

WHISTON NEWSLETTER

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Happy Christmas to everybody

Chapel Services & Events

Services for November 6:30pm, for December
6th & 20th 2.00pm, 13th & 27th 9.30am.

Fellowship Group

Meet at the Chapel 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7.30
pm.

Christmas Carol service 20th December 2.00pm.

**Come & Meet Coffee Morning - Monday 21st
December 10.00 to 13.00.**

Please join us for all or any of these services

Contact for details, prayer needs etc.

Charlie Cotton –Tel 266591.

HELP

If anybody could spare up to an hour every
other month to distribute copies of the
newsletter from The Syned to Leys
Common please let Susan or Gerry know.

Susan Tel 260033, Gerry 266448

Ecumenical Prayer Group - all welcome!

Tuesdays 10:00 Open Prayer Meeting
St. Mildred's Church

Contact Jacquie Heaward on 750083

or

Mauveen on 266591

Whiston Walkers

Join us for some exercise AND pleasant views with
good company.

Next walks— **Sunday 8th November** and
13th December.

Meet at Ross Road at 11am.

Usual walking gear, bring own lunch, dogs on lead
please.

Details contact Gerry 266448

St Mildred's Church, Services and Events

Services 9:30am, except 3rd Sunday – 11am
5th Sunday Benefice Service is at a different
advertised church in the benefice.

Coffee Mornings in Church: -

Monday 2nd November 10—12 and

Monday 7th of December 10—12

We appreciate your support, our last coffee morning
raised £138.80.

Messy Church at St. Mildred's from 4 - 6 pm.

22nd November - Theme - St. Andrew

*13th December - 2.00pm - Christmas drama and
Carol Service followed by sherry & mince-pies.*

CHRISTMAS MARKET – Saturday 5th December from
12 noon to 3-30pm. Come and enjoy refreshments and
we also hope to have stalls with crafts, cakes, bric-a
brac, raffle, plants, wreaths, children's games
& competitions, tea & coffee.

**Christmas Day - Joint Holy Communion Service with
The Chapel in church at 9.30am - everybody
welcome, come & celebrate Christs' birth.**

Contacts: -

Revd Carol Richardson – 372082.

For details of events etc. contact church wardens Joy
Prince on 702261 or Michael Harrison on 266233.

Benefice Christmas Meal

Will be at the Dapple Grey, Uttoxeter, from 7.30pm
on Friday 4th December. Cost £20.00 for 2. Booking
details to Michael Harrison, Tel 266233.

Whiston Village Hall

Having a celebration or a party? Why not book the Village Hall for your event.
Good facilities & rates. Village Hall Booking Sec – John Russell - Tel 266711

Regular Events – Monday - 10.15 – 11.15 Table Tennis – Ivan Kent Tel 266011; Badminton Evening - James Tel 266508. **Tuesday** - Bowls Evening – 7.30pm.-John Steele Tel 266142; **Wednesday** - Fitness Class 7.00pm.— **Thursday** – 10.00-12.00 Over 50's exercise - Mauveen Tel 266591.

NEW! village website www.whistonvillagehall.co.uk set up by the Village Hall Committee.



Meetings are held in the village hall on the second Thursday of each month at 7.30 pm.

Visitors and new members are always welcome. If you are local and have a transport problem we may be able to help.

Our October Ten-pin bowling event was again a big success and we are looking forward to our November meeting when Bill Durose will be presenting "The History of English Folk Music".

In addition to our regular swimming, walking and choir activities we are starting Book Club, the first meeting is on 17th November please ring Hilary Corby on 754842 for more details.

Our Christmas Party is this year will be held at the Red Cow in Werrington.

For more information please ring either Diane Sharman, President on 299385 or Bridget Johnson, Secretary on 266373 or just come along.

Christmas Presents

Handmade chocolates created in Whiston. Orders now being taken. Prices from £1.50 to £12. Ring Donna for more details on 07814438411

**Articles for next edition: - January/
February by 15th December at the latest.**

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and /or

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Restoration of the Village Pinfold

The area of the Pinfold has been excavated and all the soil removed. The remnant stone walls have been taken down and will be rebuilt by the Churnet Valley Living Landscape Partnership walling professionals, assisted by volunteers from Staffordshire Wildlife Trust. A number of old glass bottles and earthenware jars have been found, together with other interesting items including a woman's shoe, a Victorian halfpenny and a small horseshoe. Access will be by way of a new gate in the North-East wall as the original led directly on to the A52.

If you want to know more about the project then visit the new village website, set up by the Village Hall Committee, at www.whistonvillagehall.co.uk and click on "Links".

WHISTON ACTION GROUP – full up to date details see the website at :- www.whiston-action-group.co.uk

The present main concern is the consideration by the Planning Committee of SMDC of the application by Laver Leisure for the provision of 250 dwellings (100 to be for sale) and ancillary works which will create another village at the old Moneystone Quarry site. If approved it will mean 1300 cars per day at peak periods going along Whiston Eaves Lane to and fro the site. The Planning Committee could consider the plans as early as November. There is still time for you to make representations about the traffic volumes, environmental impact from traffic, road safety re A52 junction. If you wish, Paul or Nick will forward your concerns to SMDC - details below.

You can contact WAG via: e-mail info@whiston-action-group.co.uk. Or Tel Paul Housiaux on 01538 266385 or Nick Cresswell on 07850 336587