

St Mary's Acton
St David's Wettenhall &
St Oswald's Worleston
December 2022



The Cross Country Parishes
of
Acton, Church Minshull,
Wettenhall & Worleston.

Dear Friends

Jesus is not just for Christmas

It was Midsummer's day on the Royal Cheshire Showground. The Bishop of Stockport paused before he began his 'Thought for the Day' during the 8.00 Communion and said: "There's a Christmas tree being decorated outside the marquee."



His eyes were not deceiving him. The team of children's workers who run *Messy Church at the Show* had set to erecting and decorating a Christmas tree outside the *Church at the Show*.

After careful thought and prayer, the *Messy Church* team had conceived the idea of a Christmas theme for the activities which they were offering at the Show. It was an idea born, not only of thought and prayer, but by the realisation that even their own grandchildren didn't know the Christmas Story as it appears in the Bible.

That's the problem with the Christmas Story. We are often so familiar with it we look to improve it; especially if there is a primary class of 30 children all needing a part. The biblical version of the Christmas Story is too simple; too brief. The miracle had occurred 9 months earlier when Mary conceived Jesus. The birth is barely mentioned; recorded only by Luke in a few short verses, with Matthew reporting the events of a couple of years later when the Magi visited and the flight into Egypt followed. All we know from Luke is that Jesus was born in the area of the house used to shelter animals in the winter. Angels sang over Bethlehem and shepherds found a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths, just as the angels had said.

Behind this brief story lies a wonder which is also too familiar to us. Recording the angel's visit to Joseph after Mary conceived Jesus, Matthew tells us the baby will be *Emmanuel, God with us*.

Emmanuel, God with us. The very heart of the Christmas story in 4 short words, 3 of them telling us what the first word means. God with us, not just at Christmas, but all year round. God with us in the challenges of a cost of living crisis; God with us as the world around us feels fragile in so many ways. Maybe it's time we all remembered that Jesus is not just for Christmas.

Yours in the God who is with us all the time,

Revd Anne



*To you all from
the magazine
team*

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Sunday Services

Acton

- 4th Dec 11:00 am Communion, 6:30 pm Evensong
- 11th Dec 8:00 am Communion, 11:00 am Morning Prayer
- 18th Dec 10:30 am Messy Church, 5:00 Carol Service
- 25th Dec 11:00 am Communion,
- 1st Jan 11:00 am United Communion

Church Minshull

- 4th Dec 11:00 am Service of the Word, 1:00 pm Baptism
- 11th Dec 11:00 am Cafe Church
- 18th Dec 11:00 am Messy Church
- 25th Dec 9:30 am Communion
- 1st Jan 11:00 am United at Acton

Worlestone

- 4th Dec No Service
- 11th Dec 9:30 am Communion,
- 18th Dec 5:00 pm Carol Service
- 25th Dec 9:30 am Communion,
- 1st Jan 11:00 am United at Acton

Wettenhall

- 4th Dec 11:00 am Morning Prayer
- 11th Dec 11:00 am Communion
- 18th Dec 4:00 pm Carol Service
- 25th Dec 10:30 am Communion
- 1st Jan 11:00 am United at Acton



St David's Church Wettenhall

Sidespersons

Cleaning & Flowers

4 th	Dec	Mr N Moss	Mrs H Moss
11 th	Dec	Mrs M Sherry	Mrs A Brooks
18 th	Dec	Churchwardens	
25 th	Dec	Mr G Tucker	Mrs A Hignett & Mrs A Hancock
1 st	Jan	United at Acton	

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Condolences

We extend our deepest sympathy to Anne & Robert Brooks and their families on the death of Anne's mother in October.

St David's Christmas Services

This year we are very much hoping to celebrate Christmas with a bit more normality than the past two years!

Thank You

At the end of the year it's appropriate to thank everyone who has worked so hard to support our churches in so many unseen, different ways. We are grateful to those who compile and deliver the magazines month by month; those who bake and provide refreshments at the end of the services; those who welcome parishioners; those who put flowers on the altar and decorate for the festivals; those who Hoover, dust and polish with increasing regularity!

We are always grateful for extra help, so if you think you could help in any way, please contact either of the churchwardens who will be very happy to hear from you.



Calvey School children are performing items from the Nativity in St. David's at 2pm on 6th December.

On Sunday 18th December we hold our annual Carol Service followed by mince pies and mulled wine. Please note, this will be at the earlier time of 4pm.

On Christmas Eve our Crib Service will also be at 4pm when we welcome Shepherds, Kings and Angels from far and wide. Come ready prepared or choose when you get there! All ages welcome!

Children's Society Boxes

Many thanks to all those who returned their Home Collecting Boxes and to those who gave donations at the service in November. The sum of £60 was forwarded to further the wonderful work of the Children's society.

Coffee & Cake

**The next meetings will be on
Thursday 8th December & 5th January
from 10-12 noon! in Church.
Everyone is very welcome to pop in for
as little or as long as they wish.**



St. David's Comedy Night October 2022

As the nights get longer our faces can get longer too! So, what better remedy for this seasonal problem than a comedy evening at St. David's church. We are fortunate to have Adrian Burrows in the congregation at Wettenhall, known professionally as Don Reid – comedian.

Although he keeps threatening to retire Don keeps on turning up in the late Autumn at St. David's each year. This year was no exception and on 15th October he took to the stage with Chris Pope as his support act and IT specialist. It was a great night of classic comedy film clips. Pam Ayres was fantastic as a long-suffering wife with an overbearing, ranting, husband. Don talked about his life on the stage and comedians he had written for or worked with. He told jokes and funny stories which gave us all a good laugh which worked up an appetite for the incredible food prepared and provided by members of the church, with Audrey Howard at the helm.

It was a huge team effort to prepare, serve and clean up after the feast ready for the second half of the show. After yet more laughter we were able to finish the night tired and happy. We would like to thank all who bought, baked, brought, delivered, washed up, set up and turned up for the Comedy Evening. It raised the spirits and also £795 for St. David's.

THANK YOU ADRIAN.



Cholmondeston and Wettenhall Parish Council

The next meeting will take place in
St. David's at 7.30pm
on Wednesday 14th December.



Wishing you a
Very Merry Christmas
And
A Happy and Healthy
New Year
From all at
St David's



Darnhall Brownies

Georgia and Elizabeth paraded the 1st Darnhall Brownies Flag at St. David's All Age service in October.

In November they held a Halloween party with apple-bobbing, pumpkin carving and fancy dress competitions, kindly judged by Audrey Howard. The Brownies had a great time celebrating Halloween and we are pleased to welcome Anna, Freya and Millie into 1st Darnhall Brownies as they have all taken their Brownie promise

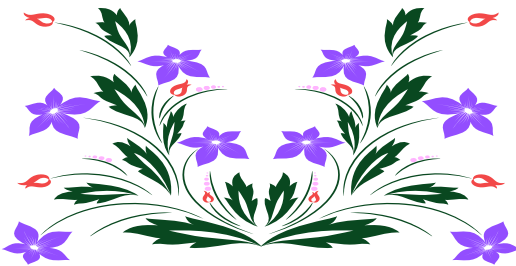


Darnhall Brownies

Christmas Craft Fayre



Darnhall Village Hall
30th November from 6:15 pm
All Are Welcome



Cholmondeston and Wettenhall Parish Council

Community Orchards

Orchard trees are loaded with shining fruits this Autumn. Are you interested in eating lovely fresh apples or pears from trees growing in our local area? Cheshire East Council has announced that it has funding to establish community orchards. It includes covering the costs of buying trees, sundries such as tree supports and tree protection, and training local people to prune and care for the trees. Groups of interested people can come together to plant the trees and start the process. But first we need a piece of land on which to plant the orchard. It needs to be about the size of a tennis court and have access for people to care for it in the long term. It can be anywhere in our parish boundaries. If someone has an even more generous piece of land available, Cheshire East can help us to create a community forest to increase biodiversity in this beautiful parish. If you are interested in this project please contact any member of the Parish Council.

Contact the Parish Council clerk Mark Bailey on m Bailey87@hotmail.com or Heather Pope on hclp@btinternet.com .

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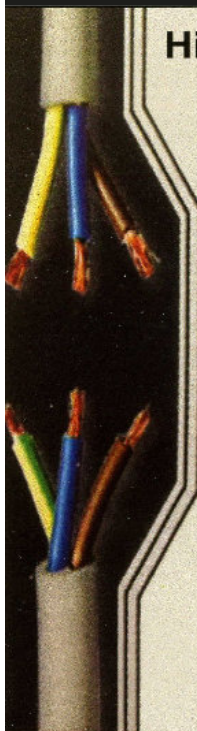
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4 th Dec	11am Charles & Sue Hull - 6:30pm Philip Percival
11 th Dec	Gill Evans & Elizabeth Bull
18 th Dec	Tracey & Peter Foster
24 th Dec	Charles & Sue Hull
25 th Dec	Christine & Chris Barratt
1st Jan	Ena Furber & Kath Edwards

Visit: www.stmarysacton.org

Joy to the World



At St. Mary's, Acton we would like to invite you all to travel around the world with us this Christmas time. Many of us have stayed at home over the last couple of years, and in order to broaden our thoughts and to taste the delights of foreign lands, we have themed our annual Christmas tree festival on countries from all over the world.

The festivities will begin on **Friday 2nd December** when pupils from Acton CE Academy, our village primary school, will open the festival with a selection of songs in the afternoon at approx. 2:30 pm.

On **Saturday 3rd December** the doors will open at 10:00 am and visitors will be welcome throughout the day. Various activities will be available including quizzes and refreshments. Our Christmas Concert will be held on Saturday evening starring The Funky Choir – tickets available from Stephan Davies.



On **Sunday 4th December** the festival will be open to visitors after the morning service and will continue until around 5:00 pm. All are welcome and during the afternoon the church will host our weekly community tea event, Tea at the Tower. In addition to the delicious teas, we will enjoy live music and you will be able to lose yourself in the sparkle from our forest of decorated trees.

For further information on any of these events please contact **Claire tel: 01270 611803**



Music at Acton Church

Play an instrument.....like to sing?

A group of us have been meeting on a Saturday afternoon monthly to play folk-based hymns and folk tunes. At the moment we have an accordion, viola, recorders, mandolin and pianica. It's all for fun with no specific aim (at the moment!) and if you would like to join us please get in touch.

Also on offer.... for those interested in singing, a short session following the morning service 2nd Sunday of the month, singing rounds, Taize, new worship songs....all for getting our voices going again!

Be good to hear from you

Peter Foster 01270 626802.



Tea at the Tower Guided Walks

4 December (coincides with the Christmas Tree Festival)

8 January 2023

5 February 2023



Tea at the Tower is open every Sunday from 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm.

On the above dates there is a guided walk departing the church at 12:45 pm Nick organises circular walks varying between 3 to 5 miles. Then return to the church for a refreshing cup of tea or coffee and a slice of delicious cake.

The pace of the walks is relaxed, and the routes generally involve canal towpath and lane walking. The footpaths should be good (also hopefully dry?) and only a small number of stiles are negotiated. Stout outdoor shoes or walking shoes / boots are recommended.

For further information please phone Nick Harley, Lead Walker, on 01270-620612 or 07710983125.

A Prayer for Christmas 2022

Lord, in the midst of the anxieties

Of these troubled times

We pray to you for courage

And strength to face the future.

Dear Father, help us to treasure

The sacrament of this blessed season.

May our love for you shine at the anniversary

Of your birth, reminding us that your heavenly gifts

Are priceless compared with baubles,
bangles and beads.

Bless all our loved ones. Hold them

Lovingly in your arms and help them

To face what they must.

Father, bless the many who keep us safe.

Your Son died for us upon the cross,

May he forgive our many transgressions.

And teach us how to serve you, to carry out
your will

And give us wisdom and compassion

To care for those who feel despair and
hopelessness.

May you always be with us

Upholding us all in times of trouble.

Sue Hull



*Wishing you all
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year
From
St Mary's*

Wedding

Stuart Vaughan and Jessica Thayer

get married at Acton Church on December
28th 2022 - we wish them every happiness in
their future lives together

Acton Church Clock – In the Nick of Time

Like many church towers, Acton Church Tower has a clock. Many tower clocks have been replaced over the years; Betley Church clock, for example, is in Nantwich Museum. Wybunbury Tower clock was fitted new in 1920 as a memorial to those who had died in the First World War. In 2008 this clock, which also chimes and was originally wound by hand every seven days, was electrified. The clock in Wrenbury Church tower also chimes. This clock is wound by hand each week by the bell ringers.

In Acton, the clock, which was built by Peter Clare in Manchester in 1788, also chimed originally and has continued to be wound each week by the bell ringers. The chime no longer works although until very recently the clock has kept good time. David Allman (a bell ringer) climbed the tower to wind the clock each week, even during lockdown in 2020 when permitted.

The cupboard in the tower, in which the clock is sited, has many notes written inside it, detailing previous clock repairs, by whom and in which year. The clock face on the outside of the church tower is over the nave of the church and much higher than the clock mechanism. The hands on the clock face are driven by gear wheels and rods that pass from the clock, up through the bell room and through the tower wall to the clock face on the outside.

All David's careful nursing of the Tower clock has kept it going but eventually the problems exceeded what even David could achieve. You will be pleased to hear that we have good news! On Monday 31st October, Stuart from the Cumbria Clock Company, arrived to remove the clock mechanism and transport it back to his specialist workshop in Penrith, Cumbria where a major overhaul will be undertaken. In addition, a new escapement wheel will be manufactured to the original design and specification. There are no plans to repair the chime or bring it into operation in the near future. We are very grateful to everyone who helped to pay for these repairs by supporting our fundraising Christmas Concert, 2021. We will keep you posted as to the progress of our *'patient'*! Hopefully next month there will be an update.

Chris Owen-Roberts & Stephan Davies



Forest Church

Forest Church October 2022

For our first open meeting we celebrated Harvest and the move from autumn to winter. What a happy morning we spent creating Autumn and the spirit of harvest.

Standing in a circle under the trees in Deana Emerton's garden, Penni Doyle spoke about many of the harvest traditions and in particular the importance of the "Circle". This was followed by the planting of a large circle with some 30 Snowdrops to the west of the Almshouses representing the anticipation of Spring and renewal.

We then, under the watchful eye of Ann Williams, created four colourful wall hangings representing North, South, East and West using leaves and cuttings which we had all collected from the churchyard. These are now on display under The Tower in St. Mary's. After enjoying apple cake and mulled apple juice we completed our devotions around a fire in the churchyard where Sue Hull read a moving poem while we reflected upon the power of "light".

Many thanks to Ann for the materials she provided and to Penny and Sue for their readings. The next meeting will be 18th February 2023 at 10:30 am, more details to follow.

For more details about Forest Church please see the website:

<https://stmarysacton.org/forest-church/>





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the hour prior to her State Funeral



Cross Country Pages

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

this month to

Daniel Alexander	Joseph Mason
Daniel Leather	Josie Cowap
Danielle Butler	Monty Alexander
Emily Drinkall	Nina Burrows
Emily Williamson	Oliver Sparks
Emma Revill	Romilly Tomlinson
Finley Burrows	Ruby Leather
Honor Nixon	William Ablard
Jack Latham	

Belated 18th Birthday greetings to
Adam Rowland who celebrated his
special birthday in November.

Condolences

To Rev. Anne on the death of her mother at the beginning of November.
We would like to assure Anne of our love and prayers and support

Acton United Charity

An opportunity exists on behalf of Acton United Charity, a local charity, for a person living within the parish of Acton to receive an annual financial gratuity.

The criteria for consideration for the annual gratuity is that the recipient would benefit from a financial gift and lives within the parish in one of the following areas: Acton; Burland; Brindley; Faddiley; Chorley; Reaseheath; Worleston; Aston-Juxta-Mondrum; Poole; Cholmondeston; Sound and Austerson.

Any person who believes he/she may benefit from the Acton United Charity gratuity is welcome to apply.

Please apply in writing to: Acton United Charity, c/o St Mary's Vicarage, Chester Road, Acton, Nantwich, CW5 8LG.

Or to revanne@uwclub.net

Please ensure you provide a letter of interest containing your name, address and contact number.

Ladies Lunch

Wednesday 14th December
Cheerbrook Farm, Nantwich
12:30 pm - Cost: £12
For Further details contact:
Isobel (624521), Ann (528273)
or Joyce (624158)

Mobile Library

Dec	Jan	Jan	Tuesdays	
20 th	10 th	31 st	Arrive	Depart
Badger Church Minshull			10:20	10:45
Home Farm Park South Lea Green			11:10	11:20
Home Farm Park North Lea Green			11:30	11:50
Wettenhall Church			12:05	12:20
Station Rd Calveley			13:35	13:55
Tollemache Arms Alpraham			14:05	14:30

Dec	Jan	Jan	Thursdays	
15 th	5 th	26 th	Arrive	Depart
Pinfold Craft Centre Poole			11:00	11:25
Worleston Station Aston Juxta Mondrum			11:35	11:45
Worleston Village			11:50	12:10

Dec	Dec	Jan	Thursdays	
1 st	22 nd	12 th		
Farmers Arms Ravensmoor			10:00	10:15
Goodwill Hall Faddiley			10:30	10:50
Greenfields Farm Gradeley Green			11:05	11:20

Christmas Shoe Boxes

A huge thank you to those who filled shoeboxes for children in Eastern Europe this year. For many, it is the only Christmas gift they receive and quite rightly known as 'Love in a Box!'

Thank You!



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Christmas Services 2022

Sunday 18th December

4:00 pm Carol Service at Wettenhall

5:00 pm Carol Service at Acton

5:00 pm Carol Service at Worleston



Saturday 24th December

4:00 pm Crib Service at Wettenhall

4:30 pm Christingle at Acton

5:00 pm Crib Service at Worleston

7:30 pm Sound & Light at Church Minshull

11:30 pm Midnight Communion at Acton



Christmas Day

9:30 am Communion at Church Minshull

9:30 am Communion at Worleston

10:30 pm Communion at Wettenhall

11:00 pm Communion at Acton



St Nicholas- usually known as Santa Claus

St Nicholas of Myra [Turkey] and Bari [Italy] , was an early Christian Bishop, born on 15th March 270 AD and died on 6th December 343 AD. He was born in Myra in Asia Minor [Turkey] at the time of the Roman Empire and was ordained into the priesthood by his uncle, who was then the Bishop of Myra. After visiting the Holy Land, he went to Myra to find that the bishop who had replaced his uncle had recently died. He became the bishop by entering the cathedral early in the morning to pray, the first priest to enter had been decreed to be the next Bishop.

There are several rather strange legends which surround St. Nicholas, far from the comforting images of the jolly Santa Claus. His reputation for secretly giving gifts arose when he heard of a poor father with three daughters and no dowry to enable them to marry. A life of prostitution seemed likely until Bishop Nicholas posted three gifts of gold coins through the open bedroom windows to provide their dowry for the future. People started to leave their shoes out and the Saint would secretly drop money into the shoes to support those in poverty. A more gruesome legend concerns a period of famine, when Nicholas discovered that a butcher had murdered and pickled three children to sell as ham. He resurrected them and this led to him being depicted in church windows and scripts with three children climbing out of a barrel. The story became hugely popular with ordinary families in the Middle Ages, but confusion resulted in Nicholas becoming the patron Saint of both children and brewers – many people believing that the barrel contained beer, not pickling brine.

When Bishop Nicholas died, he may have been first buried in a rock church on Gemile, an island with a fourth century church on which his name is painted and which was known as Saint Nicholas Island for centuries. In the 600's AD wars

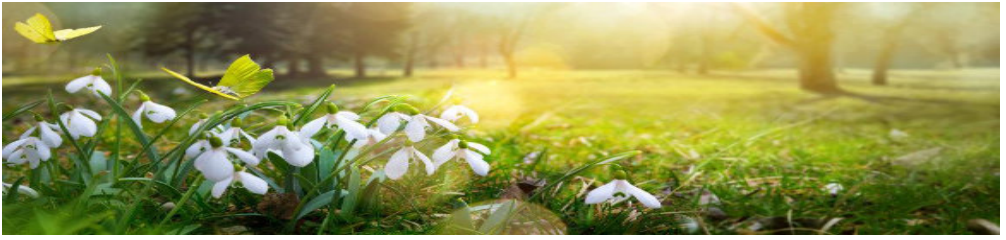
between Europeans and Arab nations made the bones liable to destruction, so they were moved back to Myra. Each year the burial site was said to exude a clear fluid, perfumed like rosewater and called myrrh or manna. It was said to have miraculous powers. St. Nicholas was not to rest in peace, in 1044 relics were taken to Venice and in 1071 Italian sailors took more of the relics to Bari, where Pope Urban II reburied them in 1089. There they continued to produce the myrrh, which was distributed across Europe along with other small bones, St. Nicholas becoming more famous each year.

Each year on 6th December a flask of the myrrh is still collected and distributed, there being many theories about the origin of the fluid. In May 2017 some of the relics were loaned to Russia and travelled to Moscow and St. Petersburg in a golden ark. Scientific examination of the bones in Bari and Venice indicate that they are likely to come from one man and are 4th Century bones, not later fakes. So where did Santa Claus come from? We have Dutch families settling in New Amsterdam [New York] to thank for him. They took their traditions of the secret gifts of Sinterklaas [St. Nicholas] with them and it spread across the Hudson Valley and eventually across the World.

Happy Christmas!



Heather Pope



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A Letter from the Chair of Governors

Dear All

Calveley Academy has re-opened its doors for the 2022-2023 school year!

Our fabulous new head teacher, Mrs Rudd, has had a fantastic first year with the school and can't wait to see what her second year at the helm has in store!

As part of this exciting time for the school, we have several vacancies on the governing board, and are inviting applications for new Community or 'Foundation' governors.

As a board, we work alongside Mrs Rudd, and the other fantastic staff, as well as the Trust, the parents and the children, to make sure the school continues to be a wonderful place for our children to come to school. We are welcoming involvement from people within our local and wider community who would perhaps like to give something back, or would like to share their skills, or want to learn more skills!

If you would like to get involved or would like to know more about what being on the governing board is about, please contact the school and ask for me, or Mrs Rudd, and we'll be thrilled to get to know you.

Please note all governing appointments will be subject to the usual checks.

Yours sincerely,

Verity – Chair of Governors

We are very grateful to Wardle Parish council for providing school with a metal airman and poppies to commemorate Armistice Day.

Thanks also to the FROCS school fundraising team for organising a fabulous Halloween disco for the children.

The children from Beech class enjoyed a trip to Safety Central last month. This is a great safety and life-skills education centre which teaches children how to prevent accidents in the home, on the roads, near railway lines and in many other everyday situations.



Remembrance

It was a very special day of reflection in St Oswald's Worleston C.E. Primary School on Friday 11th November as we held our remembrance service. Each year group lay their own handmade wreath at the Cross in the hall during our service. Mrs Cliffe (Interim Principal) also took our head and deputy head boys and girls to the cenotaph today at the Church to lay a special wreath. This special wreath was donated to school by the family of Pte Griffiths who was killed in action during the war. He was a pupil at St Oswald's.

Bikeability

Children in Years 4 and 5 took part in Bikeability this term. Bikeability is the government's national cycle training programme. It helps the children learn practical bike handling skills and understand how to cycle on today's roads. Bikeability develops the children's confidence to cycle and enjoy this skill for life. The children were tutored by Lisa who commented on how delightful, well behaved and well-mannered our children are at St. Oswald's Worleston C.E. All the children were a real credit to the school and their parents.

Jack the Geologist visits St. Oswald's

Children in Years 3 to 6 enjoyed a talk given by a Geologist Mr Jack Crofts. He spoke about his job as a geologist, presented some of the specialist equipment he uses and showed us some amazing rock samples. Many of the children were enthused, going on a rock hunt at playtime!





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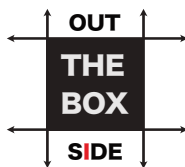


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Cooking time: 30-40 minutes per 450g plus 30-40minutes

Ingredients

- 1.25kg-1.3kg lean beef brisket joint
- 2 bay leaves, roughly broken
- 4 whole cloves
- 10 black peppercorns
- 2 star anise
- 1 cinnamon stick, broken in half
- 2 tablespoons demerara sugar
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 100g dried, ready to eat figs, left whole or halved
- 600ml mulled wine
- 2 tablespoons sunflower oil
- 175g carrots, peeled and cut into chunks
- 450g leeks, roughly chopped
- 4 small red onions, peeled and cut into quarters

Method

1. Season the brisket and place in a large casserole dish. In a small bowl mix together the spices, sugar, Worcestershire sauce, figs, and mulled wine. Pour over the brisket and mix to coat the joint. Cover, refrigerate and marinate for approximately 8 hours or overnight.
2. Preheat the oven to 170°C, 150°C Fan, Gas Mark 3.
3. Heat the oil in a large frying pan. Remove the joint from the marinade (do not discard), pat dry and brown on all sides. Return to the casserole dish with the marinade mixture and add the vegetables.
4. Bring to the boil, reduce the heat, cover, and simmer on the hob or in the oven for the calculated cooking time.
5. Rest, and then serve with the vegetables.

Enjoy!

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From the Registers

Baptisms

On 23rd October **Elsie Marie Baker**, daughter of Jordan and Domanie Baker was baptised at St Oswald's.

On November 13th, **Eleanor Smith**, daughter of Ben and Samantha Smith was baptised at St Oswald's.

We were glad to welcome them all to St Oswald's and into the family of the church.

Date for your Diary

On Sunday January 8th, 2023,
the Bishop of Chester,
Bishop Mark will be coming to St Oswald's
to the service at 9.30am

Wishing you all
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 Happy New Year
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Thanks

The end of the year seems a good time to thank all those volunteers who contribute to the life of St Oswald's. Thanks to cleaners, flower arrangers, coffee makers, readers, sidesmen/women, magazine deliverers, and those who keep the church yard in such beautiful condition. All these contributions are greatly appreciated.

Coffee & Cake

Saturday 3rd December
from 10-12 noon in Church.
Come along and enjoy Coffee, Cake and chat.
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Worleston WI

Worleston WI AGM was held on Wednesday 9th November at Acton Parish Hall.

At the meeting, nominations were taken from the new Committee Membership for the post for our next President. This was necessary as Rosalind Lea was standing down after three years in the role.

Marilyn Booth was voted as the next President and will start in this role from the next Committee Meeting.

Following this, reports were heard from Marilyn, Rosalind and Annita Grunner, our Treasurer, about the activities and speakers that we have seen at the meetings over the last twelve months.

During a break from business when tea and biscuits were served, a fun quiz on names of chocolates was organised by Jeanne Soddy with Annette Bonnett Groves winning and was presented with a gift of chocolates, of course.

This was followed by a Dominoes Competition, which was won by Carol Hocknell. Carol was congratulated and presented with The Stevenson Silver Rose Bowl by Rosalind.

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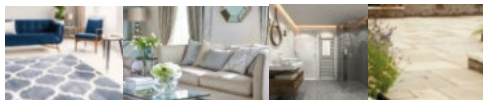
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