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Looking Forward



As we approach the end of 2024 many people take time to take stock and reflect on the year that has just passed. I usually do this in the form of a Christmas letter to friends and family, included in a Christmas Card. I have done the same this year and I realise just how much editing I need to do so that what I am sharing is interesting, possibly amusing and will be of interest to my intended audience. A couple of nice photos can be useful.

The new Church Year begins in the season of Advent. The 1st December marks the beginning of the advent season this year. For many people the season of Advent is all about preparing for Christmas. It's about celebrating the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem more than 2,000 years ago. The once very familiar story will be told through the singing of carols and readings from The Bible in all our Churches in the Muskhams. See the centre pages for details.

Advent is however more than preparing for the birth of Christ. It's also about preparing for the Second Coming of Christ. Just as the Old Testament told about the birth of Christ. So the New Testament tells about the Second Coming. The Book of James 5.7 tells us

⁷ Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains .

The Gospel of Matthew 24.42 tells us

"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

So, in these very uncertain times particularly in respect of the situation in Ukraine, it can seem very difficult to look forward. The Bible offers much to have hope about.

Hebrews 11.1 *Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.*

Romans 8 24-25

²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

Romans 5.5

And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

So looking forward ' May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the perseverance of the wise men, the obedience of Joseph and Mary, and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas and always'

Susan Twemlow

Poppies at St Wilfrid's Church North Muskham



Last year's Poppy Display in Church was so well received and appreciated by our community that many members of the Knit and Natter Group and their friends and families have been busy again knitting and crocheting 871 more poppies to extend the display in St. Wilfrid's Church, North Muskham. This is a mark of remembrance and respect to all the many people who have lost their lives or been injured during wars.

This year we have included:

White poppies -these represent 3 things- remembrance for all victims of war , both military and civilian, a challenge to any attempts to glamorise or celebrate war and a commitment to peace

Purple poppies - remember all the animals killed in war

Black poppies - commemorate the contributions of Black, African and Caribbean communities to the effort, as service people and civilians.

We will remember them.

Linda Guy.



Hush the noise!

What are you like with noise? Are you the kind of person who likes a lot of noise and excitement or do you quickly find it overwhelming (perhaps you're somewhere in between!) As one of four siblings growing up, and with four children of my own, I'm no stranger to noise; but sometimes I do just want to calm everything down and wonder what we're missing in the chaos and excitement. It's a real challenge, particularly with children, to get everyone to stop for a while and just reflect. Maybe you're a busy person with many responsibilities in work, community and family and this all sounds familiar.



Christmas can be like that too. The first we see is a bombardment in the shops and supermarkets (too early?) The seasonal aisle is cleared for festive sales and then it erupts into every area of the shop, jumping out on you to try to get you to transfer the chaos into your trolley and into your home. As things get closer it really kicks off; Christmas greets us in every area of life: Christmas Parties, Christmas Meals, Christmas Jumper Day, family gatherings, stocking and present shopping, Christmas Cards to write and deliver, Christmas Decorations... Some of us try to hold back the tide like King Canute whilst others can't get into it quickly enough! (My wife and kids have been watching Christmas movies for weeks now!) Neither approach is wrong, but Christmas *is loud* isn't it? So much expectation. So many voices. Telling us how to celebrate. What to wear. What to eat and drink. What to watch and what to buy.

Just take a pause as you are reading this article. Take a few breaths, maybe count to twenty or put the kettle on before you finish reading...

Instead, this Christmas we, at the Methodist Church, want to invite everyone to hush the noise. We want to listen for the love song that the angels bring, this and every year. They sang it for the first time more than 2,000 years ago, on the midnight clear. They're just waiting for us to join in.

Perhaps that's something you'd like to do too. We don't want to add any extra pressure to your already busy calendar - you can do this simply by taking some time out, going for a winter walk, perhaps simply making time for some quiet. You could just try reflecting on the words of the well-known Christmas Carol:

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold:

'Peace on the earth, good will to all
from heaven's all-gracious King!'
The world in solemn stillness lay
to hear the angels sing.

...ask God to help you hear the angels. (God *always* answers our prayers.)

Equally, if you want to find some space alongside others, you'd be welcome to join us at church, you'll find our activities advertised on the website below, or feel free to drop me a line and I'll share them with you.

The peace of the Christ-child be with you this Christmas.

Rev Peter Hibberts, Minister in the Newark and Southwell Methodist Circuit
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01636 812166; 07561 665585

News From Bathley



The villagers of Bathley, their families and friends, have been busy making poppies for our memorial on the Green. Some have been sold as brooches and, with other donations, have made over £80 which will be donated to Royal British Legion.

From the Register

St Wilfrid's South Muskham

Funeral

1st November 2024

Margaret Alexandria Watson

Internment of Ashes

26th October 2024

Joan Harrison and

John Edward Harrison



Upside Down or Right Side Up?



So what do you make of this?

One night a poor girl gave birth in a barn. It was quiet, a bit cold and whiffed of dung. There was no crib so she laid her baby in a feeding trough. The baby's father felt helpless, wishing he could at least find hot water and maybe a towel or two.

Across the world this moment went unnoticed. Except for some scruffy shepherds who showed up and then mouthed off about it – and who cares what they think, right?

So began a revolution. It continues to this day. And it's brought new hope into our lives.

That baby grew up. He turned everything upside down. The world began to notice. People began to talk. He said the craziest things - like the poor are important, women's voices matter, social outcasts deserve welcome, victims must be protected, children should be both seen and heard. He said greatness means serving others, not being served by them. He challenged racism, sexism, arrogance and hotheadedness, stating quite firmly that love is a much better idea.

The poor loved him. The lost searched for him – and found him. The heartbroken sat at his feet, and for the first time learnt what it means to be loved. Meanwhile the rich hated him. The powerful made plans to destroy him. He blazed a trail anyway.

Jesus spoke into a broken, confused and violent world. Those were primitive, uneducated times, weren't they? He shone light into really dark places and offered amazing answers to life's biggest questions. But today we have celebrities, social media and AI to do all that for us, thank goodness. This is the 21st century after all?

Questions. Should we be searching for the child who became a revolutionary? Is that what Christmas is about? Was his birth in fact one of the best gifts we've ever seen? On the real black Friday he changed human history forever - did he turn the world upside down, or the right way up?

May this Christmas be a time of real hope for you. May you know you matter. May your biggest questions be answered and your light burn brighter. May you receive - and give - the best of gifts. Together, may we each help to turn the world the right way up.

Happy Christmas.

Nigel Frith
Diocesan Director of Education
Member of The Potting Shed



TEAMS Christmas Shoebox Appeal.

A BIG, BIG THANK YOU

**to everyone who supported and donated to the
Christmas Shoebox Appeal.**

Once again, we were overwhelmed by the wonderful response from our very generous community and all our gifts have now been collected by TEAMS4U volunteers.

We have sent 93 Shoeboxes, all bursting with delightful gifts and lots of love, as well as several boxes of fillers, individual items, along with £40 cash donations in addition to the cash envelopes in the Shoeboxes and on-line donations. We also collected several cash donations which covered the transport costs for the boxes that were put together by the children at Messy Church.

The volunteers were delighted to receive all our many gifts.

This year TEAMS4U is delivering boxes to children and families in Bosnia, Moldova, Georgia, Romania and Ukraine.

There will be a lot of very needy, happy children receiving gifts this Christmas thanks to our very generous supporters. These children will really know that "someone, somewhere, cares about them.

Remember, it's never too early to start collecting [especially shoeboxes] and knitting for next year.

Thank you once again for all your wonderful gifts and continued support.

Happy Christmas and God bless you all,

Linda and Stephen Guy



Summary of North Muskham Parish Council Meeting 11th November 2024

1. Methodist Minister, Peter Hibberts gave a presentation outlining a proposal for sale proceeds of the Methodist Chapel Building to support a new build at the Muskham Rural Community Centre (MRCC) to facilitate a multi-use community cafe and hub, using a management vehicle of a Community Benefit Society, which would be independent of the Parish Council(PC), the MRCC and the Methodist Church. This would enable a cafe hub to be available from 8-6pm most days of the week and for Methodist Services to take place as required. The PC agreed to support the venture in principle and a solicitor has been engaged to identify a legal agreement sufficient to give adequate protection to all parties for the future. Further meetings and a public consultation will now take place before a formal sign off can be made.
- 2.Planning application for Eastfield determined.
3. The village Neighbourhood Planning Group is to reconvene and meet with a Newark and Sherwood District Council Planner to further progress the initiative.
- 4.Christmas trees to be erected with the lights to be switched on, on December 6th at 7pm at The Ferry pub when there will be mulled wine and mince pies and carol singing.
5. A construction traffic summary from Elements Green ref the GNR Solar proposals was discussed and a response agreed which includes our concerns re various aspects, particularly re access from the A1 and onto Vicarage Lane and Bathley Lane.
- 6.A crowd funding initiative was agreed to help finance a specialist planning consultant to assist the PC with its response to the GNR Solar proposals.
- 7.The village Emergency Plan is being compiled by Councillor Hobbs. This will be shared with villagers when complete, especially re our flood risk.
8. The PC village website has been updated and now contains useful village information- Residents are encouraged to use it to keep abreast of various issues and events: www.northmuskhamvillage.co.uk
9. It was reported that the swings have been dismantled at the playground pending replacement of the safety surfacing. Thanks was given to the Woolhouse Charity trustees for their donation of £4000 towards this. A further grant application has been made for the residual amount required.
10. Many events this Christmas are taking place for various charities and residents are encouraged to support these including the Church Christmas Fayre, The Charity Farce, The Emmaus Trust, the Christmas tree lighting and various church services in and around the area.
(More details in the Muskham Magazine).

Wishing you all A Happy Christmas and very best wishes for 2025.

Ian Harrison Chairman

Bathley



Carols on the Green

**Monday 16th December at
6.30pm**



All welcome to come and sing around the Christmas Tree and join afterwards for mulled wine, sausage rolls and mince pies and a Christmas quiz (8pm) at The Crown.

Thursday Evening Prayer 6pm

via Microsoft Teams

Please contact Philip Staniforth for the Teams Link

philip@stanca.co.uk

Muskham Rural Community Centre

Nelson Lane, North Muskham NG23 6HL

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phone 01636 343010



Our bar is open for special events and every Tuesday we host a social evening including a monthly Open Mic night, Bingo night & games night .

We have recently started hosting Saturday Morning Café from 9.00am in conjunction with Muskham Cougars Junior Football Club. Everyone is welcome



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St. Wilfrid's Church, North Muskham *Carol Service by Candlelight*



*Everyone is invited to join us for our
annual Carol Service
Thursday 19th December at 7.00pm
Followed by Mulled wine, Sausage Rolls
& Mince Pies*



St Wilfrid's Church, North and South Muskham are collection points for Newark Food Bank. If you have any contributions please leave them in church.

The items highlighted in **bold** are those for which we have less than one month's supply. **Long Life Fruit Juice**, Tinned Meat, Tinned Potatoes, Instant Mashed Potato, Tinned Carrots,

Other Items: - Shower Gel, Deodorant, Toilet Rolls, Washing Tabs,

A regular update of specific items needed can be found on the website:

<https://newark.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

If you would like items collected, please contact Ann.

Many thanks - Ann Willey, 01636 605477

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT ST.WILFRID'S CHURCH SOUTH MUSKHAM



**We welcome everyone to our service of
well-loved Carols and readings.**

On Friday December 20th at 6.00pm.

**This will be followed by mulled wine and
seasonal refreshments**

NEWS FROM ST. WILFRID'S CHURCH SOUTH MUSKHAM

Refreshments and chat on the fourth Friday of the month from 2.30 until 4pm

There will be no meetings in the months of December, January and February but they will resume in March 2025.

If, however, anyone feels the need for a warming drink and a chat in the meantime, please phone Jenn Pell 01636 701978 and we can arrange something at our home. You would be very welcome.

This year's Christmas Eve Service will also be in St Wilfrid's Church, South Muskham at the earlier time of 7pm.

We hope to see you all at each of 'our' events where everyone is always welcome.

Jenn Pell and David Watson Church Wardens

Great North Road (GNR) Solar Park

North Muskham Parish Council is not opposed to solar energy and associated development. The proposed 7,000 acre Great North Road (GNR) Solar Park is however on an unprecedented scale (would be the biggest in the UK) and is unlikely to be the last one built in and around the village.

The overwhelming feedback from residents is opposition to all or some aspects of the proposed development. It is our duty as a Parish Council to represent those views and achieve the best outcome for the village that we can. We are working with other concerned local and neighbouring villages to try to coordinate a response. In order to achieve this, we need to engage the professional services of planning consultants to provide the best response to the proposal as possible. This needs to include reasonable mitigation should the scheme be given the go ahead as it will stay in place for at least 40 years.

In order to pay for the required professional services a crowd funding site has been set up. Donations of any size are very welcome.

The Crowdfunding site can be found at

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/httpwwwnorthmuskhamvillagecoukcommunitynorth-muskham-parish-council-10135crowd-funding>

The Parish Council totally respects the views of those that may be supportive of the scheme or of large-scale solar farms in general and appreciates the complexities involved.

If you want to find more information then, the following links may be of interest if you have not been following them already:

The 'GNR Solar Park' page on the Parish Council Website

<http://www.northmuskhamvillage.co.uk/community/north-muskham-parish-council-10135/gnr-solar-park/>

The developer's site

<https://www.gnrsolarpark.co.uk>

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SHOW
“FARTY TOWELS”**

Friday and Saturday

13th and 14th DEC

7.30pm

**Muskham Rural Community Centre
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**Start your Christmas
with a smile!!!**



Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Luke chapter 2 verses 1-7

The Roman Empire charged the countries
it had invaded taxes, based on the
number of people and what they earned.

Emperor Augustus gave
orders that all people
in the Empire
were to be
registered
so they
could be
taxed.



This census was before
Quirinius became
Governor of Syria *
(* whose own
census
started
riots -
Acts 5:37)



When the order came,
Mary and Joseph were
living in Nazareth.

But Joseph was descended from King David, who had
been born in Bethlehem...



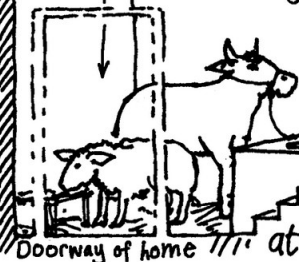
so Joseph took
Mary to Bethlehem to stay with his family.

Come and meet
everyone!



A normal home in Bethlehem.

Stable with mangers



Animals were
kept inside
at night



Everyone lived and
sept in the living room.



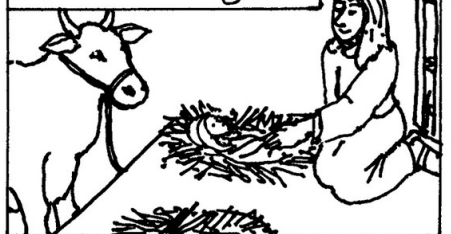
Room added for
guests and visitors

While they were staying
there, Mary's baby was
born.



There was no space in the
quest room to put a new baby!

So they made a snug
bed for Jesus in one
of the mangers.



CHURCH OF ENGLAND SERVICES

Sunday 5th January 11.00am	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Family Service & Baptism
Sunday 12th January 9.30	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Holy Communion
Sunday 19th January 9:30am	St Wilfrid's Kelham	Holy Communion
Sunday 19th January 3.00pm	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	
Sunday 26th January 9:30am	St Michael's and All Angels Averham	Morning Prayer


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**Reverse
Advent Calendar**



1 Tinned soup	2 Shampoo	3 Variety tins or boxes	4 Tinned tomatoes	5 Rice	6 Deodorant
7 Box of biscuits or chocolates	8 Nuts and confectionery	9 Tinned fish	10 Coffee	11 Jam	12 Breakfast cereal
13 Tea bags	14 Chocolate bars	15 Long-life fruit juice	16 Instant mash potatoes	17 Tinned vegetables	18 Cooking sauces
19 Tinned potatoes	20 Tinned meat	21 Toilet rolls	22 Washing up Liquid	23 UHT long-life milk	24 Tinned fruit

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Church of England Christmas Services 2024

Sunday 1st December 9:30am	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Morning Prayer
Sunday 8th December 9.30 am	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Morning Prayer
Sunday 15th December 9.30 am	St Wilfrid's Kelham	Advent Carol Service
Sunday 15th December 3.00pm	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	
Sunday 15th December 4.00pm	St Michael's and All Angels	
Thursday 19th December 7.00pm	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Carol Service
Friday 20th December 6.00pm	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Carol Service
Sunday 22nd December 9.30am	St Michael's and All Angels Averham	Holy Communion
Tuesday 24th December 7.00pm	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Christmas Eve Holy Communion
Wednesday 25th December 10.00am	St Michael's and All Angels	Christmas Day Holy Communion
Sunday 29th December 10.00am	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Benefice Service Holy Communion



The **Methodist** Church

Methodist Church Services

Sunday 1st December	Café Church Toy Service Rev P Hibberts	2.00pm
Sunday 8th December	Rev B Morley Holy Communion	10.30am
Sunday 15th December	Café Church Mrs G Hobbs	2.00pm
Sunday 22nd December	Local Arrangement Carols	10.30am
Christmas Eve Tuesday 24th December	Christingle	5.30pm
Sunday 29th December	Café Church Rev D Bonny	2.00pm

TOY SERVICE – On 1st December we will be collecting toys and gifts for the Salvation Army Toy Appeal, as we have done for many years. They request unwrapped new toys and gifts please.

CHRISTINGLE – We look forward to welcoming you to the **Christmas Eve Christingle Service** at 5.30 p.m.
It is always good to see faces old and new at this family occasion and the start of Christmas.

Methodist Church Services		
Sunday 5 th January	Café Church Covenant Service Rev. P Hibberts	2.00 p.m.
Sunday 12 th January	Rev. D. Gibson	10.30 a.m.
Sunday 19 th January	Café Church Rev. P. Hibberts Theme: 'A way of life'	2.00 p.m.
Sunday 26 th January	Mrs. J. Winnington	10.30 a.m.

Café Church –

In our café church services from 5th January through to Lent we will be discussing the theme 'A way of Life' with Rev. Peter Hibberts. You are welcome to come along to all or any of these meetings.



Join us for the switch
on of the Christmas
Tree lights at

**7pm on
Friday 6th
December
on the riverbank
by The Ferry.**

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	Daytime Regular Events	Evening Regular Events
Mon	9-10:30am Baby & Toddler Drop-In (termtime) <i>Jess Cox - 07718 069763 & Facebook</i> From 12:30 Lunch Club 07761 463830 <i>or peggybuck@hotmail.com</i>	7:00-8:00pm – Zumba <i>Claire: 07891 820606</i> <i>Follow Claireszumbawhoopwhoop</i> 7:30pm - History Group (every 3 rd Mon of the month) <i>Bryon Harlow 01636 918847</i> <i>bryonharlow45@talktalk.net</i>
Tues	10:00 - 12:00 Short Mat Bowls <i>Just turn up. Not on in school holidays.</i>	7:30-9:00pm - Table Tennis <i>Just turn up</i> 7:00-10:00pm – Muskham Social in Bar
Weds	10:00-12:00 – Muskham Craft Group <i>Marian: 07796 935002</i> <i>jmarion89@yahoo.co.uk</i>	6:30 to 7:30pm - Wild Earth Yoga <i>Sarah Pike 07789 986558</i> <i>hello@wild-earth-yoga.co.uk</i>
Thurs	10:00 - 12:00 Art Group <i>Jim Wishart - 07831 183523</i>	7:00-8:00pm – Zumba <i>Claire: 07891 820606</i>
Fri	9:30am - Seated Movement class <i>Rhuel: rhueliosamuels@gmail.com</i> 07477820043	7:00-8:00pm - Reiki Soundbath (one per month) Emily - www.insightstowellbeing.co.uk
Week days	<i>Muskham Out of School Club</i> <i>& Muskham Preschool as above</i>	5:00-7:30pm - Cougars Football <i>Cougars train & play at our Playing Fields</i> <i>and have Junior Football Teams for U7, U9,</i>
OFSTED Registered Childcare Facilities		
North Muskham Preschool <i>Manager: Helen Walters 07714 799408</i>		2 – 4 years olds Monday to Friday (Term Time) 8:30am – 4pm
Muskham Out of School Club Breakfast Club & After School Club School Holidays & Inset Days <i>Manager: Helen Waterfield 07944 467076</i>		4 – 14 years olds Monday to Friday (Term Time) 7:30-8:50am & 3:30-6:00pm
Muskham Out of School – Holiday Club <i>Manager: Helen Waterfield 07944 467076</i>		4 – 14 years olds Monday to Friday (Holidays) 8:00-5:30pm



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Not only do we play tennis, but also have cardio tennis sessions and new in 2023/24 Pickleball.

Caunton Tennis Club is an accessible family friendly club with a lovely clubhouse, children's play area & games room.

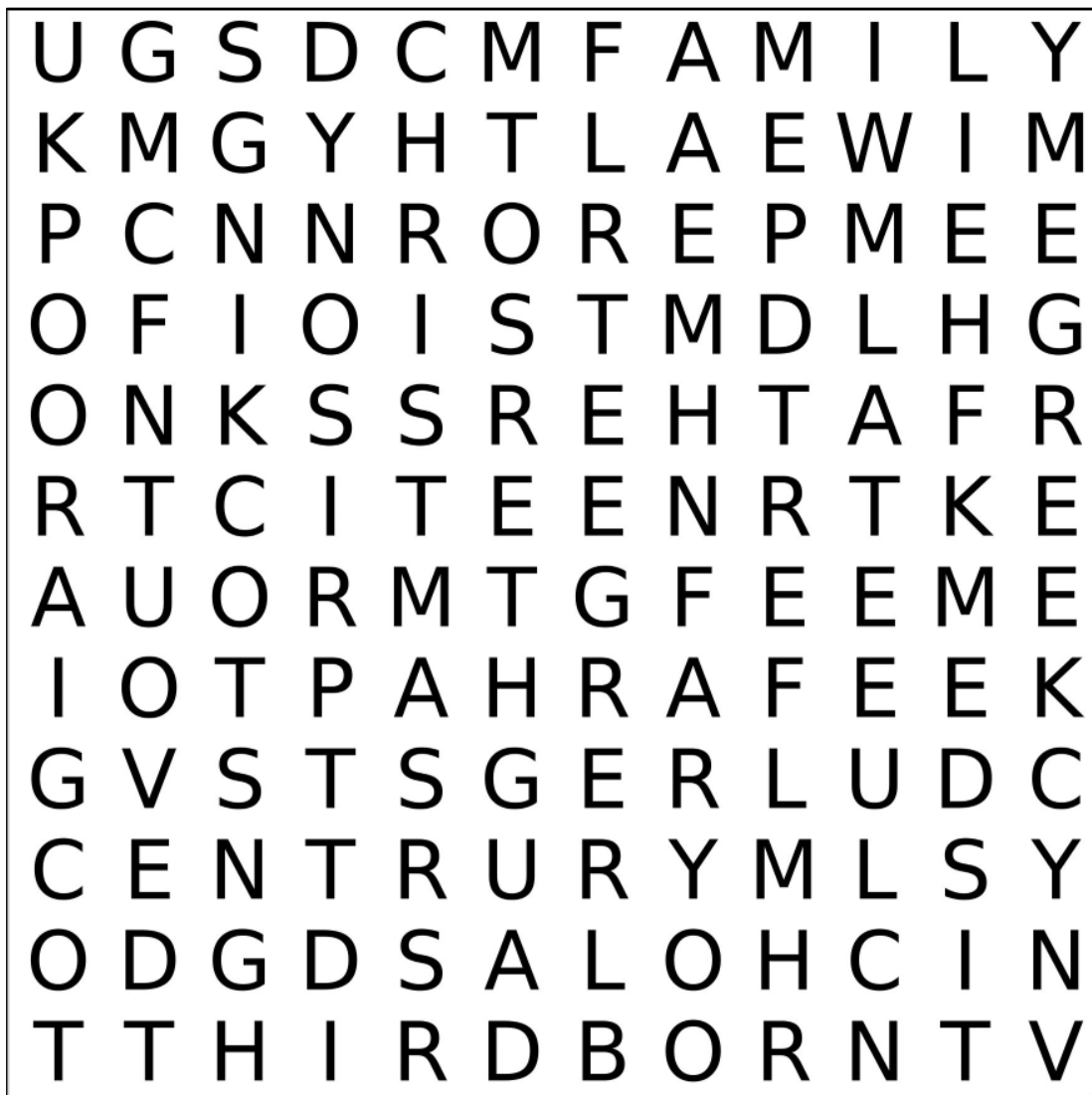


Wordsearch for Christmas 2024

Father Christmas is based on St Nicholas, who was born in the 3rd century in the Greek village of Patara, on what is today the southern coast of Turkey. His family were both devout and wealthy, and when his parents died in an epidemic, Nicholas decided to help people. He gave to the needy, the sick, the suffering, and was made Bishop of Myra while still a young man. As a bishop, he suffered in prison with other bishops under the emperor Diocletian's persecution of Christians.

One story of his generosity explains why we hang Christmas stockings over our mantelpieces today. There was a poor family with three daughters who needed dowries if they were to marry, and not be sold into slavery. Nicholas heard of their plight, and tossed three bags of gold into their home through an open window – thus saving the girls from a life of misery. The bags of gold landed in stockings or shoes left before the fire to dry. Hence the custom of children hanging out stockings – in the hope of attracting presents of their own from St Nicholas - on Christmas Eve. That is why three gold balls, sometimes represented as oranges, are one of the symbols of St Nicholas.

Father Christmas Nicholas Born Third Century Greek Village Devout
Wealthy Needy Sick Suffering Prison Emperor Poor Family Three
Daughters Stockings money Stockings



Coffee Morning

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