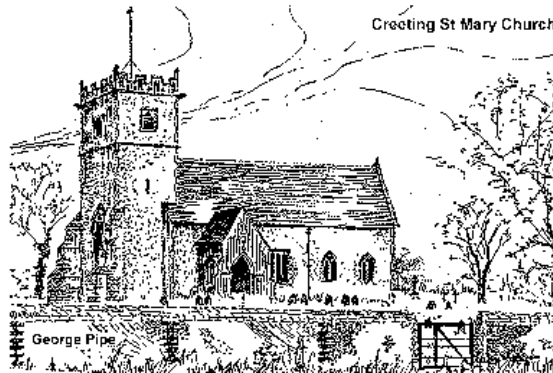


St. Marys Church Creting St. Mary

Parochial Church Council



18th May 2020

Parish Clerk Mrs Jennie Blackburn
The Knoll
1 All Saints Road
Ipswich IP6 8NF

Dear Jennie

Thank you for your invitation to join the Parish Council online 'Zoom' AGM on the 20th May. I will not be available to take part. However, I attach a brief synopsis of events that happened during 2019.

Best wishes, Hazel.

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St Mary's Church, Creeting St Mary

Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011:

The Commissioners and Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich consented to the creation of the new 'Benefice of North Bosmere' consisting of ten parishes, including Creeting St Mary, with effect from 1st June 2019. The Rector of which is Reverend Philip Payne.

Roof Repairs:

Following two years of fund raising and money from the Fabric Fund it was agreed to proceed with 'Phase Two' of the roof repairs to St Mary's Church. Our Treasurer, Mr Haynes, undertook the lengthy task to comply with legislation, complete forms to apply for Grants and asking for Donations to complete the work. However, it was well worth the effort as by the autumn the repairs were underway and completed before Christmas. We are very grateful to all those who helped and supported us during this very large project.

Throughout the year the PCC have supported the Refuge, Stowmarket Food Bank and the Salvation Army.

Fund Raising:

Fund raising keeps everyone busy Christian Aid Week, taking part in Suffolk Historic Churches Trust walk/cycle ride, providing refreshments at Open Gardens, Creeting House Cake Sale, Church History Evening, Harvest Festival Weekend, Christmas Tree Festival, School and Church Bazaar and the candlelit recital of Charles Dickens a 'Christmas Carol' all supported by our wider community.

A Churchyard Gift:

A chance conversation Mrs Clint had with a parishioner about our predicament with keeping the churchyard tidy resulted in Bosch of Stowmarket gifting a professional mower with batteries, a strimmer and a blower for use by all the organisations of the village. Sometimes miracles do happen.

Creeting St Mary CEVAP School:

The children of our village school enjoy coming into church for their services and in particular taking part in special Festivals.

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