

MIDDLETON TYAS & MOULTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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Claiming Dates:

Friday 6th December - Festive Supper in Memorial Hall. 7:00 for 7:30pm

Thursday 12th December - Parish Council Meeting at 7:00pm in the Memorial Hall

Saturday 25th January - Soup Lunch in Memorial Hall between 11:30am and 1:30pm

Friday 14th February - Valentine's Day Musical evening at 7:00 for 7:30 in Memorial Hall

Editor's Note

Hello readers, I hope that you all have a very Merry Christmas holiday season and a happy and healthy 2025.

If you have anything to add to the newsletter or require printing or scanning please email me (Christine Bryant) at mtmvillagenews@hotmail.com. Or phone 01325 377746 or write to 2. Cumberland Gardens.

The next cut off dates for entries into the Village news are:

20th January for February 2025 issue - no separate issue in January.

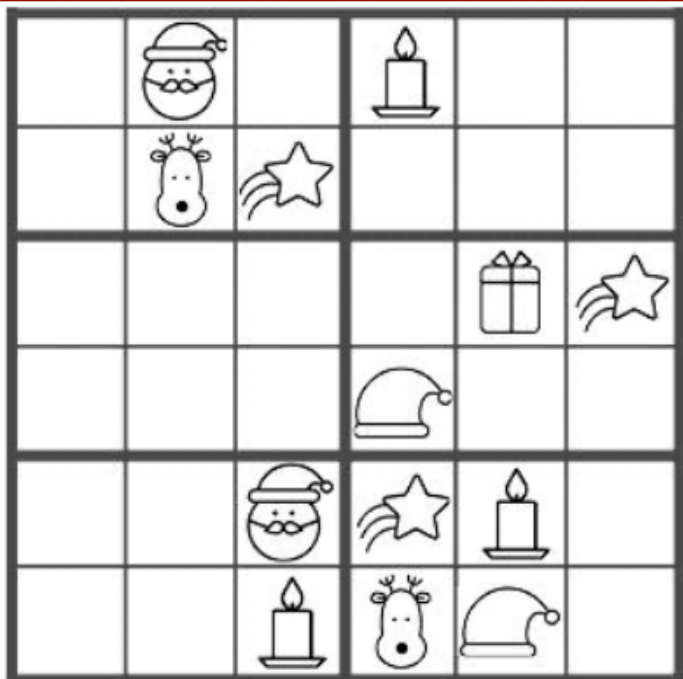
20th February for March issue.

Contributions are always welcome. Thank you for those already received. Cheques or transfer to the Middleton Tyas Village News account at the following:

Sort code: 20-25-29 Account no: 80644390

Thank you.

A Christmas Sudoku - draw in the missing pictures so that each row, column and 2x3 grid contains only 1 example of each picture.



St. Michael & All Angels Church

Homemade Christmas Cake Raffle

Kindly Donated by Jenn Smith

£1.00 per ticket

The lucky winner will be drawn at the Morning Service on 15.12.24 at 9.30am

Please see any member of the church

For a ticket and Good Luck.

St. Michael and All Angels' Church

Please join us to sing

CAROLS ROUND THE TREE

ON TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER

AT 7PM

FOLLOWED BY MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES, WITH SOFT DRINKS FOR CHILDREN, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL



If the weather is bad, please still come, as we will sing in the hall instead!

A bucket will be passed round for donations to The Salvation Army.

Do join us, the more the merrier!

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP
MON-FRI: 8AM-2PM SAT: 8AM-1PM
TEL: 01325 377198 EMAIL: MTVILLAGESHOP@GMAIL.COM

CLOSED CHRISTMAS AND BOXING DAYS (WED & THU)
CLOSED NEW YEAR'S DAY (WED)

OUTREACH POST OFFICE: CHECK IN THE SHOP FOR OPENING

And lo, its happened again. The year has passed with the speed of a menopausal woman trying to get to the loo in time and Christmas is reaching its greedy fingers into our bank accounts to try and wring every penny out of us, after it's done the same with our common sense.



It's been a busy but strange week, with some new people coming in, some who've struck me as a little bit, well, regal. Effortless elegance, old money kind of thing. One chap had been looking out his window a bit and came in for some bread, a bottle of wine, pine logs and directions to a house underneath a mountain. Makes a change from Middleton Lodge. I chose a nice prosecco for some Christmas bubbles, a freshly baked demi-baguette but the nearest high bit of land I could think of was Roseberry Topping and we only had a bag of kindling and some firelighters, yet he went away happy. More helpful than Tesco, he said regally, calling me Paige. Then an older lady needing something other than an apple that might be good for a friend ('friend' was said a little strangely though, as if it pained her). While she was browsing the boxes of chocolates that are an ideal gift for a Secret Santa or an obvious neighbour, two of our regular customers came in, Tweedledum and Tweedledee. Both are height challenged and the lady, peering over a box of After Eight Selection, visibly blanched. Eventually she decided on a box of Lindor in a pleasingly shiny, red box.

After tying up what looked oddly like a reindeer to our dog hook, but which she insisted was a great dane cross wearing a fun headband (sit Sven, sit), a younger lady came in looking for something frozen. I took her through our Indian meal range and as it's only a small shop, another young lady, in to drop off a rather striking red cloak to be dry cleaned, overheard me mention our newest addition of a Kodi Koora, grandma's recipe. She knew someone who'd like that, she told me, popping a couple in her basket and muttering that maybe it'd stop granny eating the carers. As she headed to the till she spotted our gift boxes of Christmas Yorkshire beers, a purse friendly £11 for the box and three beers. Ideal for the huntsman, she said, going distant for a moment before snapping back and remembering granny also needed toothpaste. Lots of it.

After browsing through our festive cards and Mark Denton calendars, still only £8.99, and his snowy scenes at £2 each or 3 for a fiver, Sven's owner came to the till and asked for a box of Lemsip as her palace was always so cold that she had the sniffles again. I showed her our range of cold remedies (Lemsip pills and drinks, Sudafed, Vaporub, Vicks inhaler stick, various Benylin cough meds, Covonia, Strepsils, Jakemans and Halls throat sweets) while wondering what made her house a palace. Did she know mine is generally a tip and she was making a point? Was she merely showing off or being ironic? But an almost negligible flare of her eyes gave away that she hadn't meant to say palace so I let her off and showed her the softer, Kleenex balm tissues that would be kinder on her delicate little nose.

Having bought all our carrots for Sven, whose great dane/reindeer nose was pressed against the door and giant great dane/reindeer bottom was blocking the path, she left, quickly succeeded by a younger girl, mid-teens maybe, with bouncy blond, almost golden, curls. Being young, the fact that she had opened the door to get in didn't lead to the normal conclusion that it needed to be closed again and she pranced in, curls bouncing merrily (or annoyingly by then, it was getting late). I pointedly banged it shut (no reaction, busy bouncing), greeted her (no reaction, busy bouncing) and asked her what she was

looking for. Finally my invisibility cloak lifted and she noticed me. "I'm not sure really," she muttered, those ruddy curls bouncing even more as she looked around the shop, with a hint of 'cripes, I'd walked in expecting Tesco' disappointment (we get that sometimes). "Something for lunch maybe?" I suggested. "A sandwich?" I pointed to our poster, displaying all the lovely options we had available for only £3.50. "Oh no," she said, apparently surprised that I couldn't read her mind, "too big". Unable to bring myself to point out that the poster didn't show the actual size of the sandwiches, just an eye-catching representation, I suggested a sausage roll. "Oh no, too small". I counted to ten. "How about a salad bowl, good for curls." "Oh yes," she squeaked, "just right." And then, because she is young, she pulled out her phone and went back to pretending I didn't exist.

Salad made, I suggested a drink. "Tea?". "Oh no, too hot." "Coke?" "Oh no, too cold." A bottle of water that hasn't been refrigerated? Just right, apparently. She paid and after a quick glance at the porridge oats, she left. I shut the door she left open.



Don't forget us in the mad scramble to buy gifts and enough food to feed a small army. The supermarkets really do okay at this time of year, they won't miss you supporting your local community shop a little. We have cards, wrapping paper, gift bags, gift boxes of beer, calendars, Christmas beers, wines, Proseccos, chocolates, mincemeat, Christmas chutneys, cranberry sauce and so on. Middleton Tyas keyrings and coasters and some Yorkshire stuff too. You can save yourself a lot of time and effort ordering one of our joints of cooked ham, the same ham we slice in the shop. For a piece in the region of 2.5 kilos it comes out at about £27-£30 to buy. And treat your family or guests to freshly baked potato rolls, demi baguettes or croissants, which you can buy from us. Ask us too what Taylors family sized pork pies, pigs in blankies and similar stuff you can order.



The quiz at the Shoulder on the 19th raised a brilliant £412, to be split between Swaledale Mountain Rescue and North Yorkshire Air Ambulance. A big thank you to all who came along and to James and Hana for hosting. There is no quiz in December but keep an eye out for posters and posts about January's quiz, date yet to be decided. We will be running that to raise funds for the Memorial Hall, which has just had to pay out rather a large sum of money to replace their aged boiler.



After many months of the flag flying at full mast, we sadly said goodbye to two long term residents of the village (and just outside), Mary Frost and Elizabeth Davies, both wonderful and lovely ladies. Mary was 98 and Liz just days away from celebrating her 90th and both had been supporters of the shop since it opened. Liz had ordered from the shop every week for so long that I spoke 'Liz' (I can also speak Barbara and Phyllis and a spattering of Jim, because he does like to surprise us occasionally. We're also currently learning Dean and Paul, as Dean likes red onion on his tuna, not cucumber (have you got that, *onion*) and Paul is ham, lettuce, cucumber, yellow pepper, mushroom and mayo)). I used to love delivering to Liz on the odd occasion that I had forgotten to send a part of her order (okay, maybe more than the odd occasion, given my memory) as you really did feel you were out in the country, peace and quiet, birds singing kind of thing.



A new resident to the village, Helen (excellent name) is thinking of starting an art club in the Hall and would like to know if anyone is interested in coming along. Her number is 01325 499216 so give her a ring if you think it's something you would like to do.

That's my lot for this year. Yey they cheer. Liz and I and all the volunteers, wish you a happy, healthy, warm and safe Christmas and New Year and we hope to see you in 2025!

BACON BUTTIES SATURDAYS 7 DECEMBER AND 4 JANUARY

FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL ~

Co-option to Parish Council

We might have some new Councillors shortly.....!

Finger Post on the Village Green

The 'fingers' are now in Thirsk being cleaned and re-coated with a protective film. Just in case you were wondering where they had gone.

Speeding in the Village

Talking of signs, please remember that the village has various speed signs, ranging from 40 to 30 to 20 mph. The 'centre' of the village, roughly comprising the Conservation Area, is **20** mph. We know you don't speed, but many people fly through in excess of the limits. Pedestrians, children, pets and cyclists would appreciate it if everyone could take care to stick to the legal limits. (So would the bollards on Memorial Hall corner, although, to be fair, that was a tractor/trailer, not a speeding car.)

WHICH? Scams to Watch Out For

There seem to be a lot of phone scams to watch out for at the moment – Winter Fuel Payments, Black Friday Offers, Domestic Appliance Warranties, etc. You can be warned about some of the current scams online at the *Which?* Scam Alert service at info@mail.which.co.uk.

Please do not give your personal or bank details to anyone who contacts you 'out of the blue' – reputable organisations will never ask for such information over the phone. If in doubt, check with a family member or friend, and/or contact your own bank (the number is on your bank/credit card) or contact the **Fraud Line on 159**.

159 is the memorable, secure number that connects you directly to your bank if you think you're being scammed. 159 works in the same way as 101 for the police or 111 for the NHS. It's the number you can trust to get you through to your bank, every time. 159 will never call you.

E-mail circulation list

If anyone would like their e-mail address adding to a group circulation list for 'official' messages from NY Councillor Angus Thompson, NYC Highways, NY Police, etc, let the Parish Clerk know. Your name will not appear publicly on the circulation.

Next Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, 12th December** in the Memorial Hall, starting at 7.00pm. You are all welcome to attend all Council meetings as 'observers'. Agendas and Minutes of previous meetings are available on the website at www.middletontyas.org.uk /Parish Council / Agendas & Minutes, under the relevant dates. If you wish to raise a matter for the Council's consideration, please let the Parish Clerk know at least 7 days before a meeting.

***We wish you all a very Merry Christmas
and a happy and healthy New Year 2025.***

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# News from Neighbourhood Watch

## Local Crime Information

Our local PCSO Elliot Brown reports that in October 2024 there was a total of 31 recorded crimes in the wider Richmond rural area including 10 (which in turn included 3 drug offences) in the Middleton Tyas Ward covering Scotch Corner and Moulton as well as Middleton Tyas.

## A Scam warning from a local resident

An elderly resident of Middleton Tyas has alerted us to a particularly upsetting and disturbing scam which could cause a great deal of anxiety to older recipients in particular. The scam involves the receipt of a very nasty unsolicited email that is full of crude sexual allegations, and which claims to know what inappropriate sexual activity the recipient has been engaged in. It threatens to publicly expose the recipient unless the sender receives a payment to keep quiet. Detailed analysis suggests that this email may have originated in America and may be primarily directed at male recipients but the whole thing is very nasty and potentially very upsetting.

## North Yorkshire Police Information

Please keep an eye out for a vehicle that was stolen from a farm just outside of Newsham.

The yellow Gehl Bobcat Skidsteer was stolen from a farm on Dyson Lane, Newsham near to the A66 overnight between the 6th and 7th October 2024.

This vehicle was taken with the bucket still attached to the front and is similar to the one pictured below.

This is one of three skid steers that have been stolen from Richmondshire in the last few days. It is clear that criminals are targeting this specific type of machinery, and due to this I would like to take this opportunity to ask that any farmers or construction companies that have this type of machinery across Richmondshire to ensure that they are locked away and secured.



Two men have been arrested following the attempt to steal a cash machine from the Cooperative store in Richmond.

Police received a call just after midnight in the early hours of Saturday 9 November after a group of men armed with crowbars were seen trying to remove the ATM from the Market Place shop.

Members of the public enjoying an evening out challenged the men, resulting in one man sustaining facial injuries as a result of his public-spirited actions.

The suspects left the area without the cash machine but left considerable damage behind.

## National Neighbourhood Watch News

The November 2024 issue of the national magazine 'Our News' can be accessed online at [https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/2024-11/Our%20News%20November%202024.pdf?utm\\_source=Alert&utm\\_medium=Link&utm\\_campaign=November+2024](https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/2024-11/Our%20News%20November%202024.pdf?utm_source=Alert&utm_medium=Link&utm_campaign=November+2024)

## Finally, our local Police Community Support Officers are:

3570 - Elliot Brown – [elliott.brown@northyorkshire.police.uk](mailto:elliott.brown@northyorkshire.police.uk)

3811 – Vincent Long – [vincent.long@northyorkshire.police.uk](mailto:vincent.long@northyorkshire.police.uk)

5888 – Gayle Smith – [gayle.smith@northyorkshire.police.uk](mailto:gayle.smith@northyorkshire.police.uk)

If you wish to contact me regarding any Neighbourhood Watch matter, please email me (Mac Bryant) via [neighbourhoodwatch@middletontyas.org.uk](mailto:neighbourhoodwatch@middletontyas.org.uk)



Ore-some Copper Belles WI

## November WI News

The village Memorial Hall was filled with “The Sound of Music” at our last W.I. meeting. Rosemary Priestley, who is one of our own members, was a superb choir mistress, and accompanied us on the piano as we sang lots of songs from the musical. Rosemary did a great job of keeping us in time, getting us singing in perfect harmony, and generally making the evening great fun. All in all, “The Oresome Copper Belles Choir” didn’t sound too bad!

In December, there won’t be the usual W.I. meeting on the usual Tuesday as we are having our Christmas bash on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December in the Memorial Hall. This year, we’re having a festive wine-tasting evening presented by Chris Mooney and Ralph Wilkinson, and this will be in a “Call My Bluff” format. Can’t wait!

Our first meeting of 2025 will be on 14<sup>th</sup> January, in our usual meeting place and at the usual time of 7pm – but we’ve had to amend the plan so the activity is yet to be determined, but I’m sure it will be entertaining!

Finally, on behalf of all the Oresome Copper Belles, I’d like to wish all readers a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We meet on the second Tuesday evening of each month, usually in the Memorial Hall and new members are always welcome. If you’re not sure about joining, why not come along as a visitor, for just £5. For further information, email us at [oresomecopperbelleswi@outlook.com](mailto:oresomecopperbelleswi@outlook.com), phone or WhatsApp Clare on 07900 008255, or send a message via our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/MiddletonTyasWI>.



### 2024 Weddings

Congratulations to Ellis & Lucy who were married on Saturday 9th November.

### Soup Lunch.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Soup Lunch in November, it was lovely to see the hall so full giving the event a real buzz. The lunch made £241.00 for church funds.

Councillor Angus Thompson produces a Report every other month to give residents an update of what’s going on in the area. This month he has an update on the A66 upgrade, designer outlet, council finances, home to school transport.

To save on the cost of putting it in the Village News, if you would like to receive his reports, please email him on [Cllr.angus.thompson@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Cllr.angus.thompson@northyorks.gov.uk). and you will receive them by email.

### Soup Lunch

In aid of church funds

#### St. Michael & All Angels

You are invited to call in for a chat and relax  
In **The Memorial Hall, Middleton Tyas**

On **Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

11.30 am until 1.30 pm



Entrance £4.50 this includes  
**Homemade soup with bread**  
**Coffee, tea or soft drink**  
We shall hold a raffle

We look forward to your company.



**Editor’s Note** - It is a bumper issue this month so I really didn’t have the space!



**Middleton Tyas Memorial Hall**

14TH FEBRUARY

**Valentine's Day**

7.00 for 7.30  
*Special performance*

**CHERRY TONES**  
Retro Harmony Duo

tickets £10.00  
from Village Shop  
**(Includes light supper)**

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St Mary's Church, Richmond

Access for All  
St Mary's Church,  
Richmond, North Yorks.



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and bucket collection

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Scan the QR code  
[www.richmondstationsingers.co.uk](http://www.richmondstationsingers.co.uk)

**For more information or help** phone 07773 424744  
Ask Choir members or the Friends of St Marys Church  
[trewbyp@gmail.com](mailto:trewbyp@gmail.com)



**WATCH OUT!** Is this The Worst Witch you have ever seen? She was caught on camera, about to take off from Middleton Tyas Village Green on her broom, clearly heading in the direction of Barnard Castle, (presumably to test her eyesight!). It is pretty definite that this will not be her last visit either, so please watch this space in the next few months, in case The Worst Witch Strikes Again!

## Middleton Tyas Memorial Hall

### Request for Donations

As many of you are aware, the central heating boiler failed at the beginning of November and had to be replaced at a cost of over £6000. Although we had sufficient funds to get this work undertaken immediately, this has significantly reduced our reserves. The hall is nearly 100 years old and inevitably requires regular and, at times, costly maintenance. It is essential that we maintain sufficient financial reserves to be able to react quickly when problems arise. We now need to raise funds to help rebuild these reserves. If you can, please do make a donation to help secure the long-term future of this valuable village asset. The bank details are:

HSBC: Sort Code 40-38-19. Account no 61273345

### Forthcoming Event

Please see posters in this newsletter for our forthcoming events.

### Hiring the Hall for Private Events

Perfect for children's parties or celebrations – an afternoon only costs £30 for residents of the village. We can help you with contacts for outside catering. Booking through the village shop.



# **Middleton Tyas Memorial Hall**

## **Festive Supper**

**Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of December:**  
**7.00pm, for 7.30**

**Catering by “Game Cart” includes  
a full Christmas dinner and a  
selection of desserts**

**Please come and enjoy an evening of  
festive fun, meet old friends or make  
new ones!**

**£25.00 per ticket available from the  
Village Shop.**

**Bar available (cash only)**





# Warm Welcoming Spaces

The Memorial Hall Committee and our friendly Volunteers Would like to invite you into our Warm Welcoming Space, in the Memorial Hall

There will be free tea, coffee, biscuits, soup, and toast for anyone wishing to spend some time in a warm and friendly environment or bring your own food if you prefer.

**The Hall will be open for 10 weeks between 11.00am and 2.30pm on Thursdays, commencing the 9th of Jan 2025 until the 20th of March.**

We have a good selection of games, jigsaws, newspapers books, and magazines for your enjoyment, with WIFI availability and charging facilities for your phones / tablets.

Come and avoid the cold weather: get together with old friends (or make new ones), bring your family, (young children must be accompanied by a responsible adult) or simply enjoy the atmosphere and hospitality of our lovely Village Hall. Everyone welcome!

(The hall & its toilet are wheelchair accessible.)

The Memorial Hall Committee.



With Many Thanks For Continued Support Throughout The Year From...

- Middleton Lodge and The Coach House.
- The Holiday Inn, Scotch Corner.
- Scotch Corner Travelodge.
- Skeeby Travelodge.
- Gilling Old Mill Barns.
- Black Bull, Moulton.
- The Fleece Hotel, Richmond.
- The Shoulder of Mutton, Middleton Tyas.
- The Arden Arms.
- Shire Aggregates.
- The White Swan, Gilling West.
- Richmond Motor Company (Nissan).
- B.O.S. Tyres.

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We would like to thank all of our customers (old and new) and wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.  
Best wishes for 2025!



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WHAT'S ON

## OUR EVENTS

- Oct -Dec*      **Early Morning Yoga at the Forest Spa**  
*Join us at 6.30am on Tuesday and Friday mornings at the Forest Spa for our gentle yoga sessions. (£15 per session)*
- Nov 27<sup>th</sup>*      **Christmas Pudding & Mince Pie Making**  
*Learn how to make your very own delicious Christmas pudding and mince pies at the Georgian Main House. (£55pp)*
- Nov*              **Order Your Christmas Wreath**  
*Decorate your door this year with a beautiful festive wreath. Ask our team to see examples and pre-order before 26<sup>th</sup> Nov for collection on 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. (£75 each)*
- 1<sup>st</sup> Dec*          **Twilight Sound Bath**  
*Start December with our Twilight Sound Bath where you'll be guided through a calming experience of crystal bowls and angelic vocals, leading you to deep peace and reflection. Starts at 3.30pm. (£45pp)*

MIDDLETON LODGE ESTATE

Middleton Lodge, Kneeton Lane, Richmond, North Yorkshire DL10 6NJ  
01325 377977. [middletonlodge.co.uk](http://middletonlodge.co.uk). [info@middletonlodge.co.uk](mailto:info@middletonlodge.co.uk)



WHAT'S ON

## OUR EVENTS

- Dec*      December at the Coach House  
*Gather and feast at the Coach House  
with winter-inspired lunches, dinners  
and afternoon teas.*
- Dec*      Christmas Shopping on the Estate  
*Head to our Coach House shop for handpicked  
homeware and gorgeous Christmas gifts. You  
can also purchase vouchers here.*
- Dec*      Spend Christmas in the Country  
*Arrive on Christmas eve and spend two  
nights on the estate, celebrating Christmas  
in the country. (Priced individually)*
- Dec*      Celebrate Christmas, Home from Home  
*If you would like to celebrate Christmas with  
your loved ones in the country, speak to our team  
about hiring one of our picture-perfect cottages.*

*For more information, visit our events page.*

*Booking is essential for all events. See contact details online.*

*Please see pricing notes on the website.*

MIDDLETON LODGE ESTATE

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01325 377977. [middletonlodge.co.uk](http://middletonlodge.co.uk). [info@middletonlodge.co.uk](mailto:info@middletonlodge.co.uk)*

## **Moulton Matters**

**December 2024 and January 2025**

### **A date for your diary – fund raising for Guide Dogs for the Blind**

An evening of live music is to be held at Scorton Institute on Friday 6th December in aid of Guide Dogs for the Blind. This is the second year the event is to be held which will feature two bands, a disco and pie and peas. Last year £800 was raised with the help of a raffle.

There are a few remaining tickets priced at £15 each available. Please text Derek Boyden 07919 334475 or Ed Atkinson 07971 188987.

### **Village Voices**

The Black Bull Inn has invited "Village Voices" to return to sing Christmas favourites on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00 pm. This is a fun group and there is still time to join in. There will be three practices beforehand on Monday 25 November and Monday 2nd and 9th December in St Andrew's Church at 7.00 pm. If you are interested to join – no experience necessary - please contact Tim White: [timwhite36@gmail.com](mailto:timwhite36@gmail.com).

Even if you are not singing, come along and support your fellow villagers and join in the fun.

### **Defibrillator familiarisation session**

A session for Moulton residents will be held in St Andrew's Church on Tuesday January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6.30 pm. It has been a while since we held a familiarisation session and Yorkshire Ambulance Service are able to deliver this for us.

The session usually lasts no more than an hour. They will explain what happens when you dial 999, how the call is triaged and how the defib works. There will be a training defib available and a manikin to show how the defib works and how to check if a person is breathing and how to do CPR.

If you wish to attend and have not already indicated your interest, please contact John Gentry at [moultonparishmeeting@yahoo.com](mailto:moultonparishmeeting@yahoo.com)

### **Moulton 100 Club**

The results of the November draw in the Moulton 100 Club are:

1st: Sarah Richardson. 2nd: Eddy Lewington. 3rd: Val Liddle

You can of course join the club during the year. The annual subscription is £2 per month or £24 per number per year – residents, family and friends can have as many numbers as they like – and the prizes will be 50% of the amount of membership fees received that month.

If you would like to join, contact Steve Osbaldeston: [steveosbaldeston@outlook.com](mailto:steveosbaldeston@outlook.com)

### **Books in the Moulton Book Stop**

The sale of books, DVDs, CDs, flower pots and jigsaws in the bus shelter during October raised £146.27 Thank you to all our supporters. All books, DVDs and CDs are priced at 50p.

Good quality fiction books, plants and any other produce are always welcome. Please leave them on the benches in the bus shelter. Unfortunately for safety reasons, we are unable to accept electrical items.

All proceeds will go towards Moulton Village Association funds

### **St Andrew's Church – a venue for hire**

At St Andrew's in Moulton we have an excellent facility that is available for meetings and social occasions. The venue is accessible and there is a fully equipped kitchen and a toilet.

To discuss bookings, please contact John at 01325 377328.

### **Moulton Communications**

We have a circulation by email (Bcc) to over 80 residents in Moulton. If you are not receiving these or perhaps are new to the village, please contact the Parish Meeting and you will be added to the list:

[moultonparishmeeting@yahoo.com](mailto:moultonparishmeeting@yahoo.com).



## Moulton WhatsApp Group

A WhatsApp group has been set up for Moulton residents to keep everyone informed of events and news. If you wish to join, please contact Steve Osbaldeston at [steveosbaldeston@outlook.com](mailto:steveosbaldeston@outlook.com) and he will provide the link.

## Church Cleaning:

Thanks to all who have volunteered to clean St Andrew's.

December: Mrs Bladen and Mrs Stephenson

January: Mr and Mrs Gentry

## CHURCH NEWS

### Church Cleaning

|                  |                           |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| December 2 - 9   | Mrs. Parker & Mrs. Thomas |
| December 16 - 23 | TBA                       |
| January 6 - 13   | Mrs. White & Mrs. Begley  |
| January 20 - 27  | Mrs. Vaux & Mrs. Nimmins  |

### Church Flowers

As we don't have flowers in church during Advent, and as St. Michael's has no service on Christmas Day we won't be decorating the church until 2025. The new flower rota is up in church now. It would be lovely if all existing wonderful flower ladies would fill in what they could manage during the year, and we would really welcome any of you who haven't done flowers before to join in and have a go, we would all be so grateful.

Many thanks,  
Sara

### St. Michael and All Angel's Church

**CRIB SERVICE**  
COME AND JOIN IN  
OUR CRIB SERVICE ON  
CHRISTMAS EVE, 4PM



LET'S FILL THE CRIB,  
SING SOME CAROLS,  
AND HEAR THE STORY OF  
THAT FIRST CHRISTMAS



### Andrew's Church Moulton

Please join us for our  
**CAROL SERVICE**  
on  
**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
**At 6pm**  
All Welcome!

### ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH ANNUAL CLEAN

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for the sterling effort put in to make our church sparkling clean again for another year.

Best Wishes, Muriel

Howard and Kath Hall wish to all our friends in Middleton Tyas and Moulton a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year .

| CHURCH SERVICES – DECEMBER 2024                                                       |                                  |                           |                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sunday 1st December                                                                   | Advent Sunday                    |                           | Middleton Tyas                 |
| 9.30 Morning Prayer                                                                   |                                  |                           | Mr A Hindhaugh                 |
| Sidesmen                                                                              | Miss M Brown                     |                           | Mrs E Croft                    |
| Reader                                                                                | Mr S Hill                        |                           |                                |
| Readings                                                                              | Jer 33, 14-16 P 673              |                           | Luke 21, 25-36 P674            |
|                                                                                       |                                  |                           |                                |
| Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> December                                                       | 2nd Sunday of Advent             |                           | Middleton Tyas                 |
| 9.30 Morning Prayer                                                                   |                                  |                           | Mr G Underwood                 |
| Sidesmen                                                                              | Mrs J Fogarty                    |                           | Mrs J Smith                    |
| Reader                                                                                | Mr A Hindhaugh                   |                           |                                |
| Readings                                                                              | Mal 3, 1-4 P676                  |                           | Luke 3, 1-6 P 678              |
|                                                                                       |                                  |                           |                                |
| Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> December                                                       | 2nd Sunday of Advent             |                           | Moulton                        |
| 6pm Evening Prayer OR Holy Communion                                                  |                                  |                           | TBA                            |
| Readings                                                                              | Mal 3, 1-4 P 676                 |                           | Luke 3, 1-6 P 678              |
|                                                                                       |                                  |                           |                                |
| Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> December                                                      | 3rd Sunday of Advent             |                           | Middleton Tyas                 |
| Morning Prayer                                                                        |                                  |                           | Mrs V Waugh                    |
| Sidesmen                                                                              | Mr S Hill                        |                           | Mrs M Hill                     |
| Reader                                                                                | Mr G Underwood                   |                           |                                |
| Readings                                                                              | Zepp 3, 14-end P 679             |                           | Luke 3, 7-18 P681              |
|                                                                                       |                                  |                           |                                |
| Sunday 22nd December.                                                                 | 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent |                           | Middleton Tyas                 |
| Holy Communion with Baptism                                                           |                                  |                           | Rev. L Thorius                 |
| Sidesmen                                                                              | Mrs D Donnison                   |                           | Mrs P Greijer                  |
| Reader                                                                                | Mrs E Croft                      |                           |                                |
| Readings                                                                              | Micah 5, 2-5a P 682              |                           | Luke 1, 39-45 P 684            |
|                                                                                       |                                  |                           |                                |
| CHRISTMAS EVE CRIB SERVICE 4PM<br>Please see separate notice                          |                                  |                           | MIDDLETON TYAS<br>Mrs E Croft  |
| CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE AT 6 PM MOULTON                                           |                                  |                           | Lay Led                        |
| CHRISTMAS EVE ST PETER'S CROFT MIDNIGHT MASS 11PM                                     |                                  |                           | Rev L Thorius                  |
| Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> December CHRISTMAS DAY - 11AM BARTON<br>Holy Communion        |                                  |                           | Rev Camilla Campling<br>Denton |
| THERE IS NO SERVICE AT MIDDLETON TYAS ON CHRISTMAS DAY                                |                                  |                           |                                |
|                                                                                       |                                  |                           |                                |
| Sunday 29th December 10.30 Holy Communion                                             |                                  | Joint Service at Eryholme |                                |
| All readings are as detailed in the Revised Common Lectionary unless otherwise shown. |                                  |                           |                                |

As you may have already heard, there have been no applicants for the post of rector, so we are carrying on as we have been in the past few months with help from clergy from around the diocese. The whole benefice is working well together to provide services. Please check when services have TBA ( to be arranged) listed. If you need to check, or need the services of a member of the clergy, please contact Liz Croft on the numbers below. Thankyou for your continued support.

Church Warden : Liz Croft : 01325 377867 [elizabeth.croft213@btinternet.com](mailto:elizabeth.croft213@btinternet.com)

| <b>CHURCH SERVICES – JANUARY 2025</b>  |                            |                            |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Sunday 5<sup>h</sup> January</b>    | Epiphany Sunday            |                            |
| 9.30am Morning prayer                  |                            | Mr H Swanston              |
| Sidesmen                               | Mrs J Fogarty              | Miss M Brown               |
| Reader                                 | Mrs S Vaux                 |                            |
| Readings                               | Isa 60, 1-6 P 33           | Matt 2, 1-12 P 36          |
|                                        |                            |                            |
| <b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>. January</b> | The Baptism of Christ      |                            |
| Morning Prayer                         |                            | Mrs E Croft                |
| Sidesmen                               | Mrs M Hill                 | Mrs S Hill                 |
| Reader                                 | Mr A Hindhaugh             |                            |
| Readings                               | Isa 43, 1-7 P 689          | Luke 3, 15-17, 21-22 P 691 |
|                                        |                            |                            |
| <b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>. January</b> | The Baptism of Christ      | <b>MOULTON</b>             |
|                                        |                            |                            |
| Reader                                 |                            |                            |
| Readings                               | Isaiah 43, 1-7 P 689       | Luke 3, 15-17, 21-22 P 691 |
|                                        |                            |                            |
| <b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January</b>  | 2nd. Sunday of Epiphany    | Middleton Tyas             |
| <b>9.30am Morning Prayer</b>           |                            | Mr A Hindhaugh             |
| Sidesmen                               | Mrs D Donnison             | Mrs P Greijer              |
| Reader                                 | Mrs E Croft                |                            |
| Readings                               | Isa 62, 1-5 P 692          | John 2, 1-11P 693          |
|                                        |                            |                            |
| <b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>. January</b> | 3rd. Sunday of Epiphany    | Middleton Tyas             |
| <b>Holy Communion</b>                  |                            | Rev T Hoare                |
| Sidesmen                               | Mrs L Weightman            | Dr N Weightman             |
| Readers                                | Dr N Weightman             |                            |
| Readings                               | Neh 8,1-3, 5-6, 8-10 P 694 | Luke 4, 14-21 P 698        |

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Other Communion Services throughout the benefice are as follows:

5<sup>th</sup> January 11am Eryholme

12<sup>th</sup> January 9.30 Cleasby 11am Barton

Please contact Liz Croft if you need the services of a vicar. 01325 377867  
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#### GRAVEYARD NOTICE

It has come to my attention that some people are allowing their dogs to roam off lead in the graveyards. These dog owners may be visitors, not village residents. However, may I remind you that dogs must be on a lead in the graveyards to avoid accidental fouling of consecrated ground. Thankyou. E Croft.