is not

just acting – lighting is a fascinating hobby and we always need and welcome new people. If you haven't been to see us, make the effort and come along

– we work hard to make sure that you will be pleasantly surprised.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS RECENT LOCAL LABOUR ELECTION LEAFLET**

In the recent local “Labour Election Leaflet” issued on behalf of Pauline Farrance, candidate in the Thanet Villages Constituency, there was a paragraph stating “Our GP surgeries are under immediate threat!”

This information was both alarmist and factually incorrect and has no basis of truth, therefore we wish to reassure our patients and advise them accordingly:

At present there are 14 surgeries in Thanet, not 17 as quoted.

There are no plans, now or in the future, to reduce these to “just 4 extended practices”.

There are no plans, now or in the future, to close Minster or Birchington surgeries.

There are plans to look at ways of expanding the facilities and options they offer at these practices by combining our resources, thus ensuring we

“Keep GP provision at the heart of Village life!”

Both the local candidate and Head of the Labour Party on Thanet DC have been advised of these inaccuracies and asked to correct their press and public publications and thus bely any further worries and concerns that our patients and Health Care Professionals may have.

*Issued on behalf of: Minster Surgery, 75 High Street, Minster*

## **5th December, 2017**

- Community Warden Aaron Kluibenschadl reported a number of incidents that have occurred in Minster over the last month including the theft of two stone dogs from Tothill Street and concern over continuing sexual activity at the public toilets.
- Police Community Support Officer Adrian Butterworth's report stated that an enforcement officer had attended the area around the school following complaints about parking and 3 tickets were issued. Calls to the police included the report of damage and theft from vehicles and also an illegal immigrant in the village; the latter was apprehended by PCSO Butterworth and sent to the removal centre at Dover.
- County Cllr. Dawson explained that the information about cuts to bus services had been released prematurely and that there would be a consultation in January. She undertook to keep us updated.
- The Chairman thanked those who attended the presentation of the first Civic Award to Mr Bowman for his restoration of the Old Chapel; the plaque is displayed on the building.
- Councillors agreed support for the proposal to build a new secondary school on the site of the Royal School for the Deaf site at Margate.
- In the public question period at the end of the meeting the issue of fly tipping on the top road was raised. A discussion took place including the use of cameras etc. The suggestion that farmers be asked to access the road at the western end so that a barrier could be fitted at the eastern end of the road was welcomed. It was agreed that the Operations Committee would progress this matter.
- Concerns were expressed about the loss of government funding to local authorities, resulting in a reduction of payments to local councils; it was accepted that cut backs were impacting at all levels but that Minster Parish Council were working to maintain services at the current level. The budget was being prepared and although there is at present no cap on the precept there were no plans for a large increase.

## 9th January, 2018

- PCSO Adrian Butterworth reported that there had been a burglary in the High Street involving the theft of tools but that it had been a relatively quiet period in the Parish over Christmas and New Year. He had attended the Carol Service on 19th December and advised that it would be a good idea for a few more people to wear reflective jackets to protect the large crowd of people which spills over into the road. This was accepted and will be addressed next year.

- Community Warden Aaron Kluibenschadl reported that he had been promoted to Deputy Supervisor but would be retaining his role in the village; however, increased responsibilities may require him to spend a little more time in Margate on supervisory duties.

- County Cllr. Dawson stated that the Leader of KCC, Paul Carter, was in the process of negotiating with Aviva and Stagecoach regarding bus services in Kent. There was a need to review services that were being subsidised but underused, which was not a

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good use of public money. She confirmed that there would still be a public consultation on this matter but it would be delayed. Alternatives are being considered such as mini buses and click & ride; Cllr. Dawson will clarify whether free bus passes would be valid on such options.

- District Cllr. Grove could give no update on the Local Plan at the present time but confirmed that it would be up before the Full Council on Thursday 18th January and if the plan was accepted there would be a 6-week period of public consultation. The councillors agreed that an extraordinary meeting will be held to agree final comments on the plan.

- The Chairman reminded everyone of the Riveroak Consultation which is scheduled for 23rd January at The Comfort Inn, Ramsgate.

- The Clerk had received a map of all fire hydrants from Kent Fire & Rescue with a request for the Parish Council to check whether they are visible and

serviceable. Cllr.

Day kindly undertook to carry out the necessary checks, hopefully with some assistance.

- The meeting considered planning application TH/17/1763 relating to the erection of 22 dwellings at Manston Court Bungalows, Manston Road, Ramsgate. It was resolved to support the application providing a Local Lettings Plan is put in place as part of the 106 Agreement.

- An appeal has been lodged in relation to the erection of 5 dwellings at 15a Tothill Street, Minster, and members confirmed that they were satisfied with the response from the Parish Council prepared by Cllrs. Taylor and Gimes.

- Last September a meeting took place with TDC in which they confirmed that they would continue to pay agency payments and would transfer the car parks and public toilets to the parish council. Despite numerous attempts by the Clerk to obtain confirmation in writing this has not been forthcoming. The meeting agreed that a formal letter would be sent from the Chairman to the CEO requesting written confirmation of the agreement.

- The minutes of the Policy & Finance Committee were agreed and the

recommendations therein were accepted; these included a proposal to request from TDC an increase in the precept of £3.51, which represents a charge of £51.12 on a Band D property.

- Cllr. Quittenden said that the Twinning Assn. are preparing for their 20th Anniversary on 12th May this year. He also reminded everyone of the Bingo evening to be held on 27th January.

- In the period of questions from members of the public the meeting was asked about action to stop graffiti on the Cottington Road bridge; this is not a matter for the Parish Council but should be reported to TDC. The warden did confirm that they have taken pictures of the graffiti and it has been added to an area database used to try and identify repeat offenders.

- The question of lowering the speed limit approaching the Minster

roundabout was raised, thus enabling maintenance of the roundabout to be resumed. The Chairman confirmed that the matter has been raised with Kent Highways and consideration was being given to a number of actions to improve safety at the roundabout.

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## **PATIENT LIAISON GROUP**

### **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR PRIZE WINNERS**

The winner of the first prize, the Doll's House, was Mrs Gagatte from Cliffsend, second prize was won by Chrissy Rapzy from Minster, and third by Mr & Mrs Curtis from Ramsgate.

### **AUCTION FOR THE HAND MADE TRAWLER FISHING BOAT**

The auction raised £230 with the highest bid made by Mr Brian East.

Fund raising project target achieved - equipment ordered - now received!

### **OFFICIAL PRESENTATION**

This was held on Wednesday 10 January and with Software Installation and onsite training scheduled for Thursday 25 January, Dawn Langdon and members of the Nursing Team will be able to bring the new PC Based ECG equipment into service immediately afterwards.

### **SURGERY TRAINING DAYS**

Please note that the surgery will close from 12.00 noon on the following days: Wednesday 21 February; Wednesday 21 March; Thursday 26 April.

### **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

**ANNUAL SPRING FAYRE** – Saturday 12 May at the Old Schools, so book your table now! Some have already been booked, so get in quick.

### **PATIENT GROUP MEETING**

If you have any issues you would like to raise at our next meeting, or require further information on any of the above, then please contact either Ken Self on 821200 or Jeanne Lawrence on 821049.

## **MINSTER VILLAGE HALL**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Village Hall Management Committee

Is to be held in the COMMITTEE ROOM on Thursday 8th February at 7.30pm

All Welcome

## **TRASH & TREASURE SALE**

St Nicholas Church, St Nicholas-at-Wade

Saturday 17 February, 9.30am – 12 noon

## **Minster & Monkton Horticultural Society**

Next Meeting Wednesday 21 February

7.30pm in the Village Hall

Speaker Russell Miles on “Life of Seals”

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## **Minster Art & Craft Group**

We meet at the Old Schools every Monday morning from 9.00am to 12.30pm.

We are a friendly and sociable non-teaching group ranging from artists to all types of crafters, all of whom are ready to give help and advice if requested. The charge per week is £2.00 to cover the hall etc and includes refreshments. You are welcome to come along for a free morning session to see what we

are doing.

Any queries - call Ann on 01843 821 152.

## **MINSTER & MONKTON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB**

Royal British Legion, 61 Augustine Road

EVERY WEDNESDAY 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Come and join us for a game of Bingo

ALL MEMBERS and bona-fide guests welcome

Phone Pat on 822 622

## **AMBER'S ADVICE**

It does not do to dwell on dreams and forget to live! (J.K.Rowling)

## **TIGER' TIP**

Cold hands and a warm heart make the best pastry!

## **ZAC'S MUSINGS**

YES - STILL HERE!!

I bet some of you are beginning to wonder if I'm actually real, well I can assure you that I am and that I'm also still in the land of the living, at least for now.

I had another 'stroke' just before Christmas which meant the old boy and mum had to rearrange their proposed family visit to Faversham for the big day, instead the three of us spent the day at home and Facetimed the family instead (whatever that means!).

I seem to spend most of my time sleeping of late, or if I'm up and about it's pretty precarious trying to keep my balance on a pair of very wobbly back

legs. Stairs are now a

'no no' and even the back step is becoming quite a problem, but at least I'm still breathing, so that's a bonus.

I hope to be here to write my column for a while yet but who knows.

### **Jenny Lee (72)**

Jenny, formerly of Rose Gardens and known by many in the village sadly passed away on Monday 8 January. There is to be a Private Cremation on Friday 26 January for Family Only.

Donations in memory of Jenny can be sent to Pilgrims Hospice, London Road,

Canterbury.

"Sadly missed by all her friends"

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## **CHURCH NEWS AND SERVICE TIMES**

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RAMSGATE AND MINSTER

Reverend Marcus Holden Telephone 592 071

Holy day of Obligation each Sunday at 10.00am in Minster Abbey

### **MINSTER ABBEY**

[www.minsterabbeynuns.org](http://www.minsterabbeynuns.org)

The Abbey Chapel is open for prayer throughout the day

Lauds: 8.30am Mass 9.00am, Sunday 10.00am Midday prayer 12.10pm  
Vespers 6.00pm Compline 7.50pm (followed by Silent Prayer)

All our visitors, not only Christians but people of all faiths and spiritual tradition, all who

‘truly seek God’ (rule of St. Benedict) are warmly welcomed to join us in prayer, in our beautiful monastic chapel.

**THE SALVATION ARMY MINSTER CORPS Church & Community Centre**

Lieutenants Luke and Katy Johnson tel: 821 543

Mondays 9.30am Bumps and Babies (Term time only) 2.15pm Friendship Club  
Tuesdays 9.30am Parents and Toddlers (Term time only)

Wednesdays 2.00pm Home League Thursdays 9.15am Prayer Group.

10.30am until 2.30pm Age UK Outreach Sundays 10.30am Family Worship

**ST MARY MAGDALENE MONKTON SERVICES IN FEBRUARY**

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10.15am Holy Communion

11 10.15am Holy Communion

18 10.15am Holy Communion

25 4.00pm

Seamark Service at Monkton School

**ST MARY THE VIRGIN, MINSTER SERVICES IN FEBRUARY**

Reverend Richard Braddy Tel: 821 250

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9.00am

Holy Communion

10.30am All-age Worship

6.30pm

Vespers with Minster Abbey

11 9.00am

Holy Communion

10.30am All-age Worship with Holy Communion

18 9.00am

Holy Communion

10.30am All-age Worship

25 9.00am

Holy Communion

10.30am All-age Worship with Holy Communion

**ASH WEDNESDAY – 14 February**

10.30am Holy Communion

7.30pm

Encounter Lent – reflecting on Lent to include Holy Communion

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**Wednesday Mornings at St Mary's**

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP) followed by refreshments

## **Holy Communion at Home**

is available for anyone who is unable to access Minster or Monkton Church

Telephone 821 250 or 822 428

## **Funeral at St Mary's Minster**

20 December – David Collard

## **CONTACTING YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

TDC Villages

District Councillor Bob Grove

Bob is available to speak to residents by appointment.

Please ring 07711 774 262 or contact him via the Parish Office on 821 339

District Councillor Derek Crow-Brown Tel: 821 449

District Councillor Reece Pugh Tel: 07740 288 713

Contacting your MP: Sir Roger Gale MP

Email: [galerj@parliament.uk](mailto:galerj@parliament.uk)

Write: HOUSE OF COMMONS, London, SW1A 0AA

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