## **KEEPING IN TOUCH IN SCARROWBECK DOUBLE ISSUE – December and January** (see back cover for January 2026 services)

This edition is also available on website: www.scarrowbeckbenefice.org.uk **All Saints, Thwaite** 



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	7th			14th		21st			28th
Alby				11am HC	Carols 6.30pm				
Calthorpe		Chocolate Nativity 4pm							
Erpingham	9.30 Group Service & Healing			9.30am HC Carols by Candlelight 6pm		9.30am HC	Carol Service 8pm		9.30 HC Group Service
Gunton							Carol Service 3pm		
Hanworth			Carols Memorial Hall 6.30						
Ingworth						Carol Service 6.30pm			
Thwaite	3pm Evensong			9.30am Morning Prayer		11am HC		Carol Service 11am	

#### 9.30am Midweek services in Erpingham church

Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	
3rd	10th	17th	24th	31st	

## Priest-in-Charge of Scarrowbeck Benefice

Rev Canon Heather Butcher

25, Muskett Way, Aylsham NR11 6GF 07786266933 canonhdb@gmail.com

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Linda Howard 01263 833323 <u>cicely@danielbrian.co.uk</u>

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Calthorpe and Ingworth are part of the Diocesan Churches Trust and have no churchwardens

#### Scarrowbeck Benefice Lay Ministers – LLMs (Permission to Officiate)

The Lay Ministers (LLMs) in this benefice help take services.

Our Lay Ministers are:

 Angela Parkes
 0779969281

 Helen Burrell
 01263 768209

 Colin Willis
 01263 577288

 Ian Andrews
 01263 732780

In addition if you, or anyone you know, would like to be to be prayed for please let Heather know and we will gladly pray for you in our own prayers, and at the services if you wish.

Please let Heather know if you know of anyone who has died and they too can be included in our prayers.

If you would like a home visit for any reason, or home Communion, please contact Heather and this can be arranged at a time to suit you.

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## Clergy Care and Well-Being in our benefice

With the current emphasis on mental health, the Church of England has asked local church councils to consider the wellbeing of their clergy. In the light of this we have decided to remind people of Heather's working days so that her days off are protected. Heather normally works on Wednesdays and Thursdays and two Sundays per month. Inevitably, she works on other days because of weddings and funerals but we try to avoid unnecessary phone calls when she would not normally be working

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PRAYERS FOR THE PARISHES IN DECEMBER Week beginning Sunday

7th Ingworth: Banningham Road, Butts Common

14<sup>th</sup> Hanworth: Old Brewer House, Hanworth Common

21<sup>st</sup> Calthorpe: Aldborough Road

28<sup>th</sup> Alby Town Green, Thwaite Road



### PRAYERS FOR THE PARISHES IN JANUARY Week beginning Sunday

4<sup>th</sup> Thwaite: The Common, Thwaite Hill

11<sup>th</sup> Hanworth: Fen Cottage, Post Office House, White Post Road

18<sup>th</sup> Erpingham: Scarrowbeck Road, School Road

25<sup>th</sup> Hanworth: Glebe Farm, Helsdon Farm

## From the Registers

### **Funerals**

Ingworth 27<sup>th</sup> September Elizabeth Georgia Arnold Hamilton

Erpingham (memorial service) 10<sup>th</sup> September Jean Wood Gunton 12<sup>th</sup> November James Brett

## St Mary's Church Erpingham - Help with the cost of living

## **Community Table**

The Community Table in the church continues to be well supported and used. Thank you to all who provide items for the table.

Food donations to the Community Table can be taken to church.

Items recommended:

Long life milk laundry detergent

Tinned fish shampoo
Tinned meat pot noodles
Tinned vegetables deodorant
Pasta sauce Toilet rolls

Squash/fruit juice washing up liquid

## St Mary's Church Erpingham invites you to.... Young People's Choir...... and Mini Melodies!

## Erpingham Young People's Choir

For ages 7 to 16 years

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Join us every **Thursday** during term time from 4:15 to 5:15pm

Erpingham with Calthorpe Village Hall NR11 7QD

To sign up & for more information, please contact evebryantvocals@gmail.com



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£2 per session

For more info:



## Christmas poems from Heather

## Joseph's Lullaby

Sleep now, little one
I will watch while you and your mother sleep.
I wish I could do more.
This straw is not good enough for you.
Back in Nazareth I'll make a proper bed for you
Of seasoned wood, smooth, strong, well-pegged.
A bed fit for a carpenter's son.

Just wait till we get back to Nazareth.
I'll teach you everything I know.
You'll learn to use the cedar wood, eucalyptus and fir
You'll learn to use the drawshave, axe and saw,
Your arms will grow strong, your hands rough – like these
You will bear the pungent smell of new wood
and wear shavings and sawdust in your hair.

You'll be a man whose life centres on hammer and nails and wood. But for now, sleep, little Jesus, sleep

Ron King 20<sup>th</sup> century

## **Kid Stuff**

The wise guys tell me that Christmas is Kid Stuff... Maybe they've got something there-Two thousand years ago three wise guys chased a star across a continent to bring frankincense and myrrh to a Kid born in a manger with an idea in his head..... And the bombs crash all over the world today the real wise guys know that we've all got to go chasing stars again in the hope that we can get back some of the Kid Stuff born two thousand years ago

Frank Horne 20<sup>th</sup> century

## HEALING MINISTRY

## From the earliest times Christians were involved in prayers for healing.

Religious communities offered hospitality to the sick, grew and used herbs to help with healing through the ages, and they were the founders of hospitals. We are following in this tradition and will be offering laying-on of hands, and prayers for healing, at the end of the service on the first Sunday of each month at Erpingham.



During this time the choir will sing or the organist / / \ will play. Requests for prayer will be confidential. It will be a time when the congregation will keep silent prayer. Prayer such as this often brings comfort.

We offer this healing prayer to anyone who would like to come, and we welcome you to church.

# CHRISTMAS IN SCARROWBECK THIS DECEMBER



Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>

Chocolate Nativity

Calthorpe church

4pm

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm

Christmas songs with ukeleles

The Spread Eagle

Fríday 12th 6.30pm

Carols

Hanworth Memorial hall

Sunday 14<sup>h</sup> 6pm Carol s by Candlelight

Erpingham church

FRIDAY 19th

Carols

Alby church

6.30pm

followed by punch & nibbles

(please note correction of day from November magazine)

Sunday 21st 6.30pm

Carols Service

Ingworth Church

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>

Carol Service

Gunton Chapel

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WEDNESDAY24th

Candlelit Communion

8pm

and Carol Service

Erpingham Church

(please note correction of day from November magazine)

Christmas Day

Carol Service

Thwaite Church

## Do you want something to do this winter? Do you knit or crochet?

We are hoping to make a supply of lap blankets to keep in the church to help with chilly knees and hands.

Would you be willing to knit/crochet one? All we ask is that it's not lacy – (fingers can easier get caught in the holes) and easily washable. A baby blanket is about the right size, and it can be a plain or patterned as you feel like doing.

There are patterns on **Revelry**, for both the knitter or crocheter, but if you'd like to have a copy of a pattern sent to you please drop me an email:

belindanortheyis@outlook.com or give me a ring 01263732882





## Learn to Crochet With Jilly

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- ♥ Workshops are provided on a one to one basis, or up to a group of 3 friends,
- ◆ Book your session(s) between 10.00am and 4.00pm on Saturdays.
- ▼ There is also a weekly Thursday evening crochet group where you can practise your new found skills with help at hand.

## What's included in the price?

Crochet hook, wool and pattern on your first lesson - Tea, coffee and biscuits - Friendly atmosphere with lots of laughter and fun.

## Erpingham with Calthorpe Village Hall 200 Club July 2025 monthly draw winners

## October 2025 monthly draw winners

The draw took place at "Cake & Coffee" in the Village Hall on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

The winning numbers were: £30 prize: Number 72

£20 prize: Number 172

As well as the monthly draws of £30 & £20, there is a Grand Draw in December with prizes of £250, £200, £150 & £100. For a one off payment of £12 a year you stand the chance of winning up to £610! All profits go towards the upkeep and maintenance of the Village Hall. Peter Gidman is the administrator of the 200 Club. If you are interested in joining the waiting list for a number, please contact him at:

peterjgidman@gmail.com Tel No: 07425 219292



# A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us for our Macmillan Coffee Morning on 29th October 2025 at Erpingham with Calthorpe Village Hall

We are incredibly grateful to those who generously donated delicious cakes, contributed to our raffle, and to all our wonderful volunteers. It was a fabulous morning, with old and new friends coming together to enjoy a cuppa and a slice (or two) of cake.

Thanks to your generosity, support and enthusiasm, we raised an amazing £830.00 which will make a real difference to those affected by cancer. Every penny raised helps support people with cancer—emotionally, physically, and financially.

Once again, thank you all for making our Macmillan Coffee Morning a resounding success!

**Rosalind Horne** 



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We are proud to say that due to the money raised from pub quizzes, and your kind support, there is now a defibrillator on the pub wall facing Eagle Road and The Street

## **COFFEE AND CAKE AT ERPINGHAM**

Our final weekly Wednesday morning coffee morning of 2025 will be on **17**<sup>th</sup> **December**. We will re-open for 2026 on **Wednesday 7**<sup>th</sup> **January**.

Many thanks to all our regulars and helpers for your support and generosity during the past year. If you've never been to one of our coffee mornings, please feel free to come along to Erpingham & Calthorpe Village Hall any Wednesday morning between 10.30 and mid-day, we'd love to see you.



Something new for 2026 will be phone and computer skills from:

## "TECH SKILLS FOR LIFE"

Holli Holmes, the County Tech Coach, will help and advise on IT skills including Text Messaging, Whatsapp, Phone Data Storage, Digital Switchover and using the NHSA App.

Holli will be at the coffee mornings on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 11<sup>th</sup> February and 11<sup>th</sup> March.

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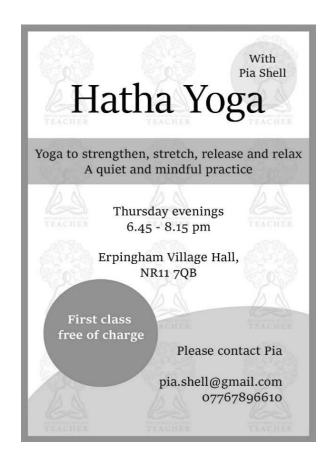
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Southrepps Chorale with Alexandra Bryant (soprano), Cathy Al-Bay (piano) and David Ballard (organ), directed by Dr. Susannah Self.

We would love you to join us:
SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2025 at 7:30 pm
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Refreshments at end of concert.
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## WHATS ON AT ERPINGHAM WITH CALTHORPE VILLAGE HALL



For booking enquiries contact

Tony Amies: 07979 381277 / email: amiesanthony@gmail.com

or Scan the above QR code for availability

Day	Activity	Time	Contact
Monday	Pilates	10am to 11am	Sally sally@remedyflows.co.uk 07788102328
Tuesday	Twinkle Toes Baby Massage - Music, Movement and Sensory Classes (by prior arrangement)	10am to 12:30pm	Amber babymassage.twinkletoes@gmail.com 07595167359
	Carpet Bowls (Sept to March)	7pm to 9pm	John johnsnelling0@gmail.com 07300 215830
Wednesday	Coffee Club	10am to 12pm	Tony mr.tonymoore@yahoo.co.uk
	Stretch Leisure	9:30am to 10:30am	Annamarie Stretch@daytimefitnessclasses.co.uk
Thursday	St Mary's mini melodies	11am 12pm	evebryantvocals@gmail.com
	Erpingham Young People's Choir	4:15pm to 5:15pm	evebryantvocals@gmail.com
	Yoga	6:45pm to 8:15pm	Pia pia.shell@gmail.com
Friday	Art Group	10am to 1pm	Jinny Vinden@sky.com 01263 768223
	Short Mat Bowls (Sept to March)	2pm to 4pm	John johnsnelling0@gmail.com 07300 215830



## WIND UP CHRISTMAS on SATURDAY 10th JANUARY



Join us for Jazz, soup, bread and cheese (and wine!)

## 12.30pm at Thwaite church

Monetary donations for Cromer Food bank



## **STOP PRESS**

As you will read in the Parish Council Report below; the Council are pleased to say that they are hoping to proceed with the improvement to the footpath up from the children's play area on The Street to Eagle Road. We don't have a date yet but, as the next KiT won't be until February, we wanted to give you notice. When the works are carried out we will have to close that path, possibly for up to 2 weeks. We hope the path will then be safer and more suitable for everyone to use. We will post updates when we have a definite start time.

## Report of Ordinary meeting of Erpingham and Calthorpe Parish Council held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November

In the chair Rob Goodliffe welcomed all those present and apologies were received from Cllr S Penfold (NCC). There were no Declarations of interest. The Council approved the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on September 10th 2025. Under matters arising on highways matters the 20mph limit proposal would be revisited in January. A location continues to be sought for the Calthorpe defibrillator. Under planning the 2-storey extension at Littlewood Lodge, Butts Common had been approved, and the Council has no objection to the new 3-bed dwelling on land N of the Street.

In his finance report the Clerk advised that, although the budget review and setting of the precept was on the agenda the NNDC timetable would allow the Council to defer these items until the January meeting, which would also include the decisions about grants for the year. The 2<sup>nd</sup>-half precept (£6985) had been received. Quotations for resurfacing the MUGA had been received and were reviewed; the Council approved the Simons Landscaping quote; the Clerk would place the order. The Council agreed to a contribution of £1000 to the Village Hall acoustic panels installation. The items on the budget and setting of the 2026-2027 precept were deferred to January. The Council approved payments due, for electricity, village hall, room hire grass cutting, a donation to the Royal British Legion, the bus shelter maintenance, the play area and MUGA inspection and the Clerk's salary.

On the play area the 2025 Annual Safety Inspection report had been circulated to members with no increased risks from 2024. The 'check' book was presented and signed off by the Chairman. On rectification work the Council reviewed the site meetings (3 members and Clerk) and the quotations/costs had been circulated. The Council noted that the annual reports differed in their conclusions/risk status so determined to make minor cosmetic improvements. The Clerk would obtain revised quotations for new swing seats, the wooden ramp, a new scramble net and the unstable upright post, including installation costs.

The Council reviewed the progress of the new path project – inc quotations received – the Chairman updated the Council on the progress for obtaining a licence from NNDC. The Council decided to approve the quote from Elite and proceed when the licence had been issued to the parish council. A Notice of temporary path closure would be needed. The Council adopted an IT Policy for Erpingham with Calthorpe Parish Council, and it would be placed on the Council's website. The Clerk advised that the new Council email address. was in operation and invited any members of the Council to contact him for details of their own new email address for their Council business. He reminded members that participation was optional but using a personal email placed a duty on members to observe GDPR regulations.

In reports the Clerk advised that he would have to re-enrol the Council with the Pensions Regulator, as required, by 31.3.26. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 14th January 2026. In members' reports the Council heard a brief report on current issues at NNDC; the Council's wreath had been laid at the Remembrance Service; information was shared about the SAM sign, the defibrillator battery, and 10 years of the Erpingham Hub.

The next meeting would include 'affordable homes' and the Council would consider bus shelter renewals with Alby w/Twaite pc. With no other business the meeting closed at 20.45.

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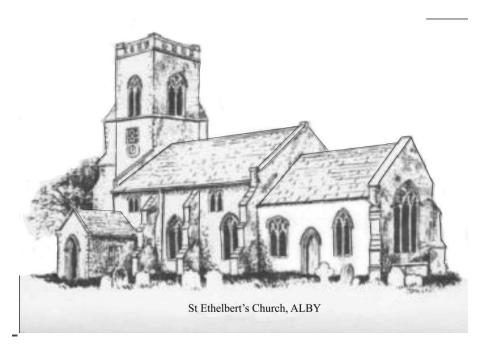
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