



The Mundens with Sacombe Church and Parish Newsletter



JANUARY 2011

Sunday January 9th

10.30am	Holy Communion	Standon
10.30am	Morning Worship	Little Munden
*3.00pm	Holy Communion	St Catherine's, Sacombe

Sunday January 16th

*8.00am	Holy Communion	Standon
10.30am	United Morning Worship	Standon
3.00pm	Evening Prayer	Sacombe

Sunday January 23rd

10.30am	Morning Worship	Standon
10.30am	Holy Communion	Little Munden
3.00pm	Healing Service	Sacombe

Sunday January 30th

10.30am	United Holy Communion	Sacombe
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Sunday February 6th

*8.00am	Holy Communion	Standon
10.30am	United Morning Worship	Little Munden
*6.00pm	Choral Evensong	Standon

*service from Book of Common Prayer

A short service of Holy Communion is held every Tuesday morning at 9.30am at St Catherine's, Sacombe, and prayers are said every Thursday morning at 9.15am in the upper room at All Saints', Little Munden. You would be warmly welcomed at any of these services.

Rector: Revd David Payne, The Vicarage, Standon Tel. 01920 821390
Curate: Revd Lindsey Moss. Tel 01920 822077

Churchwardens:

The Mundens		Sacombe	
Jenny Macintosh	438286	Diane Gale	438493
Anthony Taylor	830390	Carole Hudson	438379

Websites:

www.achurchnearyou.com/littlemunden www.achurchnearyou.com/sacombe

Bible Readings for January

Jan. 2 nd	Epiphany	Isaiah 60: 1-6, Matthew 2: 1-12
Jan. 9 th	Baptism of Christ	Acts 10: 34-43, Matthew 3: 13-17
Jan.16 th	Second Sunday of Epiphany	1 Corinthians 1: 1-9, John 1: 29-42
Jan.23 rd	Third Sunday of Epiphany	1 Corinthians 1: 10-18, Matthew 4: 12-23
Jan.30 th	Epiphany 4 - Candlemas	Hebrews 2: 14-18, Luke 2: 22-40
Feb. 6 th	Fifth Sunday before Lent	1 Corinthians 2: 1-16, Matthew 5: 13-20

Abandoned Baby

He was found in a cardboard box on the doorstep one cold and frosty morning. It seemed that the family concerned couldn't cope with the thought of him, or had no wish to face the consequences which his arrival had brought. And now, here he was, insulated from the cold by the paper packed around him, waiting for someone to pick him up. The dustman did later that morning, and the Christmas card of baby Jesus was recycled as an egg box. After all, sentiment is sentiment, but waste is waste.

How contrary the season of Christmas is. We find ourselves caught up in hype and anticipation, but by the turn of the year, most of us are glad to move on, slotting back into the familiar routine, leaving behind all thought of the birth of baby Jesus.

The idea of leaving Jesus in the manger suits us. While he's there, we've got him where we want him. He's too vulnerable and babylike to threaten our agenda. As a friend of mine once remarked, we spend the first three years of our children's life teaching our children to talk, and the rest of our lives worrying about what they'll say next.

Apart from the odd gurgle, Jesus in the manger remains silent. And just as King Herod tried to head off the danger of what an adult Jesus might grow into and claim, we cut ourselves off from what he might say to us with our twenty-first century mixture of cynicism and weariness.

Albert Einstein as a baby never proposed the theory of relativity; baby Shakespeare produced no sonnets; even baby Mozart didn't compose much before the age of six months. They needed the chance to be heard as adults. The same applies to Jesus who by the age of thirty-three produced a movement that turned the known world order over and revealed the true nature of God. We need to let him grow up and hear what he has to say. It's just too important to be lost at birth.

Men's Breakfast: 8.30am, 15th January at Little Munden Memorial Hall, Dane End.

An open invite to a cooked breakfast followed by a short talk by Alan Comfort, former professional footballer addressing how being a Christian has affected his life and work. We will be finished by 10am. Whatever your views or beliefs you are welcome to join us. For more details please contact Anthony Taylor (830390), Hugh Legg (438021) or David Plummer (01763 273152) or simply turn up on the day, there is no need to book in advance.

Churchyard tidy up.

Please join a working party at All Saints', Little Munden Church on **Saturday 5th February at 9.30 am** to tidy the churchyard, to especially finish off trimming the hedges and collecting-up fallen branches. Please bring your own gardening equipment with you. We hope to see you on the 5th, The Mundens, Churchwardens.

ISABEL HOSPICE

FEBRUARY

Thu 3 Feb - Thu 10 Feb

Mellow Yellow Charity Art Exhibition

Artshed Arts Centre, Westmill Farm, Westmill Road, Ware,

Sat 26 Feb

Jumble Sale - Thundridge

14:30 - 16:30

Thundridge Village Hall. Time: 2.30pm. Details 01920 462992

BADMINTON

Both Juniors and Seniors Badminton resumes on Wednesday 12th January 6.30pm onwards.

Brian would like to thank everyone for their best wishes, whilst exercising himself back to full fitness, during his walks around the village.

John and Brian

GREAT MUNDEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Next meeting: Tuesday 18th January
7.30pm Great Munden Church**

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Thu 3rd - Thu 10th

Mellow Yellow Charity Art Exhibition

In aid of Isabel Hospice and in partnership with Artshed Arts Centre, Westmill Farm, Westmill Road, Ware. Closing date for submission of work Monday 10th January

Information: Lyn Andrews 01920 466446

UDDER NONSENSE

A certain Moira White was most disturbed to read in her local paper this week that 'a train from Dumries hit a cow on its way to Glasgow yesterday'. She wonders how they knew the cow was heading for Glasgow!

Beane Valley Children's Centre

We have some changes to our programme for the Spring term.

Our Benington Stay and Play is changing from Thursday afternoon to Friday afternoon from 1.30 until 3pm.

We have a new group starting in Aston village hall on Thursday afternoons from 1.30 until 3pm. This will be a music and story time session.

A Baby Massage course will start on February 28th for five weeks at Watton Community Hall. The course costs £15 and you will be supplied with a bottle of massage oil to take home. These courses have proved very popular in the past so please ring on the number below to book your place.

Family First Aid – 2 hour course as an introduction to basic first aid. We have arranged to hold two separate courses on 19th February 10 until 12 noon and 7th March 7.30 until 9.30pm. The cost is £5 per person. During our Saturday Stay and Play on 12th March, there will be a beginner biking session run by qualified Early Years Cycle Trainers.

The idea of the session is to help young children learn to ride their bikes without stabilisers. One child per parent/carer. The cost is £2 per pair (adult/child). Please call the number below for further details.

The Centre number is 01920 831053 to book on any course or to find out further information. Our website is www.beanevalley.org.uk.

Interesting Trivia

1. How long did the Hundred Years' War last?
2. Which country makes Panama hats?
3. From which animal do we get cat gut?
4. In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
5. What is a camel's hair brush made of?
6. The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
7. What was King George VI's first name?
8. What colour is a purple finch?
9. Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
10. What is the colour of the black box in a commercial airplane?

Gardening Club
Monday, 9th January
at 7.45 p.m.

in the Memorial Hall

Planning meeting - we need your help!

**Please bring your ideas
for future meetings along.**

**If you have any gardening contacts
who you think could talk to us
then please bring along
their contact details**

New members and visitors welcome

NOTICE of MEETING of LITTLE MUNDEN PARISH COUNCIL.

**The next meeting will be held at:
Little Munden JMI School
Thursday 20th. January 2011.
Starting at 8pm.
All parishioners are welcome.**

The DameEnders womens group meet on the first Thursday of each month for details: Linda Young 438560, Sharon Johnson 438468, Josie Barnard 438700



LITTLE MUNDEN MEMORIAL HALL

Children's parties : £9 per hour (up to 6.30pm)

Other functions : £12 per hour

For further information: Clio Bromley at 5, Kingfield Road, Dane End - **01920 438902**

POSTCARDS

Last year **£13, 600** was raised for the Sudan Church Association for work in the Sudan. Please save your postcards and take them to: Barbara Springate, Little Munden School, All Saints Church, St. Catherines Church or give them to me: Jackie Morris. Thank you, keep them coming in!

THE MUNDENS WEBSITES

www.mundens.net

If you have any updates, comments or suggestions for the website please contact Carol Bartels

webmaster@munden.net).

www.themundenssource.myfreeforum.org

A place for the residents of The Mundens and surrounding area to find a friend, sell some stuff or skills. Post forthcoming events or just gossip and news.

www.hertsmemories.org.uk

Take a look at this most interesting website.

Walking in Herts www.walkinginherts.co.uk

POLICE CONTACT DETAILS

EMERGENCY/CRIME OCCURRING NOW 999

Non-emergency number 0845 33 00 222

Inspector 913 Damien Kennedy 01992 533127

Sergeant 1714 Duncan Wallace 01992 533328

Rural PCSO 6577 Jo Alston 01992 533330

Rural PC 669 Kevin Gibbs 01992 533329

Schools PCSO 6673 Janet Geach 01992 533329

Anti-Social Behaviour Co-ordinator 01992 531423

CRIMESTOPPERS 0800 555 111

Call anonymously with information about crime.

DEAF, HARD OF HEARING?

Please text 07786 207 091 including who is needed - Police, Fire or Ambulance, where they are needed and what the problem is.



POLICE SURGERY

Every Saturday 2-4pm in
The Police Station, Buntingford.

DANE END STORES AND POST OFFICE 01920 438984

Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm
Closed Wednesday afternoons
Saturday 8am to 6pm
Sunday 8.30am to 12.30pm
Bank Holidays 9am – 12pm

Magazines and newspapers can be ordered.
Local products including bread, cakes,
honey, free range eggs, pies etc.
Munden cakes and biscuits.
Farmers Market produce and
We stock Euros!

Playdays Toddler Group (Dane End)

Contacts: Jo Willis and Isabel Teare

Phone: 01920 438633

email: jo.willishome@googlemail.com,
isabel.teare@gmail.com

Venue: Little Munden Memorial Hall, Dane End

Times: Mondays during term time from 9.45 to 11.45am.

Cost: £2 for an adult and first child, plus 50p for each subsequent child.

ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

- 1) 116 years
- 2) Ecuador
- 3) Sheep and Horses
- 4) November
- 5) Squirrel fur
- 6) Dogs
- 7) Albert
- 8) Crimson
- 9) New Zealand
- 10) Orange (of course!)



DANE END UNITED

Fixtures 2010/11

9.1.11

16.1.11 DE Utd v White Lion away L

23.1.11 DE Utd v Haileybury or Gremlins H LCC

30.1.11 ?

Results

13.12.10 DE Utd 5 v Goffs Oak Comrads 1

Scorers: H.Mead, T.Davey 2, D.Thurgood,
L.Chinell

PHONE FUN - Directory Enquiries

Caller: "I'd like the RSPCA please".

Operator: "Where are you calling from?".

Caller: "The living room".

Then there was the caller who asked for a knitwear company called Woven.

Operator: "Woven?. Are you sure?".

Caller: "Yes. That's what it says on the label - Woven in Scotland".

British Rail - Customer: "How much does it cost to Bath on the train?".

Operator: "If you can get your feet in the sink, then it's free".

Customer: "I've been ringing 0800 2200 for two days and can't get through to enquiries, can you help?".

Operator: "Where did you get that number from, sir?".

Customer: "It was on the door to the Travel Centre".

Operator: "Sir, they are our opening hours".

AND FINALLY A WORD FROM THE EDITOR!

2010 is over and done with and for many, Christmas and New Year were spent snowed in or unwell. I spent the month leading up to Christmas ill with the dreaded 'flu bug that has struck down so many however, by Christmas I was as fit as a fiddle and sympathised (or avoided!) everyone else who was suffering with one thing or another.

We had a very jolly holiday in Wales with friends joining us adding to the fun. Two dear friends could not make it due to illness but all the others, who were just recovered from coughs and colds, girded their loins to battle through the snow and ice and safely made it to Gower.

Being 'country folk' we are used to waking up to rural sounds and a rousing 'dawn chorus' however, Pete commented one morning that our house sounded like a doctors surgery with everyone coughing and nose blowing in unison not to mention the Olbas Oil vapour overpowering even the smell of boiling brussels!

I hope your Christmas was a good one too... and not too gummy!

Any views or opinions presented are solely those of the author and do not necessarily represent those of the Editor.

Please take your news to Barbara Springate at
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February Deadline
28th January

