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December 2025



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Hello Wyre Piddle - here is your December Piddle Post.

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Dates for Your Diary:

Every week 'Tuesday & Coffee' at the Village Hall. £2.00 everyone welcome. 10.30 – 12.00
6th December, Saturday, Village Hall Christmas Quiz, 7.00 for 7.30, Village Hall
7th December, Sunday, Santa will be visiting Wyre Piddle in his sleigh from 4pm
10th December, Wednesday, WI Christmas Party, Village Hall, 7.30pm
13th December, Saturday, Children's Christmas Party, Village Hall, 4-6pm.
14th December, Sunday, Piddle Pics 'Mrs Harris goes to Paris', Village Hall, 7.30.
21st December, Sunday, Bryan's Charity Christmas Quiz. 6.30 for 7.00 at The Anchor
22nd December, Monday, Carols by Candlelight. 6pm St Anne's Church.
23rd December, Tuesday, Mince Pies, Mulled Wine and Christmas Cheer. Village Hall 10.30.
Everyone welcome and it's FREE!
24th December, Wednesday, Carols on the Green, 6.30 – 7.30

And next year;

18th January, Sunday, Piddle Pics 'The unlikely pilgrimage of Harold Fry'. Village Hall 7.30.
28th January, Wednesday, Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm.
14th June, Sunday, the inaugural Wyre Piddle Open Gardens, info sarahkenyon65@icloud.com
27th June, Saturday, The Village Fete, contact Malcolm on piddlepost.wyre@gmail.com

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Village Hall Christmas Quiz

Saturday 6th December 2025

Just a few days to go and just a few seats left!

Quizmaster Simon Neale says that he has exhausted the possibilities of questions based on Christmas over the last few years, so his aim this year is a 'don't mention Christmas' Christmas Quiz! Let's see if he succeeds! We will laugh!

Thanks to everyone already booked in and we look forward to seeing you for this popular Christmas Village event - 7.00 for 7.30 start at the Village Hall. £10 pp. Including a Fish & Chip Supper and a raffle with great prizes. Bring your own drinks, nibbles, glasses and cutlery please. (and lots of cash for Raffle Tickets please, to help us pay for the new Audio Visual Surround Sound system!)

We have 9 Teams of six and the beginnings of a 10th Team so do please come and join the fun. To grab one of the last few seats, please contact Stephen Malkinson on WhatsApp 07866 940100 or malkinson@msn.com

Shhh... Santa is coming

With help from his elves at Pershore Round Table, Santa will be visiting Wyre Piddle and Lower Moor from 4pm on Sunday 7th December.



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Children's Christmas Party

Ailsa and Charlie are busy preparing for the Christmas Party – please let them know if your children (or grand-children) are coming so that they have sufficient food and gifts.

WYRE PIDDLER CHILDREN'S
**CHRISTMAS
PARTY**

SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER
4PM - 6PM | WYRE PIDDLER VILLAGE HALL

  **DISCO**

 **HOTDOGS, CAKES & DRINKS**
(Refreshments available for parents and carers for a small donation)

 **A SPECIAL VISIT FROM SANTA!**

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM:
AILSAL GALL: 07584 013476 | CHARLIE HUGHES: 07377 403836

PLEASE PARK IN THE CAR PARK AT THE BACK OF THE VILLAGE HALL AND NOT ON THE STREET OUT THE FRONT - THANK YOU!

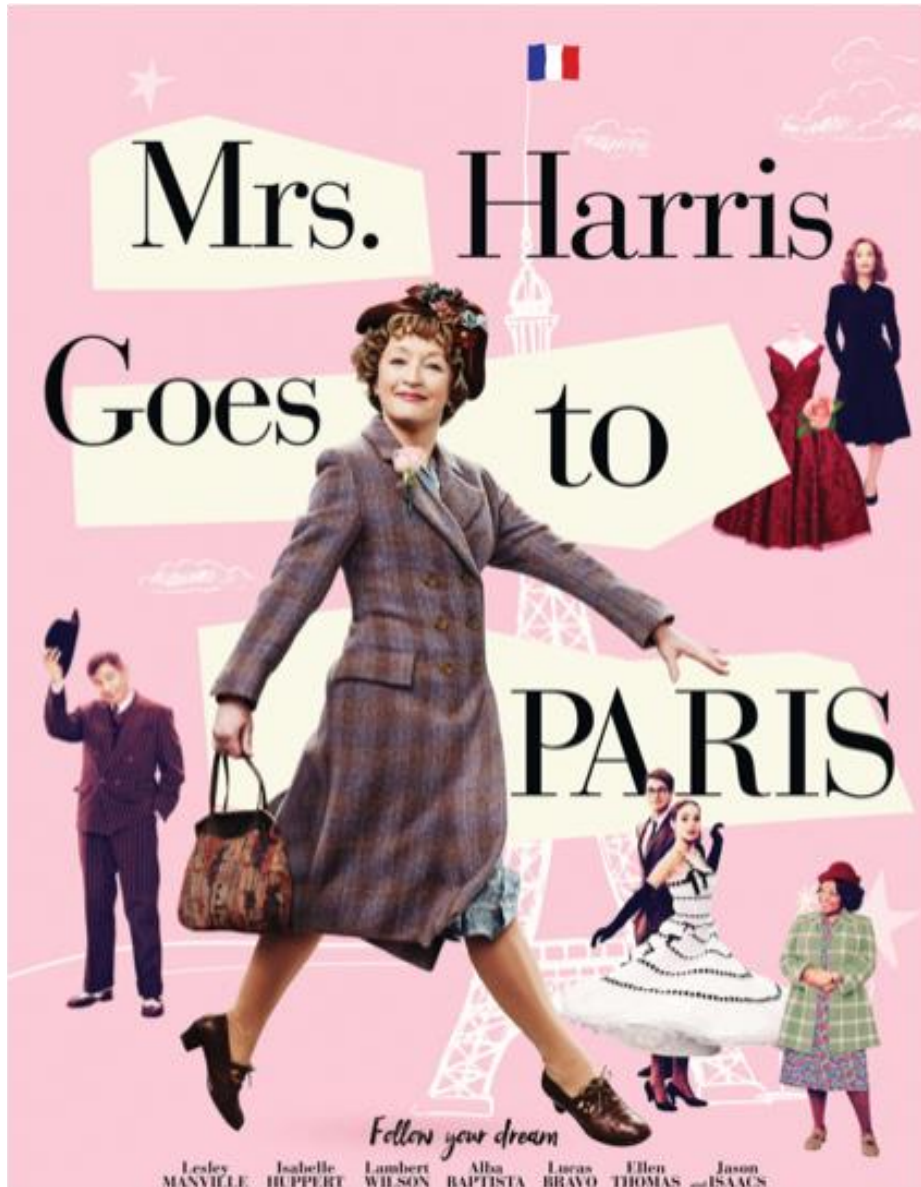
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Piddle Pics:

Piddle Pics - Christmas Special

Wyre Piddle Village Hall - Sunday 14th December at 7.30pm (doors 7pm)

Tickets £5 on the door or <https://piddle-pics.sumupstore.com/>



Oscar Nominated and 4 wins and 12 nominations at international film festivals.

Based on the book by Paul Gallico. In 1950s London, a widowed cleaning lady falls madly in love with a couture Dior dress, deciding she must have one. She embarks on an adventure to Paris that will change not only her own outlook -- but the very future of the House of Dior. Lesley Manville plays the part of Ada Harris beautifully and is supported by a superb cast.

And on Sunday January 18th we look forward to... The unlikely pilgrimage of Harold Fry.

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Tuesday & Coffee at the Village Hall

Every Tuesday | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Special Christmas Treat! To thank everyone who's joined us throughout the year, our festive morning on **Tuesday 23 December** will be **FREE**. Come along for mince pies, mulled wine, plus the usual tea, coffee and biscuits, good company and a sprinkle of Christmas cheer!

Since its humble beginnings in Fiona's sitting room just after lockdown was lifted, *Tuesday and Coffee* has grown into a weekly village activity. Being a warm, welcoming space for villagers to chat together — and a perfect way for newcomers to meet their neighbours. Everyone is welcome. If you haven't been before come and join us and make it a new year's resolution to keep coming back!



Christmas Eve Carols on The Green

On **Christmas Eve** the Pointy Tent will appear on the **Village Green** and the smell of **Mulled Wine** will begin wafting through the Village. Pershore Brass Band will arrive just in the nick of time to strike up and accompany us as we sing **Carols** from **6.30 to 7.30 pm**. As ever, this is a free community event to spread Christmas Cheer. This year the Band will be raising money for St Richard's Hospice, a local Charity which has supported so many of us. If you have any change rattling around in your pocket, the big yellow buckets will be ready to gratefully receive whatever you can spare. If you can **bring your own insulated cup**, that would be really helpful, avoiding the need for single use items. Thank you. See you there... Carrie, Mike and the Trusty Team x



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Wendy's Christmas Quiz Sheet

Dear friends, I have compiled another quiz for you. Please have a go over Christmas, and all I ask that you give a donation for Five Alive Parish general funds. The details for how to give are on the cover page of the quiz. I know your donation will be very much appreciated. Please feel free to circulate this quiz to your friends and family and encourage as many as possible to submit theirs. All details are on the front page.

Please send back by **31st December** by email, a scanned photograph, or post to: 8 Haines Avenue, Wyre Piddle, WR10 2RQ.

The names of those with correct entries will be drawn on Sunday 4th January at the 11am service in Fladbury church. Look out on the parish website for announcement of winners and news of amount raised.

The quiz is attached in two ways:

1) A PDF file for you to print out and complete

After that you can photograph it and email/post to me. Or even type out the answers on your return email, whichever is easier for you. Here is the link:

<https://media.acny.uk/media/venues/page/attachment/2025/11/4e31ddc7-8d27-4023-a84c-69a2d3a9eec8.pdf>

Christmas Quiz 2025 PDF

2) A Word document

Save to your computer, complete, then send to: w.malkinson@btinternet.com

<https://media.acny.uk/media/venues/page/attachment/2025/11/d1f4f87f-47d7-484c-9475-7aba4dd6269e.docx>

Christmas Quiz 2025 Word

I wish you fun and send my best wishes for Christmas and the New Year. Good luck! *Wendy*

Boris plays Bass?

At the end of November the Anchor Pub hosted the band Witcher which included a (possible) secret star turn by Boris Johnson. The bass guitarist had both the looks and the swagger of a national leader. Witcher certainly governed the stage and Wyre Piddle is known for attracting high profile visitors. The Anchor crowd suspected the former Prime Minister is just raising his profile in local constituencies. It was a great night - so why not visit the Pub, you never know who will be there?



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Pickle Night

Wyre Piddle raised £794.30 from its inaugural 'Pickle Night' dinner in aid of the Royal Navy & Royal Marines Charity. The Village Hall rocked to the many quirks and customs of traditional naval life, including the Hornpipe (Catherine and Kay), singing (Malcolm and Peter), guests in naval dress, and lashings of vintage Graham's Port. No one was whipped with the 'cat of nine tails' as discipline was maintained throughout the night, with no reports of guests being pickled. The organisers, Tony & Catherine Graham and family, will be donating the funds raised during the December Big Give week so hopefully the proceeds are doubled for the charity. Thank you to everyone who supported as the funds raised for the RNRM Charity do make a real difference to people's lives.

Tony Graham



Great contribution to a great evening- thanks 'Wrens' 🥰



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Tree of Remembrance

If you'd like to support Pershore Rotary's appeal in memory of a loved one...

Parish Council Update

Remembrance Sunday:

A group of villagers erected the soldiers and the poppy net around the war memorial. The service was conducted by Rev Stephen Malkinson (Retd) and the poppy reef was laid by the chairman of the Parish Council, Harvey Laud. The Act of Remembrance was followed by tea and coffee in the village hall. Donations for the British Legion Poppy Appeal raised £206.39.

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Smart Water and Neighbourhood Watch

If you would like a 'smartwater pen' to mark possessions, or if you'd like to join the village Neighbourhood Watch WhatsApp group, please email tonyloizou@wyrepiddlepc.org.uk.

Next Parish Council Meeting: is at the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 28th January. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Christmas Trees

It seems a long way off but... come January will you be contemplating your discarded Christmas Tree and putting off joining the queue at the Tip? St Richard's Hospice will collect and recycle your tree for you, and your donation will support a very good cause.



Christmas Tree Collection
Collecting 9 and 10 January

No wrestling your tree into the car, just pop it outside your home or organisation for our volunteers to collect and recycle!



Scan the QR code to register your tree for hassle free collection!

Sponsored by  **NFU Mutual**
BROMSGROVE AGENCY

Supported by **Aptean, St Peter's Garden Centre** and **Leigh Sinton Christmas Trees**

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What's on at The Anchor?

Lots of food options! There's a **Festive light lunch 2 course** menu available from 12pm until 3pm Monday to Saturday, and of course Sunday Roast with all the trimmings 12.00 – 3pm Sundays.

There's the **Saturday Breakfast morning club**, served between 10am until 12pm. Including Full English, or a bacon sarnie, or poached egg and black pudding on toast? (booking recommended)

Takeaway **fish and chips** available all week £12.95, mushy peas or curry sauce addition £2.

And lots of drink options too... **Fizz Friday** a bottle of Prosecco £18 served from 12pm.


Wet Wednesday, buy two large glasses of wine and get the remaining bottle free.

Bryan's Brilliant Christmas Charity Quiz. Sunday 21st December. Teams of up to six people, entry £3.00 per person, all of which goes to charity. No booking necessary. 6.30 for 7.00 start. The Anchor.

Wychavon Parish Games 2025

The Games have come to an end for another year!

Although I have not kept up with regular updates on progress this year, myself and the captains have plodded on and entered events with enthusiasm.

Our biggest success this year was by the Junior table tennis team who won  their event so a huge achievement by them. As a parish we finished in 7th place overall.

As I said at the beginning of the 2025 games, I was unable to give the time or effort needed to be the parish captain. As no-one stepped forward I did agree to put my name to the paperwork but not a lot else, invariably I stepped into help out with a few issues but I didn't really get stuck in. I will not be doing this again next year.

It needs NEW people, some captains have expressed that 2025 has been their final year too. A new organiser will know different (dare I say younger) people and hopefully give Wyre Piddle the boost it needs. If anyone is interested, I am happy to chat about what is involved, it has been a very enjoyable experience but time for me to hand it over.

The biggest of THANKS goes from me to all the Captains who have helped out, most of you were nagged into it 4 years ago and have stuck with it, it genuinely wouldn't have happened without you. Finally, thank you to anyone and everyone who has competed in any event over the years, again without you lot we wouldn't have had so much fun or won so many trophies.

Jen x

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News from St Anne's



Christmas at St Anne's Church **Carols by Candlelight** Monday 22nd December at 6 pm

The story of Christmas around the Nativity Crib

Popular carols by candlelight

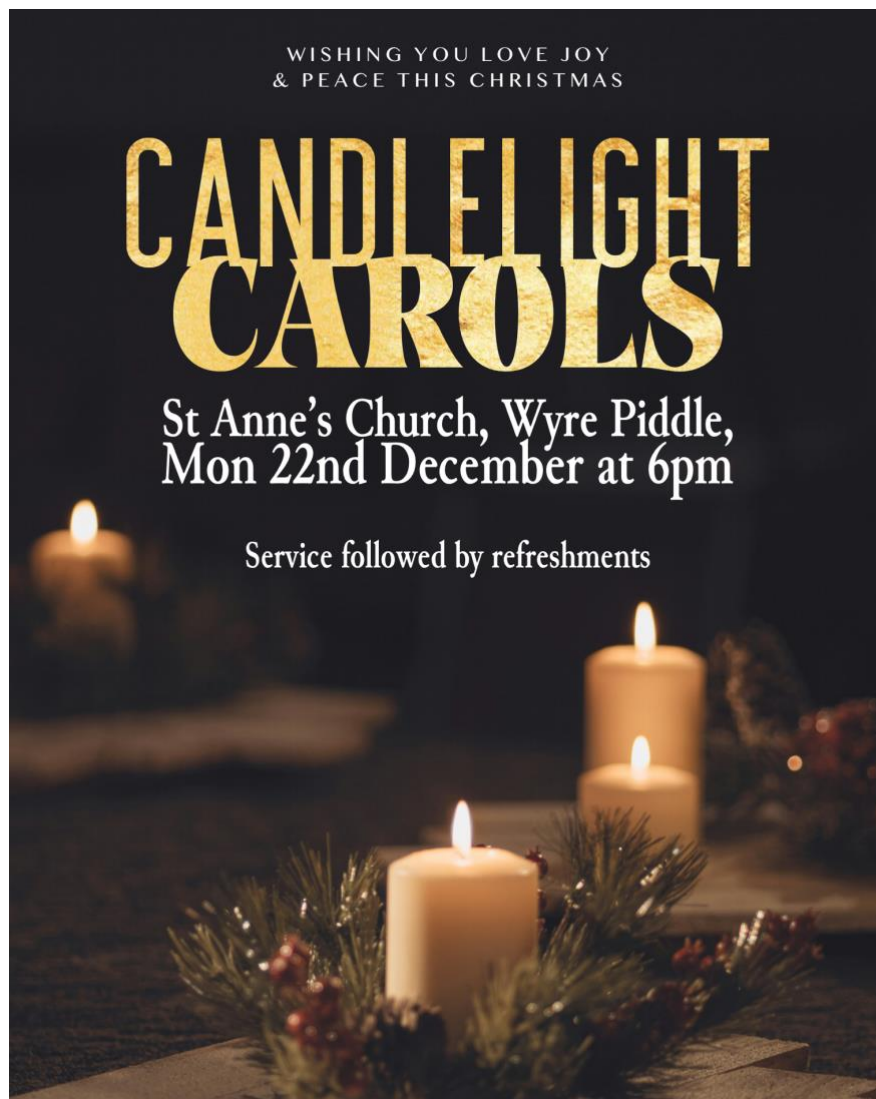
Music ... readings ... prayers for peace

Followed by a party with mulled wine, mince pies and more -

We'd love to see you with all the family!



We wish you all a very joyful, peaceful and blessed
Christmastime and in to the New Year



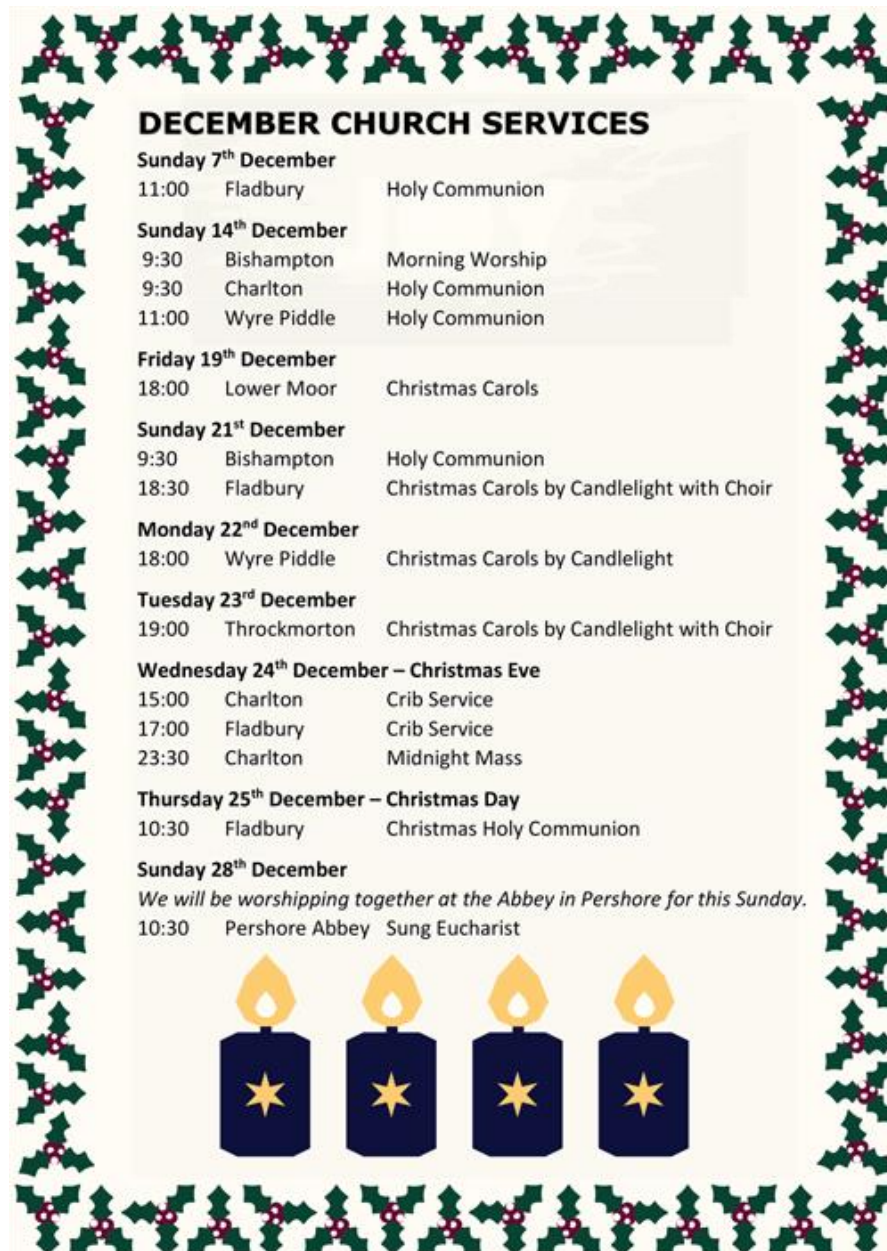
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Sarah writes:

I love the season of Advent. I love seeing all the festive lights and the decorations. In our homes and on our streets, we see how light changes everything. A joyful reminder to everyone of Jesus who came at Christmas as the Light for all people everywhere. I hope this season brings you joy and hope.

Join us at Fladbury for a Candlelit Advent Carol Service with the choir on Sunday 30 November at 6.00pm and then on Monday 22 December at 6.00pm at St Anne's for a Candlelit Christmas Carol Service.

On Christmas Eve there is a Crib Service at 5.00pm at Fladbury, a Midnight Mass at 11.30pm at Charlton, and on Christmas Day at 10.30am a Holy Communion service with carols at Fladbury.



DECEMBER CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 7th December
11:00 Fladbury Holy Communion

Sunday 14th December
9:30 Bishampton Morning Worship
9:30 Charlton Holy Communion
11:00 Wyre Piddle Holy Communion

Friday 19th December
18:00 Lower Moor Christmas Carols

Sunday 21st December
9:30 Bishampton Holy Communion
18:30 Fladbury Christmas Carols by Candlelight with Choir


Monday 22nd December
18:00 Wyre Piddle Christmas Carols by Candlelight

Tuesday 23rd December
19:00 Throckmorton Christmas Carols by Candlelight with Choir

Wednesday 24th December – Christmas Eve
15:00 Charlton Crib Service
17:00 Fladbury Crib Service
23:30 Charlton Midnight Mass

Thursday 25th December – Christmas Day
10:30 Fladbury Christmas Holy Communion

Sunday 28th December
We will be worshipping together at the Abbey in Pershore for this Sunday.
10:30 Pershore Abbey Sung Eucharist



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WI News

We had a happy evening this month at the WI making fused glass ornaments. Our teacher, Vicky, began by explaining the different types of glass and the many beautiful ornaments we could create, from colourful stars to delicate hearts. The room soon filled with laughter and chatter as we carefully chose our glass pieces, cut and arranged them into our own unique designs. It was fascinating to see how the light caught each shard, hinting at how lovely they would look once finished. Vicky has fired the stained glass ornaments for us and everyone is already excited to see the final results of our creative evening together... to whet our appetites we have a collage of the finished decorations.



Our December meeting will be our Christmas Party - traditional games, Christmas snacks and festive jumpers and accessories! If you might like to join our WI you would be very welcome to come to a meeting - contact our secretary Wendy Berry wyrepiddlesec@wfedwi.org.uk
Website: wyrepiddlewi.wixsite.com/wpwi

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Christmas Shoe Box



Thank you Wyre Piddle for your 22 Christmas Shoe Boxes which will be distributed in Ukraine by The Red Cross. The warehouse in Evesham has received 16,000 boxes so far from across the south of England.

Wyre Piddle Village Hall 100 Club

The special Christmas draw will take place at the Village Hall quiz next weekend.

Editors' Note

Another year nearly over, and again we have come to the close of the Wychavon Parish Games. Well done to the Junior Table Tennis winners and all the teams and captains who represented the village. And most importantly – Jen Rushton, thank you for all your hard work over the years to keep our teams playing and sometimes winning, but always enjoying themselves. Without you there wouldn't have been captains, or teams, or results, or trophies. You're a star. We appreciate all your hard work and hope that next year you'll be able to sit and watch as the next generation of Wyre Piddlers carry on this great tradition. Since 1978, Gary Robinson, Carrie Oakley and Jen Rushton have each ensured that Wyre Piddle was well represented and punched well above its weight in the Parish Games. **Piddle Post joins Jen Rushton's appeal for someone to keep our lovely Village engaged in this local version of the Olympic Games. Please have a chat to Jen or Piddle Post.** Thanks also to Becky Parkington for sending in our evocative cover photo of one of the Wyre swans, taken from Smith's Meadow. After some debate we WILL be producing a January edition of the Piddle Post – please let us know if you have any events to promote. Unlike most of us the Piddle Post is always slimmer in January! Each month we distribute printed copies of the Piddle Post to those who need them. We are aware that next month our delivery team may be doing that in ice and snow, so it's a good time to say a warm thank you to Michèle Humphreys and Jennie Kitson who go out whatever the weather.



We wish everyone in Wyre Piddle a wonderful Christmas, and looking forward to seeing you at our village celebrations.



As always, if you know of anyone who would like to be on our distribution list, or needs a printed copy, or if you have photos or items for next ~~month~~ year... contact us on

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Malcolm Haden & Penny Carr

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Wyre Directory

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Wyre Piddle Village WhatsApp Community	Various admins!	Send WhatsApp message asking to join to 07516 651093 – you will be sent a link
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