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Happy New Year and I hope that you were able to enjoy Christmas with friends and family. As a New Year begins, many of us will be thinking about the future. Of course, as the last three years have shown, we often know very little about what will come!

In the church calendar, the New Year begins with a time called Epiphany. We don't use that word too often, but it means that something has been revealed, or realised. We say, "I've had an epiphany!" Christians celebrate that, in a world of unknowns, God has made amazing things known.

The epiphany the church remembers in New Year, is the good news that Jesus had not just come for a few, but for all peoples. He came for local shepherds and the Magi/Wise men/Kings from far away.

The whole of Jesus' life was, in many ways, an epiphany to the world.

In those famous words from John's Gospel chapter 1 verse 14:

"The Word (Jesus) became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

Christians don't, or shouldn't, act like they have got to know God because they are smarter or better than anyone else.

We believe that we can know Jesus, because he has made himself and God known to us. During his earthly life, Jesus was willing to spend his time with anyone. He spent time with the rich and the poor, those of status and those of disrepute. He spent time with people from many different places and walks of life.

In every situation, where he found belief, no matter what their life had been like, he gave the same message. "Go in peace, your faith and saved you."

A lovely recent Christmas song, by a group called Sovereign Grace Music, is called "O Come, all you unfaithful". It's a reminder that Jesus came for people who aren't always finding life easy. The final verse goes like this:

"So come, though you have nothing
Come, He is the offering
Come, see what your God has done"

If you've been wondering what Christmas is all about, why not join us at church this New Year? I know it's hard to sometimes brave coming to a new place, but you will receive a warm welcome. We're not a bunch of people who have everything sorted out. Church is a place for people who have responded to Jesus' message or are wanting to find out more. It's not a place for perfect people, or else the church would be empty.



We meet every Sunday at Nutley Church at 9:15am and you can find out more about the various services we run from our website. You can always contact us by email/phone, or the contact page online.

God bless and Happy New Year.
Ben



Dads & Tots at St James the Less, Nutley.

Join us once a month on a Saturday morning for Dads and Tots. This group is for Dads/Grandads and their children/grandchildren aged 0-4 years of age. Dads and Tots is an opportunity spend time with your children, get to know other Dads and enjoy unlimited coffee/tea and some breakfast. There will be snacks for the children and bacon sandwiches for dads.

Dads and Tots will run from 9-10:30am on a Saturday morning in the church hall. The Dates for 2022/2023 are:

January 14th
February 4th
March 11th
April 22nd
May 13th
June 10th
July 8th

These dates may be subject to change, so it's worth keeping an eye on the website.

We ask for a donation of £2 per adult and 50p per child.

To find out more, please contact our Vicar, Ben.

Newsletter from Maresfield Parish Council - January 2023

A Very Happy, Peaceful and Safe New Year to everyone in the Parish !



Finance and the Parish Precept

In November's newsletter I wrote about the Parish Precept setting process. (The Parish Precept is a constituent part of your annual Council Tax.) At the December meeting the Parish Council was expected to approved its Budget and Precept level for 2023/24. The recommendation at the Finance and Administration Committee meeting on 6th December was for a modest increase, well below the prevailing inflation rate, whilst maintaining a satisfactory level of reserves.

What is the Parish Council? What does it do?

Perhaps it is timely to remind you what the Parish Council is and what it does. Civil parish councils were formed in England under the reforming Local Government Act 1894 to take over local oversight of civic duties in rural towns and villages. Each parish council's area of responsibility is a geographical area known as a civil parish; it has no connection with the Church (or the Parochial Church Council). Maresfield Parish includes the villages of Fairwarp, Maresfield and Nutley and surrounding countryside. Parish Councillors are elected every four years, the next election being in May 2023. However casual vacancies can be filled by co-option or a by-election.

Parish councils make all kinds of decisions on issues that affect the local community. Probably the most common topics that parish councils get involved with are planning matters (they are statutory consultees on Planning Applications), supporting local crime and road safety initiatives and local highway matters such as street lighting and maintenance of roadside verges. They have the power to do a large variety of things, including providing allotments, bus shelters and cemeteries and are often involved in the provision of community transport schemes, sport and recreation facilities and tourism. Parish councils can also provide a focus for representing local issues and identity.

Maresfield Parish Council has a quota of fourteen Councillors; currently we have thirteen. It is a worthwhile and satisfying role so if you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please contact our Clerk, Nancy O'Hanlon, on 714555.

Useful links are:

<https://my.wealden.gov.uk/>

<http://www.maresfieldparish.org.uk/>

<http://www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk/>

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And you can also follow the Parish Council on Twitter and Facebook.

Martin Craddock – Chairman Maresfield Parish Council

Maresfield Parish Council Meetings – January 2023

<u>Monday 9th January</u>	Planning Committee (Fairwarp VH)
Tuesday 10th January	F&A Committee (Parish Office)-If necessary
Tuesday 17th January	Full Council (Nutley Memorial Hall)
Thursday 26th January	NDP Steering Group (Parish Office)-If necessary
Monday 30th January	Planning Committee (Fairwarp VH)



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Nutley C of E Junior School

Happy New Year to everyone. After a very busy festive time, it is good to return to a calm routine. The value for this term is perseverance and the children will be exploring what this means for everyone. Stickability is such an important quality to have and not always easy to achieve. Trinity Messengers Puppet Team are coming in to lead a worship focusing on perseverance within the parable of the lost sheep.

Last term, Badger Class chose the charity Cancer Research and held a Bake Sale. Huge congratulations because, with the help of parents, the children raised over £300 for this worthy cause.

For more information about our school: www.nutleyprimaryschool.org.uk



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The Trustees would like to wish a Happy New Year to all those local to Nutley and further afield and especially to all those that make use of the Hall and other Trust facilities.

Hall Event and Activity Ideas Request

The Trustees would like to ask members of the village and wider community if they have any events or activities that they would like to see held at the Hall. For example would a Film Club Type event, or Comedy Night be of interest. Now that there is recently installed new stage lighting and sound system along with a new screen and projector there is opportunity to provide new events for the community.

Short Bowls – There are Short Bowls sets and mats available for use at the Hall. It would be great to put these to use again and it would be good to hear from anyone interested in setting up a group to use these.

If you have suggestions you would like to put forward or wish to book the hall for an event please contact Niki on the contact details below.

Nutley Memorial Hall Regular Activities

Please find below details of some of the Clubs and Societies that hold regular classes and events.

For contact details for the activities below, or to book the hall please contact Niki on 01825 712465 or enquiries@nutley-war-memorial-hall.co.uk

Children and Adult Dance Classes

Zumba

Nutley Rock and Roll

Karate

Drawing Classes

Evergreens over 55 meet up

NEW CLUB – Nutley Knit and Natter

Every Thursday, First meeting Thursday 12th January 3:30PM till 5:00PM to include refreshments, company, and laughter. Bring your own Knitting, Crochet or just come to Natter.

Private Hire of the Hall:

Both the Hall, with new audio-visual equipment, and adjoining rooms are available to hire for private events such as birthday parties, or other celebrations. It is an ideal venue for clubs or societies to meet so do come and look at the amazing stage and new lighting equipment.

If you would like more information on hiring the Hall for a private function or club event please visit the website or contact Niki as per the contact details above.

The Royal British Legion (“RBL”) Poppy Appeal for 2022

I am pleased to confirm that the overall amount collected in Nutley was £2,216.94 (as compared to £1,963.36 in 2021 and £1,882.35 in 2019). Thank you on behalf of the RBL to everyone for their contributions whatever the amount.

The breakdown of the overall amount was as follows:

House to house collections	£1,348.63
Remembrance Sunday Service at the Airman’s Grave	£470.61
Collecting boxes left with businesses, school, and village club	£397.70

Thank you to those of you who volunteered to give up some of your spare time to carry out the house to house collection, most of whom have done so for many years.

Thank you also to the businesses, school and village club all of whom agreed to have a collecting box in their premises. None more so than at the school where it gave the children the chance to get involved and make them aware of why we have Remembrance Day.

Finally and in addition to the amount raised above thank you to Maresfield Parish Council for their generous £60 grant which covers the cost of the wreaths laid on Remembrance Sunday at Nutley and Maresfield churches and at the Airman’s Grave.

Finally just to say if anybody would like to be a house to house collector we are looking for 2 new volunteers for the 2023 collection. This would involve you giving up say up to two hours of your time ideally on the weekend two weeks before Remembrance Sunday. If anyone is interested please contact me on 01825713244.

Duncan Nash—Honorary Organiser of the Poppy Appeal in Nutley





Some New Year Resolutions from Chailey Repair Cafe

As we get ready for our final Repair Café of 2022 on 10th December , we are looking forward to our 5th year of repairing your broken stuff. Incredibly, we have now attempted to repair over 4000 items since we first opened our doors in 2018, so we thought we'd offer you a few resolutions to help you in the New Year...

Instruction manuals

Don't throw away the instruction manual for your appliances! If you have, download one from the internet and bring it with you when you come to the Repair Café.

Vacuum cleaners

If your vacuum is no longer performing well, remove and, if necessary, replace the filters. (That's where the instruction manual comes in handy!!)

Toasters

Before you bring it to us, remove and clean the crumb tray and turn the whole thing upside down to shake out all the crumbs and debris. It might then work.....!!

Radios

If your radio plugs into the mains via a power supply (black box) and has stopped working, don't plug in a similar looking power supply, as it could destroy the radio. Bring it to us.....

Fuses

By all means change the fuse in a plug if you think that is why something isn't working. But if it blows again, bring it to us please – fuses blow for a reason!

You'll find us at St Peter's Church, Chailey on the A275 at Chailey Green on the second Saturday of each month (i.e. 10th Dec, 14th Jan, 11th Feb and so on) between 1000hrs and 1300hrs where we'll have a full Café service including our legendary cakes. If you want to contact us, please email us at chaileyrc@gmail.com and we'll see what we can do to help.

With all good wishes for Christmas – we look forward to seeing you again in the New Year!

Bryan McAlley and the Chailey Repair Café team

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Applications are now open until Sunday 19th March 2023. We encourage parents of children who will start Year 4 in September 2023 to contact Olivia by emailing: ohenley@cumnor.co.uk or calling: 01825 790 347. To find out more about the opportunity, visit:

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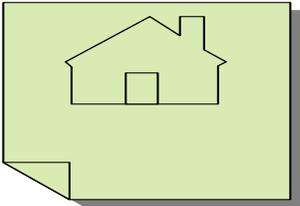
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Nutley lunch



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Please do ring me to book your place. We will still restrict numbers to 36. We'll be serving 2 different soups with a roll and also appreciate a few offers to donate a dessert, tea and coffee.

We hope that you all had a very happy Christmas and best wishes for 2023. Looking forward to our 1st village lunch on Monday 9th January.

Sally 714797

Coffee Pop In

Happy New Year! We look forward to warmly welcoming you between 10 and 11 on Wednesday mornings in the Church Hall. All are welcome to join us for coffee or tea, cake and a catch up. No charge, donations invited. More volunteers always much appreciated!



4 th January	Helen and Jock Compson
11 th January	Sarah Smith and Susan Edwarde
18 th January	Barbara Newson and Maddie Bladon
25 th January	Sonja Booy and Anne Potts
1 st February	Carole and Bruce Morley
8 th February	Sally and John Button

Sunrise Café

Happy New Year!

Sunrise Café will open again on Friday 13th January, 9am-10am in Nutley Church Hall.

Everyone is welcome! We meet every Friday morning during term time, 9am-10am in Nutley Church Hall. We offer free tea, coffee, soft drinks and lots of homemade cakes and goodies! We also have lots of toys, books, a fun slide and crafts, so babies and toddlers can enjoy letting off steam while the rest of us have a well-earned sit down and a cuppa!

We look forward to welcoming you on 13th.

Valerie and Wendy





We shall be meeting at Jo Wright's home Rosegarth, The Orchard at 10.30am on Monday 16th.

On Monday 30th we shall meet at Morven, Bell Lane, the home of Anna Fletcher.

We shall be reading about Jochebed, the mother of Moses and the problems she faced.

For further information contact Jean Kemm 01825 713704.

Midweek Homegroup

We will meet at 10.00am on Thursday 5th January at Treetops, Maresfield Park, Brian and Wilma's home, and at Muriel Parker's home 13 Churchfields on the 19th. We will be continuing our study of the Old Testament books of Samuel which are both biography and history leading to the reign of David. We would welcome new members or enquiries – please call Brian Porter (712462) for information



Home Group West

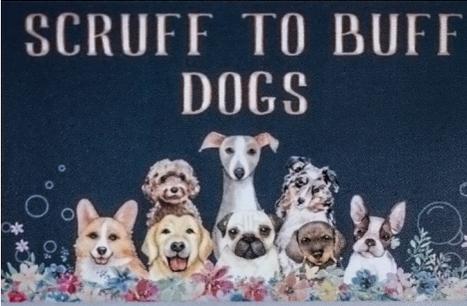


We will meet at 10.30am on Friday 13 January at Sally Button's home, Little Staplens, Nether Lane, Nutley and Friday 27 January at 10.30am at Sarah Smith's home, Guildawn, High Street, Nutley. New members are always welcome. For further information please ring Jackie (712056).

Ladies Friendship

We will not meet in January or February. Our next meeting will be in the Church Hall at 3pm on Thursday 9 March when we hope to have a talk by The Revd Dr John Caperon. Further details in next month's magazine. New members are always welcome so if you are interested in joining, please ring Jackie (712056) or Sarah (712143).





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Notifications: putting a sock in it

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You can choose which websites may send you notifications in your web-browser settings. You can find instructions to locate these settings in Chrome, for example, by searching for 'chrome disable website notifications'. Then it is your choice about whether gently to prune the list of websites allowed to communicate with you - or block the stream of notifications altogether. If you choose the latter then remember to delete the list of currently permitted websites as well.

There may be some other interruptions that you would like to eliminate. How about curbing over-enthusiastic notices of arriving email or the curious snippets of news pop-ups. Windows and Mac both offer useful gagging options in this regard.

In Windows, take a look in Settings > 'Notifications and Actions' where you can choose which programs may share their notifications with you. Macs have their own section for the same purpose at System Preferences > 'Notifications & Focus'.

Blocking notifications is sadly not the same as avoiding tracking. The tracking industry continues to develop an impressive range of technologies to keep tabs on your website wanderings - without relying on cookies. Your choice of browser matters in this area. I believe that the *Brave* web-browser is currently the only one to provide strong protection when measured against the tests offered by the *Electronic Freedom Foundation*. Could be worth a look.

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Nutley Historical Society

Important Notice!

Please will all members and guests note, that our ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on Thursday, 26th January at 7.15 (prior to speaker)

Your views and any ideas will be very much appreciated.

Following the A G M and at our correct and usual start time of 7.45pm, we will introduce our speaker for January:

Nick Kelly who will take us back to the 'Olden Day's with
THE LOST WATERWAYS OF SUSSEX

Do come along and hear about our plans for the new year and enjoy a speaker who will give us a good start to 2023.

By the way, A Happy New Year to you all !!!



Nutley Horticultural Society

Our New Year starts with the AGM, which will be held at 7pm on Wednesday, February 22nd, in the Memorial Hall. Membership remains at £12 per person and includes the 2023 Schedule & Programme. Following the short business session there will be a horticultural themed quiz. All are welcome.

Claire Sullivan 01825 712316

Ashdown Evergreens

Our last meeting of the year took place at Heaven Farm with a Christmas Lunch. There were 29 of us at the end as unfortunately two or three members had to cancel due to health or medical reasons but we wish them well.



We all enjoyed the lunch of our choice whether it be the usual Roast Turkey or something more to our liking followed by dessert. The tables were beautifully decorated with crackers and all the usual Christmassy decs.

We held our usual raffle which helped raise money which will help with the normal outgoings and we thank all those who voluntarily donated.

As we do not meet in the month of January we look forward to seeing you all on Friday, February 3rd 2023 for our AGM and maybe a surprise!!!

The Club is for anyone over the age of 50 and we are a friendly sociable crowd meeting to enjoy talks on a variety of subjects, the occasional entertainer and a couple of outings. If you would like further details, please contact Liz on: lizloydofnutley@gmail.com or 01825 714609.

To finish, the committee take the opportunity of wishing all a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful, healthy New Year.



Nutley Tennis & Squash Club
Churchfields, Nutley, TN22 3NA

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

If you've indulged too much over the festive season and fancy a run around on our tennis or squash courts, please come along and have a go!

Tennis

Junior lessons will commence again on Saturday 15th January 2023

9.15am – 10am	Minis Red Ball Ages 4-7 yrs
10.00am - 11am	Juniors Orange Ball Ages 8-11yrs
11.10am – 12.10am yrs	Youth Green & Yellow Ball Ages 12-17

Please get in touch with George on 07920 779386 or email :
rosstennis@icloud.com if you would like more details.

Squash

Junior Squash beginner lessons run on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings with our coaches; Jonny Jones and his father Howell Jones – please check our website for times and details or contact Jonny directly on 07739 359997

Club night for members and non-members alternate Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6.45pm-8pm – please get in touch with Jonny for more information

Club membership rates are very competitive:-

Junior Membership £5 per month (under 12s free for tennis)

Adult Membership £16 per month /Senior Membership £8.67 per month

Family Membership £24 per month

Tennis Only Adult Membership £6 per month

If you're not a member, you still can enjoy lessons or pay and play – see website for more details.

Nutley Tennis and Squash Club <http://nutleytennisandsquash.co.uk>.
General info: Chris Williams chris.dwilliams@btinternet.com



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 Maresfield Parish Office - 714555
 Memorial Hall Bookings - 712465
 Memorial Hall Trust Committee - 712465
 Nutley Church of England Primary School - 712575
 Nutley Hall Residential Community for Adults with Learning Disabilities - 712696
 Nutley Nutkins -713753
 Nutley Pre-School Playgroup - 07535 655013
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Sporting and Social

Ashdown Evergreens - 714609
 Ashdown Forest Fine Arts Society - 01342822435
 Bowls Club - 713588/713691
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 Cricket Club - 763925
 Extended Exercise Class 712640/ 712143
 Football Club - chair@nutleyfc.co.uk
 Historical Society - 712336
 Horticultural Society - 712316
 Ladies Friendship Circle - 712056
 Nutley Windmill 01435 873367.
 RNLI Forest Row - Jill Sharp 01342 826848 or jjsharp611@gmail.com
 Royal British Legion Nutley Women's Branch - 712239
 Social Club - 712220
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Parish Safeguarding Officer: Pam Marsh (712035)

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Treasurer: Susan Edwarde (713015)

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Coffee Pop In Rota: Helen Compson (712679)

Church Hall Bookings: Carole Morley (712349)

Verger: Anne Finch (712142)

Home Groups: Monday morning: Jean Kemm (713704)

Midweek: Brian Porter (712462)

Home Group West: Jackie Norman (712056)

We welcome families of all ages to our church, including those with young children. During the Sunday 9.15am service we offer a crèche for the youngest ones and Sunday Club for older children aged 4-12. Alternatively, you can have your child in with you and make use of the large carpeted area at the back of the church with toys and books.

The Clergy hopes to be told of illness, bereavement or trouble, for prayers and visits. Baptisms are normally held at All-Age Worship on the first Sunday of the month.

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SUNDAY SERVICE INFORMATION AT NUTLEY CHURCH

1st January	9.15am All Age
8th January	9.15am Holy Communion
15th January	9.15am Holy Communion
22nd January	9.15am Café Church
29th January	10.30am Joint All Age In Nutley
5th February	10.30am Joint Confirmation Service in Maresfield

Weekly Morning Prayer in church at **9am** on Thursdays
Church is open Monday—Saturday from **9am—5pm** and
for services on Sundays

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