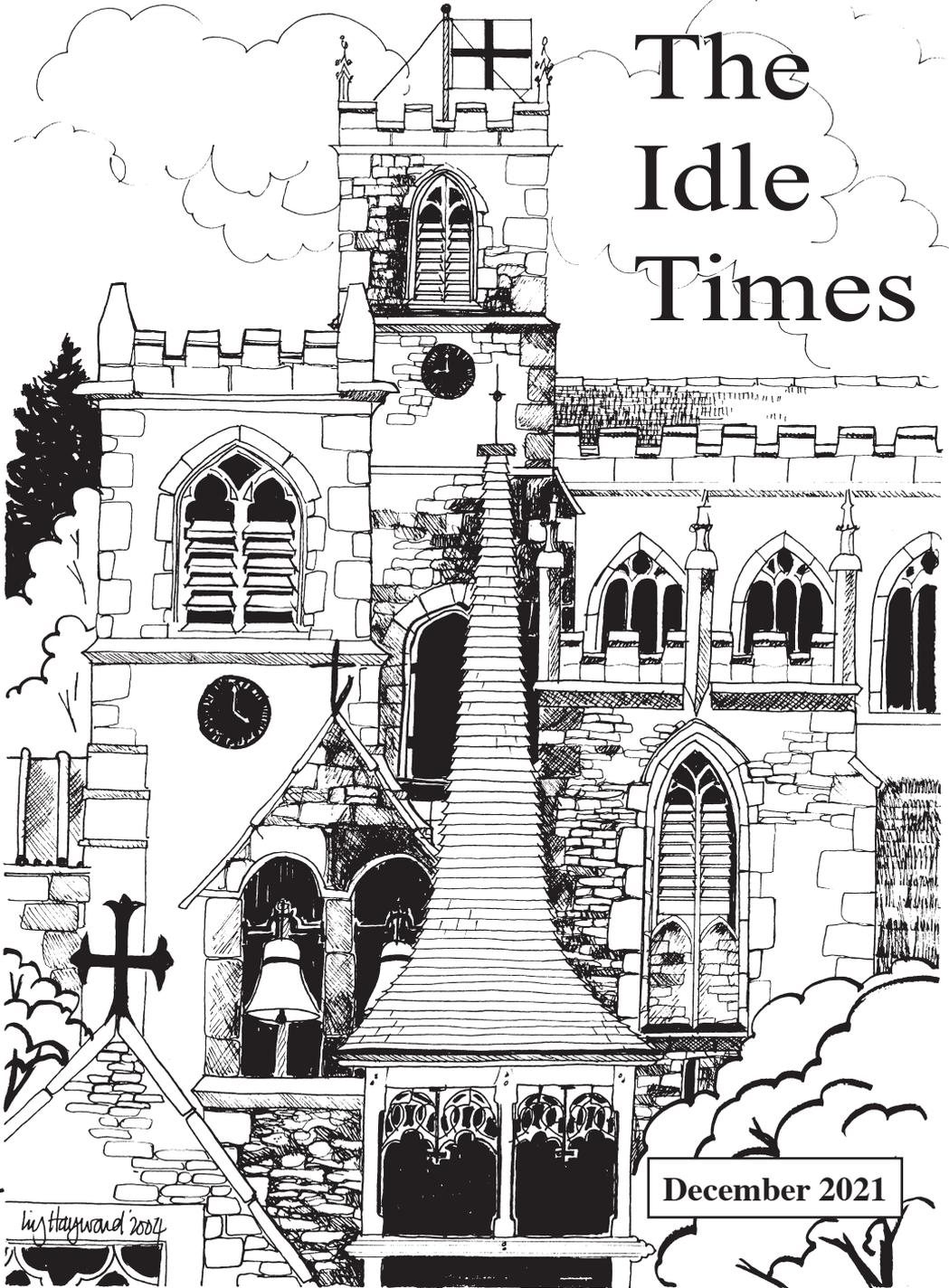


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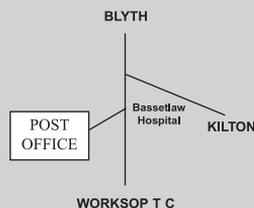
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Church Diary for December

<i>December</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Venue</i>
Sunday 5	9.00am	Holy Communion	Scofton
	9.30am	Family Service	Sutton-cum-Lound
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Babworth
	4.00pm	Christingle and Carols	Elkesley
Sunday 12	9.15am	Carol Service	West Drayton
	9.30am	Holy Communion	Sutton-cum-Lound
	11.00am	Matins	Babworth
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	Eaton & Gamston
	6.30pm	Contemporary Service	Bothamsall Village Hall
Sunday 19	9.30am	Los Posadas	Sutton-cum-Lound
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Babworth
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Elkesley
	6.00pm	Carol Service	Bothamsall
	6.30pm	Carol Service	Scofton
Christmas Eve	4.00pm	Family Christingle	Eaton & Gamston
	4.00pm	Crib Blessing	Sutton-cum-Lound
	7.00pm	Christmas Eve Communion	Bothamsall
	11.30pm	Midnight Mass	Elkesley
Christmas Day	9.30am	Holy Communion	Sutton-cum-Lound
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Babworth
	10.30am	Lessons and Carols	Eaton & Gamston
January	9.00am	Holy Communion	Scofton
Sunday 2	9.30am	Readings and Reflections	Sutton-cum-Lound
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Babworth



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Elkesley Parish Council

Notes from meeting held on Tuesday 16 November 2021

Councillor Jan O'Brien chaired the meeting.

It was reported that Councillors Joy Davies and Jean Roberts had sent letters of resignation. This means there are now two vacancies on the Parish Council. Notices have been displayed in the village.

During the public session, a villager asked if the two seats which were removed from the playing field could be reinstated.

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed as a correct record.

Financial details were given and the payments due were made.

Budget suggestions were again discussed.

It was agreed that the clerk's wages and the Grounds maintenance wages were made by standing Order instead of cheques.

A planning application has been received to erect a front entrance lobby at 30 Lawnwood Avenue. There were no objections.

A Christmas Tree is to be purchased and hopefully delivered before the end of the month. Councillor Jefferson agreed to co-ordinate this regarding erecting, lighting etc. It is hope to have the lighting ceremony done at the same time as the Christingle service. The date is unknown but Councillor Jefferson is to make enquires. Councillor O'Brien is to produce flyers to hand out. Councillors' Jefferson and Grounsell are to liaise regarding refreshments for the event.

A long discussion took place regarding the rules for the cemetery. It was finally agreed to get an independent company to come and give their opinion on the state of the cemetery. The bin the children's play area had been moved and is in need of bedding in. BDC are to be asked to do this as it is now their responsibility.

Other maintenance items brought up at the last meeting are still ongoing.

It was agreed to replace the 2 benches on the field.

The water butt still has to be moved in the cemetery. This will be done as soon as possible, but it is needed first to help clean the Skate Park.

The defibrillators are inspected on a weekly basis.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 21 December 2021. Elkesley Memorial Hall 7.00 p.m.

Services-
at St Giles, Elkesley

Sunday 5th December- 
4.00pm- Christingle and
Carols 

Sunday 19th December- 
11.00am- Holy communion

Friday 24th December - 
11.30pm Midnight Mass

ELKESLEY SCHOOL NEWS

It has been another busy month here at Elkesley Primary and Nursery School. We have been incredibly lucky to welcome Mr Bob Parker, an outdoor learning specialist, to our school. Mr Parker is working with each class in turn on everything from sensory walks to lighting fires! The children have been working hard, listening, having fun and learning so much and we can't wait to see what else he has in store for us.

Our Christmas nativity rehearsals are in full swing with the sounds of familiar songs ringing out from our youngest classrooms.

The Elkesley Innovators organised a wonderful day for Children In Need on Friday 19th November and raised a total of £186.61. We had a PJ day, each class was challenged to cover a giant Pudsey in loose change and the highlight of the day (for children and staff alike) was Soak Mr Marsh! Children paid to throw wet sponges at our Head Teacher and let's just say, it didn't disappoint!

We have also had something very special to celebrate in school this month. One of our incredibly talented children won first place in a Remembrance Day poetry competition and won a Cultman Collectables voucher. We are all so proud of her and all of her hard work, well done Abigail!

Don't forget to visit our website for all of the latest news from school along with photos of what we have been getting up to, including our outdoor learning sessions, action shots from Children In Need day and our competition prize winner with her trophy.



Christmas in Eaton

The community in Eaton would like to say 'thank you' for all your support this year to raise funds for our project to add a kitchen and toilet to our church. After 6 years of fundraising, we now have sufficient funds to be able to start the work in the new year. We would also like to welcome you at our Christmas activities in Eaton:

Evening Worship & Carols Sunday 12th December at 6.30pm: We're delighted to welcome the Ordsall Handbell Ringers to our regular monthly service of evening worship to help us to ring in Christmas with a selection of carols. The service will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Christingle Christmas Eve, 4pm: Our traditional Christingle service will take place on Christmas Eve in Eaton All Saints' church - all will be made most welcome.

Christmas Day Service 10.30am: Join us for our Christmas Day service of readings and carols in Eaton All Saints' church. Refreshments will be served after the service.

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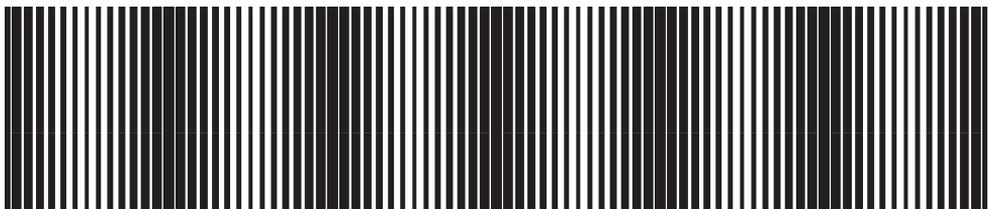
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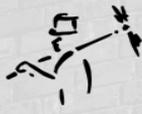
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