

## **Mission**

It is hoped that parishes will be more outward looking in their approach to Lent this year.

## **Social & Fundraising Events:**

The first quiz in Wappenham was exceedingly successful raising £683.50 for the Benefice.

The committee welcome Andrew North representing Syresham. However, they have now lost some key members so need some more volunteers please.

## **Finance**

Were very pleased to have increased our parish share contributions to £62,714 in 2022, 90% of the amount asked for.

Most church councils exceeded their contributions from 2021.

Lois Weedon CC are concerned about the building work required to repair their chancel.

## **Pastoral Care**

Tea parties are being well received. Please let Wiggy know if there are folk who would appreciate an invitation.

## **Worship**

The benefice provided a full range of services over Christmas with thanks to Will Adams, John Roberts and Paul Stothard and other lay leaders.

The team are now planning services leading up to Easter.

## **Safeguarding**

All Church Council members need to be DBS checked. Judith is working through the lists.

## **Hope Centre**

Andrew North has taken over running the Hope Centre rota. He needs new volunteers to do the run supplying food from Milton Keynes to the Hope Centre.

## **Parishes**

*Helmdon* have enjoyed some well-attended services over Remembrance and Christmas. They are awaiting a Quinquennial inspection this year.

*Lois Weedon* CC needs to make repairs to a dislodged keystone in their chancel. Their Christmas Services, carols and Christmas Eve communion were well attended.

*Syresham* enjoyed a full range of Christmas services including a back-to-full strength Christingle. They have around 158 tasks to address in their Quinquennial inspection including expensive repairs to the steeple. They enjoyed a happy and successful Christmas Fair.

*Wappenham* had a standing room only at their carol service. They have some work to do to sort out falling masonry due to the weight on the tower.

*Whitfield* are planning a Mexican Supper in February and a Safari Supper in April. Their Carol service and Christingle were well attended. They are investigating some fallen stone by their east window.



## BPCC update

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*Your Benefice PCC has been at work.  
Here are some highlights of what the  
various committees have been doing and  
discussing on your behalf.*

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*Please feed any comments,  
encouragement or problems back  
through your BPCC representatives.*