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CHURCH SERVICES

December

- 7th December 8am Holy Communion BCP fb Barnham
3pm Christingle Barnham *
- 14th December 3pm Carol Service Fakenham Magna
4pm Candlelight Carol Service Euston
- 15th December 7:30 pmATC Carol Service Barnham
- 18th December Barnham School Carol Services in Barnham Church
- 21st December 4pm Carol Service Euston
6pm Carol Service Barnham
- 24th December 5pm Candlelit Crib Service *
10pm 'Midnight Mass' Barnham
- 25th December 8am Holy Communion Sapiston
8.30 Holy Communion Fakenham Magna
10am Holy Communion Euston
- 28th December 10 am Blackbourne Team Holy Communion BCP Ixworth Thorpe

January

- 4th January 8am Holy Communion BCP and fb Barnham
9.15 Church Breakfast Barnham
10 am All Age Service Barnham
- 11th January 3pm Holy Communion BCO Fakenham Magna
- 18th January 10 am Parish Communion Barnham
- 25th January 9.30 Parish Communion Ixworth
6pm Evensong Ixworth Thorpe
- 30th January 7pm Barnham The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service**

*A Christmas Tea Party will follow the Christingle service on 7th December at Barnham. Everyone is invited.

**A special service when all of us from differing denominations can meet together. The preacher is Revd Canon Katy Cutnliffe from the Cathedral and there is a hot supper at Sue Nutt's house afterwards. Everyone will receive a warm welcome (and even though it is January the heating will be blasting out in the church)

Daily services continue on the Blackbourne Ministry Facebook page. Should you not wish to subscribe to Facebook, just enter Blackbourne Team Ministry in your browser.

There is a quantity of **free food** just inside the church for anyone who is finding the cost of living particularly difficult. Perhaps you may know someone who does? Please feel free to take some and give away to them.

The weekly coffee morning in Barnham Church is held in a private house during the cold weather Enquiries to Sue Nutt 890409/07818670124 There will be no coffee morning on 24th and 31 Dec.

6th December 10am – 12.30 Do come along to the **Farmers Christmas Market in Barnham Church** with all the special stalls including Edie's pork pies (twice as many this year) Woosters' bread, game, Artefact beer, cakes, local wine, good quality pre-loved clothes, vegetables, bacon butties and much more and a free glass of mulled wine on arrival. Attractive Christmas decorations, etc will also be on sale.

6th December A special exhibition of the **12 trees decorated by 12 different groups in Barnham village** will be out for viewing in the church and will remain so until the end of January. A HUGE thank you to everyone who has contributed.

At this very difficult time in the Middle East and the Ukraine please feel free to pop into St Gregory's Church, Barnham which is open every day for prayer.

If anyone would like to give a **Christmas present to the Bury St Edmunds Women's Aid** please could you wrap ladies' presents in Christmas paper (perhaps with a message or a card) and leave children's presents open so that they can be given to the appropriate age. All presents should be new items please. No clothes except for hats, gloves or scarves. Presents to Olive Deeley 01842 890586 or Sue Nutt 07818670124 please. Or they can be left in the pulpit in church. **We would like to deliver these at the beginning of the week 8 December.** £200 was sent to the Refuge from the Church Quiz Night in Barnham Village Hall at the end of October.

Thank you to all who have given their time to the many voluntary undertakings in our villages. Viz churchyard maintenance, and church cleaning, producing and delivering the Link, winding the clocks, knit and natter, raising the flags, serving on the parish councils, baking for the coffee morning and the Hall Old Kitchen on open days and much more. Thank you to each and everyone.

Barnham is so grateful to all who cut the grass and trim the trees in the churchyard, including the young people from the ATC and we welcome everyone to come there whenever they wish. However please be very careful not to let your dogs off the lead as we are finding dog poo left on the grass. This is very distressing for the bereaved and recently a group of the school children

walked in it as they were going to the War Grave. And also please take poo bags with you when you leave – not hanging on a sign there!

BARNHAM VILLAGE HALL For bookings/enquiries please call (answer machine) or text 07931 104122.

www.barnhamvillagehall.org

BARNHAM SOCIAL NIGHT

Friday 5th December Barnham Social Evening 7-11pm Over 18yrs

come along for our Christmas social. Mince pies and mulled wine available and a Christmas Quiz.

BARNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of Barnham Parish Council: Tuesday 13th January 2026 - 7pm at Barnham Village Hall.

Residents are encouraged to attend and are welcome to raise issue of concern relating to village matters.

The Local Government Reorganisation Consultation has now opened: please visit www.gov.uk and search for "local government reorganisation Suffolk", alternatively there is a link on the parish council's website www.barnham.onesuffolk.net.

To download parish council minutes and agendas please visit our website, or contact the clerk on 01359 221934 email:

barnhampc@btinternet.com

FAKENHAM MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

Fakenham Magna Parish Council meets bi-monthly. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 13th January, 2026 at Tithe Barn, Bardwell, commencing at 7:30pm. Public and Press welcome to attend.

For further information on dates and times please see the Notice Board.

Church Field, Fakenham Magna is available to use by prior arrangement with Cllr. Ray Johnston, email him at

fakenhammagnapc@live.co.uk.

LOCAL TRADES PEOPLE

EDGES TO EAVES: Property Maintenance Services. Got a problem? Better call Paul! No job too small. No obligation – free quotes. Tel: 07576 617676 / 01842 898420.

THE HAT HOUSE OF EUSTON – Country gifts, handmade local crafts, home décor & much more!

Pop in for a ***Take Away Coffee and Cake*** whilst you browse this perfect little shop the local villages needed.

Opening hours - Tuesday to Friday 9am – 2pm, Saturdays 9am – 12pm (some hours may vary from time to time)

Well behaved dogs welcome. **Shop small and support many of your local business all under one roof.**

EB BEAUTY - Located at The Hat House of Euston. Monday 12pm-8pm; Tuesday CLOSED; Wednesday 9am-

5pm; Thursday 9am-5pm; Friday 5pm-8pm; Saturday 3pm-6pm; Sunday CLOSED.

All beauty treatments available. Facebook - EB Beauty Instagram - eb.beauty19. Phone Number - 07948486125

THE COMPLETE GARDEN SERVICE: From trees and hedges, shrubs and lawns. Fences too. Big or small, we do it all.

Tel: 01842 890075/07811 321262.

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SWEET STITCHES OF BARNHAM: Alterations taken. Contact Angie on 07879994251 or 01842890660

BARNHAM HORSE RUG WASH AND REPAIR SERVICE: Contact Angie 07879994251 or 01842890660

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Email - enquiries@rglandscapes.co.uk Website - www.rglandscapes.co.uk

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Full time, part time & holiday childcare available, government funding accepted. 11 years+ experience working with all ages and abilities, with care available from Newborn. ***Based in Barnham (Dukes Ride) Mobile - 07712 229629***

Email - jessicagardiner1@hotmail.co.uk

CYPW Level 2&3, Paediatric First Aid, Safe Guarding, Special Educational Needs & Disabilities

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emma@rymerfarm.co.uk for more details.'

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Do keep in touch – email: barnhamlink@btinternet.com with any items or contact Sue Nutt.