

The magazine for the village of Pinvin

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Seasons greetings to all our readers and best wishes for 2023!

Thank you to everyone who has helped with Pinpoint throughout the year. I hope you enjoy the December issue. We take a break in January, but we will be back in February so do get in touch with your news and articles before then.

Melanie











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Deadline for February issue: 22nd January 2023 We hope to hear from you!

News and messages from around Pinvin



St Nicholas Church, Pinvin

Services: 10.30am on 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

All are welcome at all services - do come alona.

Dear Friends.

Every year it's the same. Like waiting for the next big film to come out, I wait patiently for the Christmas adverts to hit our screens! I'm always struck by how companies approach this busiest and most commercial time of the year.

We'll all have our favourite adverts already, the ones that make us smile and laugh, the ones that make us ooh and ahh, the ones that make us cry. It's been noticeable this year that many of the major brands have tried to reflect the reality that we are living in difficult and challenging times, and that for many households money is going to be even tighter this year.

There has been high praise this year for the John Lewis (other shops are available!) Christmas advert. As ever it's a beautifully shot advert, but instead of focusing on all the expensive gifts we might be tempted to buy one another, it shares the story of a couple getting ready to welcome a young person into their family. It is so moving to watch the man patiently and determinedly using his time to perfect his skateboarding technique, a hobby the young person shares.

What the man shares is a priceless and beautiful gift and reminds us that the gift of our time and our interest in others can be so much more valuable than anything else we could give this Christmas. We are all fearful and worried about the cost of living, so perhaps this year we too can make the decision to gift our time and interest, instead of buying expensive gifts. What a difference that could make to the people around us!

At the heart of Christmas is God's gift to us, Jesus. Jesus spent a lifetime getting alongside people, sharing his time, having conversations, loving, and caring for others. This Christmas we are invited to do the same. And what we begin this Christmas can last more than just the days of Christmas. Let's make 2023 a year when we all look out for each other, knowing that we are all special in God's eyes, and that God has all the time in the world for us too.

Wishing everyone a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Claire - Revd Canon Claire A Lording

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St Nicholas Church Pinvin: Sunday Services

All services will start at 10:30am unless stated otherwise

Advent 2 4th December St Nicholas - our Patron. Sunday Praise

Advent 4 18th December Holy Communion and Carols

Christmas Eve 24th December At 5.30 pm

Christingle and Crib Service and

the Rocket

Sunday Praise

Naming of Jesus 1st January Benefice sung Eucharist (At Pershore

Refreshments will generally be available after the service.

Abbey and not in Pinvin)

Second Sunday 15th January

after Epiphany

The **Remembrance Sunday service** on 13th November was very well attended, and again featured input by the Pinvin Girl Guides who read a poem and the prayers - very well done girls.

Christmas Eve service: Mums and Dads - we would love your children to be involved in putting our crib together with the model animals and people, including baby Jesus. After the service we will set off our traditional Pinvin Rocket!

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU

from all the St Nicholas Church PCC



Glen Hurst - Churchwarden

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Should any Pinvin villagers like to attend the meetings or be part of the PCC, please contact the Benefice office or any of the above people.

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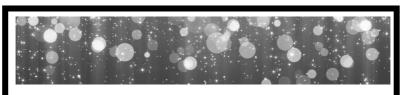


Pinvin Poppies WI

We meet at Pinvin Memorial Hall on the third Wednesday of the month starting at 7.30pm. We are a super friendly bunch and welcome new members from all over Worcestershire!

At our November meeting we learnt how to make a beautiful Christmas bauble using small scraps of fabric. Everyone really enjoyed the chance to make something with the added bonus of plenty of time for chat! The best bauble of the evening was selected as Pinvin Poppies Committee contribution to the county WI tree which will be displayed at the Christmas Tree Festival at Worcester Cathedral. Keep an eye out for it if you go!

At the time of writing, we are looking forward to our first ever **Christmas Fayre**, and our **Christmas Celebration on 21st December**. Please join us for this or for our first meeting of the new year on **18th January**, when we will have a talk on **Ways To Tie A Scarf** by image consultant Jo Gaffney from the House of Colour.





You are warmly invited to our

Christmas Celebration

featuring the WFedWIs' Performing Arts Group
Wednesday 21st December



@ 7.30 pm
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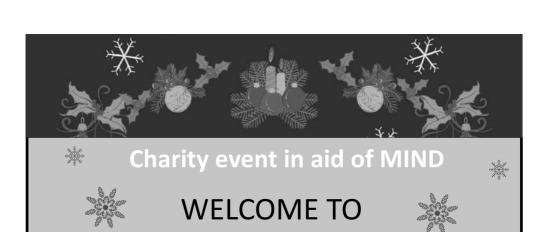




Sara Ashton - President of the Pinvin Poppies WI

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Christmas Market

Raffle/ tombola

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News and messages from around Pinvin



Throckmorton New Town

We have an important opportunity to show the inspector that this is a **bad plan**.

Public opposition and objections through the consultation process are hugely important. Make your views known to the planners and help prevent a major new town.

The consultation period ends at midnight on 13 December 2022.

Details of the process can be found at

www.swdevelopmentplan.org

(look for the link to the consultation at the top of the page).

How to take part:

You can complete an **online comment form**, **download a form** to fill in and send back, or **collect a paper copy of the form** from Pershore library to send in to the council. You can also send your objections directly to **contact@swdevelopmentplan.org**

We have produced an information sheet with ideas for things to include in your comments, as well some areas to avoid as they will not be taken into account. Please call or email me if you would like a copy of this.

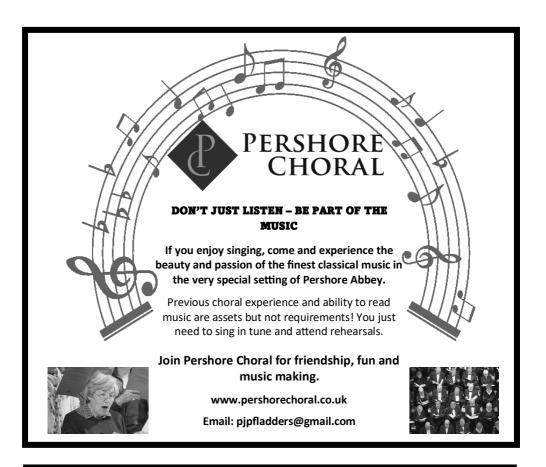
Local parish councils are working together to submit a detailed report contesting the decision to choose Throckmorton for a new town. If you have any evidence to support this or expertise that you could share, please complete the contact form at www.batpc.org.uk/tnt-action.

Dan Boatright - County Councillor

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News from Rubix Dance







Rubix Dance - Pinvin Dance Club weekly on Thursdays Age 4 (reception) to 9 year olds - 4.30 - 5.15 pm.

For more information contact Clare on 07944 334424

Parish Council Contact Details

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Pinvin in the Past



Christmas Memories

What are your earliest Christmas memories? Mine go back to the mid 1940's and times spent with my grandparents (my grandmother from Pinvin).

A few pre-war decorations were put up Christmas Eve – mainly a big dark blue crepe paper sheet with white nativity scenes outlined, a small REAL Christmas tree adorned with beautiful (and very fragile) glass ornaments which reflected the light from the flickering candle flames whose holders clipped the small tree branches (health and safety regulations hadn't yet been invented!) My mother (also born in Pinvin) used to visit our nearby city late afternoon to queue for a chicken as meat was sold off cheaply at the end of the day's trading.

I always looked forward to Christmas morning and finding a pillowcase containing a few presents and the last out (always) was a small sugar mouse!

An old book printed 1867 contains instructions for making mince-meat ;-

"Take seven pounds of currants well picked and cleaned; of finely chopped beef suet, the loin of a sirloin of beef minced raw, finely chopped apples (Kentish or golden pippins), each three and a half pounds; citron, lemon peel, and orange peel cut small, each half a pound; fine moist sugar, two pounds; mixed spice, an ounce; the rind of four lemons and four Seville oranges; mix well, and put in a deep pan. Mix a bottle of brandy and white wine, the juice of the lemons and oranges that have been grated, together in a basin; pour half over and press down tight with the hand, then add the other half and cover closely."

I wonder how many mince pies THAT made!

Cynthia Johnson