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Merry Christmas!

ST PETER & ST PAUL CHURCH

CHRIS NASH

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DECEMBER '99/JANUARY 2000 SERVICES

5 th Dec	Sung Eucharist and Bread Service	9.15 am
12 th Dec	NO SERVICE	
19 th Dec	Sung Eucharist	9.15 am
24 th Dec	CHRISTMAS EVE CELEBRATION (Details to follow mid-December)	4.30 pm
25 th Dec	CHRISTMAS DAY Sung Eucharist	10.15 am
1 st Jan	Sung Eucharist UNITED BENEFICE, WALGRAVE	10.30 am
1 st Jan	CELEBRATION 2000 SERVICE, SCALDWELL (Details to follow mid-December)	11.30 am
2 nd Jan	Sung Eucharist	9.15 am
9 th Jan	NO SERVICE	
16 th Jan	Sung Eucharist	9.15 am
23 rd Jan	Family Service	10.30 am
30 th Jan	UNITED BENEFICE, WALGRAVE	10.30 am

BREAD SERVICE – 5th DECEMBER

This unique service has been held annually for over 320 years in Scaldwell. Thomas Roe's will stipulated a December annual thanksgiving service with a sermon at which a loaf would be given to the poor families who attended.

Nowadays, the custom is for one of the specially baked loaves to be given to a member of each household attending (with some taken to the house-bound).

All are welcome to this special service.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S CHOIR SCALDWELL CHURCH, 4.30 PM

Please may I ask all children who would be willing to sing in the Children's Choir on Christmas Eve in the church, to attend a few rehearsals at the Old Barn, East End at the following times:-

Friday 3rd December, 5.30 pm – 6.00 pm
Friday 10th December, 5.30 pm – 6.00 pm
Friday 17th December, 5.30 pm – 6.00 pm
Christmas Eve morning, 11.00 am

There's NO age limit, upper or lower. PLEASE encourage as many as possible to join in this annual village event.

Margaret Vinton, Tel: 880359.

CHURCH FLOWERS AND CLEANING

Please let Sue Dodds-Smith (Tel: 881950) know if you are interested in helping with the flowers every so often, and please contact Chris Nash, (Tel: 880638) if you would be willing to help with cleaning the church.

PARISH COUNCIL

KATH FRANKLAND

Energy Conservation

Daventry Energy Conservation Group are offering grants for work to help homeowners keep warm such as:

- Loft insulation
- Cavity wall insulation
- Draught-proofing windows and doors
- Lagging hot water tanks
- Upgrading heating controls

For further information, contact:

Dave Malone (Tel: 01327 302277)

Daventry Care and Repair Service

Is also available to offer practical advice and guidance to elderly and disabled homeowners who need help to repair or improve their homes. I will put details of this service on the Village Notice Board.

Contact numbers: 01327 701622
01327 701623

Or write to: Daventry Care and Repair
The Abbey
Market Square
Daventry
NN11 4BH

Millennium

The Parish Council will be giving every Scaldwell child/young person of school age and pre-school age a commemorative mug to celebrate the millennium. Hopefully, these will be distributed during the Christmas holiday. We will also have extra mugs for sale, as we feel sure many adults may wish to buy them, either for themselves or for their 'grown up' children!

Library and Information Service

As I am sure all of you know, the new Brixworth Library (Tel: 882153) is now up and running. The opening hours at present are:

Monday	2.00 pm – 7.00 pm
Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday	CLOSED
Thursday	10.00 am – 1.00 pm 2.00 pm – 7.00 pm

Friday	2.00 pm – 5.00 pm
Saturday	10.00 am – 1.00 pm

SCALDWELL CLUB

ROGER MORGAN

We get the festive season off to a fine start with Christmas Starters on Sunday 19th December. You will have already received the flyer, asking you to bring along a plate of 'nibbles' on the day and offer a prize for the raffle – bottles (full, please) go down particularly well. The raffle is important and provides funds towards the cost of the pensioners Christmas dinner and Bonfire night celebrations. Members of the committee will be knocking on your door during the week beginning 6th December. Christmas Starters is always well attended and is a great opportunity for new or recent arrivals in the village to meet everybody.

We have had to rethink our plans for New Year's Eve, because so many villagers will be out and about at a number of parties and, subject to finding a perpendicular bar person with a clearish head, we will aim to uncork the free champagne on New Year's Day.

Towards the end of January we are planning to host a quiz – final date to be confirmed.

Sadly, Kettering Operatic Society could not fit us in to their hectic and demanding schedule last October but our Chairman has successfully secured a booking in the New Year and they will entertain and enthrall us on Saturday 26th February – tickets for this event always sell quickly.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everybody.

SPORTS CLUB

KATHY MORGAN

Many thanks to everyone who came to the Whist Drive on 13th, it was a really enjoyable evening with some very skilled players participating. Congratulations to the winner, Rebecca Sheldon who managed to carry away the cup, despite being a novice.

You may have noticed that court number one has had a face lift and now looks very smart. Play does continue through the winter, although the club nights have been suspended until the spring.

The AGM has been arranged for Monday 24th January at the slightly later time of 8.30 pm. Please come along and support the committee, we need to let you know our plans for the future and to allow you to make your feelings known. See you there.

If you are not already a member why not make a millennium resolution to join next year. It is a great way to keep fit whatever your standard of play.

Merry Christmas!

KEEP FIT (BODY CONDITIONING)

CHRISTINE HURST

Our classes will end this year on 20th December and recommence on Monday 10th January at 6.45 pm. Come along and work off all those seasonal excesses!!

If anybody wishes to know what the format is, please do not hesitate to call me.

(Chris Hurst, Tel: 881771)

MISCELLANEOUS

SCALDWELL PARISH TRUST AND SCALDWELL RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY

Allotments

At the recent meeting of the Trustees it was decided that there should be a small rise in the rents due for next year. The Charity allotments will go up from £2.75 to £3.00 each and there will be corresponding rises for the church allotments as well. These new amounts will be payable in December 2000 since the allotment rents are payable in arrears. Please speak to Alison Goodenough if you would like to take an allotment for the coming year.

Christmas Gifts

In past years the Relief in Need Charity has distributed any surplus funds it has at the end of the year by making Christmas gifts to pensioners. The Trustees wish to make such gifts this year and would like to know of all who are eligible to receive them. Please give details to me (Alison Goodenough) or to one of the Trustees. Further enquiries may also be made directly in the next few weeks and we would appreciate your co-operation with these. Anyone who has received gifts in previous years will qualify automatically.

DOGS

On Saturday 20th November at 4.30 pm approximately, there was an incident of someone being bitten by a dog in Back Lane. The dog was accompanied by two girls. Can anyone throw any light on this incident? This underlines the need to restrain dogs at all times. The attack was unprovoked and, although the wound was not serious, it was very alarming for the person concerned.

GARAGE DESPERATELY NEEDED

I am desperately looking for garage space for my beloved Morris Minor – can anyone help? I would be very happy to pay a rental charge. Please contact my mother on 880359.

Many thanks, Cat Vinton.

Congratulations to Paul and Sarah Hampden-Smith who got married on 18th September.

Welcome to the Village the Rush family who have moved into School Lane.

Welcome to the Village the Bell family who have moved into West End.

Frank Beers, who used to live on the green, died on 26th November at the age of 91. A great countryman and farmer, for many years he was chairman of the Parish Council. He was in the Territorials and served in 2nd World War reaching the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Until he left Scaldwell last year, he was our oldest inhabitant.

THANKS BRIAN!

As some of you will know Brian Hurst, who has very kindly printed the Scaldwell Newsletter free of charge for some time, is taking early retirement from Barclaycard – Hooray! We are very grateful for the time and effort he has put into the Newsletter over the past few years. It is much appreciated by us all and we would like to take this opportunity to wish him a long and happy retirement.

(If anyone would be willing to take on printing the Scaldwell Newsletter, could they please get in touch with either Gilly Tait Tel: 881462, or Sarah Keeping Tel: 880838. Thanks.)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

December	
5 th	Bread Service
7 th	New date for OAP's Dinner
19 th	Christmas Starters
24 th	Christmas Eve Celebration
25 th	Christmas Day Service

January	
1 st	Celebration 2000 Service
10 th	Keep Fit starts again
24 th	Sports Club AGM

February	
26 th	Kettering Operatic Society

**LAST DATE FOR
FEBRUARY/MARCH
NEWSLETTER:
20TH JANUARY 2000**