

The PCC have met 11 times during the year and much work has been done and organised by them. The year's events started with the annual plant sale and coffee morning which as usual was hugely successful thanks to Rosetta's hard work over several months. This was followed by a coffee morning for Christian Aid held at Marion and Richards home. We do thank them so much for this. In May we linked with the Pennoyer Centre to do a joint fundraiser showing Pulham St Mary in the past and the present with photo exhibitions, walks round the village and the church. Flower arrangements in the church depicting the churches year.. Lady Roberts kindly invited us to hold our Fete in her grounds. The weather was lovely and was much enjoyed sadly it clashed with the World Cup and an event at the Pennoyer Centre.

For Open Churches week in August Rev'd Steer displayed a Lifeline of Prayer and was present in the church throughout the day.

3 ladies from the PCC walked round churches in Norwich raising money for the Norfolk Churches Trust and St Mary's Church.

The Harvest Festival service was taken by Rev'd Steer and the congregation enjoyed lunch after the service and the produce was auctioned and proceeds went to Christian Aid and CHIKS which stands for Children Homes in Kerala State which Mrs Wilson is involved with. She very kindly gave a talk at the Pennoyer Centre with slides on her latest visit and donations were received for the charity.

In September the Glebe land was cleared by the Diocese to allow us to use this land for parking when we have the Music in Country Churches concert in July.

In November we joined with Dickleburgh for WW1Centenary celebrations organised by Rev'd Steer.

The annual Christmas Bazaar was held in the church which was tremendously successful. A sale of wreaths and table decorations was also held in the church in December and Carols were sung around the village with donations going to EACH. Our thanks to Gale Hodgkinson for leading our much loved Crib Service again year. The church looked lovely in candlelight.

Lunches continue 6 times a year in the Pennoyer Centre raising money for restoration of the church, but it is much more of a social event with people coming from surrounding villages and enjoying each other's company. Rev'd Steer has again this year lead a very good Lent course followed by soup and bread rolls. Donations go to the Diocesan Lent appeal.

Sadly we lost Rev'd Margaret Doggett a much loved member of our village and church. A special service of thanksgiving was held in the church in November. She is very sadly missed.

Messy Church continued in the church until December. They joined in the Mothering Sunday service with the Benefice and are planning activities during a morning in half term followed by lunch.

The PCC all did safeguarding training and received certificates.

The churchyard is a member of the Norfolk Wildlife Trust and later in the year someone from the Trust will come to identify what wildflowers there are. Where graves are tended and all newer graves will be kept cut and plants will be identified and only mown in September.

Community service came and cleared the north side of the churchyard and hope they will do this again next September.

The War Graves Commission have attached a sign to the wall at the entrance of the driveway to raise awareness that there are War graves in our churchyard.

Smart Water has been applied to the roof of the church and items inside the church.

Trailblazers continue to meet in Pennoyer centre from September to May and in the church in June and July.

The parish magazine is printed monthly thanks to Walter Pipe, Andy Brooks and Katie Andrews.

They print 216 for Pulham Market and 248 for Pulham St Mary. Thanks also to the 10 volunteers who distribute these. They also produce service sheets and the church guide book.