



The newsletter covering Pattrington, Pattrington Haven and Winestead

Christmas Issue

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Patrington switches on for Christmas

There was a great turnout of residents and visitors on the last Sunday in November for the switch-on of the Christmas lights in the village.

Santa arrived courtesy of Patrington Fire Brigade and there was entertainment by the Patrington Primary Academy Choir, Withernsea Ladies Choir, the East Riding Band and the Pavilion Pierrots.

Some of the local shops remained open and refreshments were available from a number of outlets.

The afternoon was organised by Patrington Parish Council and special thanks must go to the Parish Clerk, Diane Chapman, who once again was the main driving force.



Patrington Parish Council would like to wish all parishioners and their families a Merry Christmas and a prosperous and health 2023

Christmas Market at St Patricks

Over the last Saturday and Sunday of November the church held its annual Christmas Market and it certainly proved to be a busy time for stall holders and visitors.

With lots on offer, from crafts and gifts, many of them handmade, there was a great choice for shoppers looking for unique Christmas presents for family or just for themselves.

As usual the Church ladies were kept very busy serving drinks, homemade cakes and pumpkin soup to hungry shoppers.



The marvellous amount of £2,136.75 was raised for the church restoration fund. Well done, everyone.

A Christmas message from our vicar

We are about to have our first cold snap of the winter, according to the weather forecast, but today the sun is shining.

Like the weather, this year has been full of variety, and not all of it welcome. Hopefully this year, for you, has been good—at least mostly. For lots of us it may have seemed the other way around: mostly not so good, with lots of uncertainty, and reasons for worry on the horizon.

It might be good to remember that the ‘Christmas’ that’s about a baby, no room at the inn, shepherds, wise men, angels, and a frightened and violent king—that rough and ready, all too human, Christmas—is all to do with hope and peace right smack in the face of worry and uncertainty.

I’m not going to catalogue the problems and worries we are facing; some we all share, others will be particular to us.

What I will say is that if ‘Christmas’ is worth taking seriously at all, it’s not because of presents or having more food than we can face. It’s worth taking seriously because it’s about the keeping of a promise to love, and being faithful to that promise right in the midst of uncertainty and worry.

If we have nothing else to give, we can always give our love, and make it real by what we do for each other, especially when it’s cold and things aren’t great.

Through the keeping of the promise, may God’s peace find a home in your heart, and be there for others to share, so that whatever the weather, or the state of the world, there is room for hope and something to share that truly makes life worthwhile.

The hope and peace of Christmas to you, and on into 2023.

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