



Religious Association of the Anglican Church of Pas-de-Calais

The Chaplaincy Newsletter – January 2024



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New Year Blessings to all our readers

Last year, was a very hard year for so many people at home and around the world. Let's pray that this New Year will bring Hope, Love, Joy and Peace. Maranatha

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

Our January Services

Salle de l'Arsenal, Rue de l'Arsenal, Hesdin.

07th Jan 10.30 - Lay led Epiphany Service – Marilyn Dossat

21st Jan 10.30 – Lay led Service – David / Daphne

Oratory of Notre Dame de la Misericorde, rue Gaillard, Calais

07th Jan 11.00 - Lay led Epiphany Service – Pat Page

21st Jan 11.00 – Lay led Service – Pat Page

Monastere du Carmel, Rue du Denacre, Saint Martin Boulogne.

07th Jan 10.30 - Lay led Epiphany Service

21st Jan 10.30 – Lay led Service

Please check with chaplaincy website for amendments to services <https://anglicanspdc.org>

ZOOM services every 2nd and 4th Sunday at 10.30am- link below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81308857876?pwd=ektZUy9RcGZ6dTdxdjBSMWE5K3V0QT09>

Weds Compline at 9 pm (Linda says, come along earlier if you wish to chat) link below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87872685714?pwd=U1FNVURPb2NWL2UxUXpkc09ZR2wydz09>



The Solidarité Association organised 'A Christmas Market' 2nd December 2023

Thank you to all those who supported the Christmas market held in Pernes-les-Boulogne in aid of the three charities supported by the Chaplaincy. Despite the snow, the event was well supported and Santa was there in person - *with a very convincing Ho, ho, ho!*

A total of €602 was raised for the three charities. **Linda Pilliere**

Resto du Coeur, Hesdin - Fiac, Berck - Lifeboats, Calais



The Walkers Christmas Lunch



Members of Hesdin's walking group met for their Christmas Lunch at the ***L'auberge des oiseaux chantants*** in Willeman on Tuesday 5th December.

The event was very well attended and people remarked on how this group of walking friends has grown from only four walkers to about fifty!

This very sociable occasion was enjoyed by all and the meal was delicious. **Daphne Power**



Christmas Carol Service

A Joint Ecumenical Carol Service with the Anglican Church and the Catholic Church of Hesdin, was held at Notre Dame Catholic Church in Hesdin at 17.30, on the 17th December 2023.

The service was led by Father Simon Walker and Abbé Vincent Blin, and the music was provided by the **Choir de la Coecilia**, led by **Marie-Christine Desobry**.

More than a hundred people attended from the French and English communities.

The service was followed by an invitation from the Anglican church, welcoming the local catholic community to partake in a seasonal glass of mulled wine and mince pies in the parish rooms, and was much enjoyed by everyone.

Ecumenical events such as these are welcomed by both Father Simon Walker and Abbé Vincent Blin, supporting and bringing communities together. **Daphne Power**



Simon Walker at the lectern
Abbé Vincent Blin behind

ÉGLISE

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Chants de Noël



Un temps de partage à l'aube de la nativité.

HESDIN Ce dimanche 17 décembre en l'église Notre-Dame, une soixantaine de personnes ont assisté à une célébration de Noël catholique et anglicane avec la participation de la chorale de la Coecilia, dirigée par Marie-Christine Desobry, qui avait répondu l'invita-

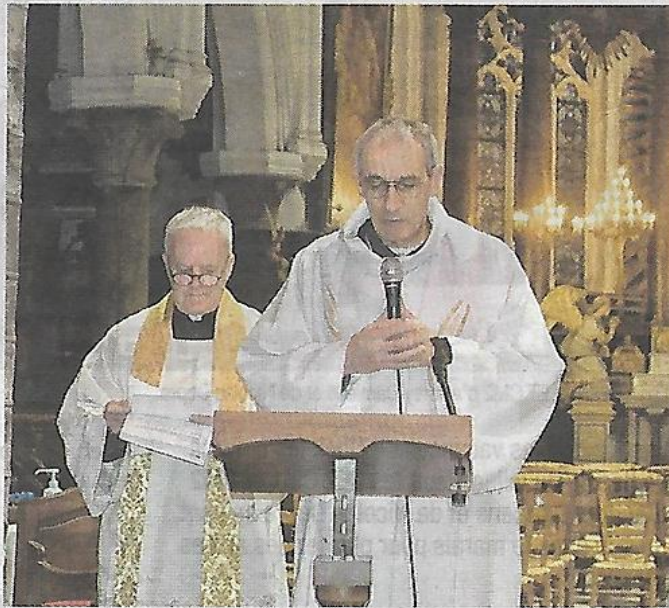
tion de la communauté anglicane. Les choristes ont interprété des chants de Noël, prestation suivie du partage d'un vin chaud et de la dégustation de « Mince Pies », tartlette sucrée de Grande-Bretagne, à la salle paroissiale, rue de l'Arse-



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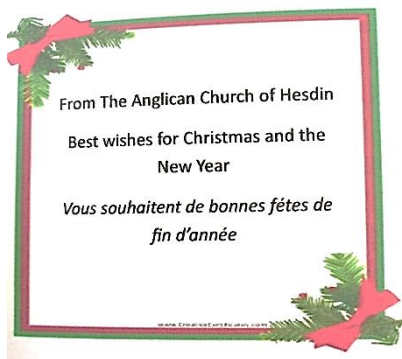
HESDIN // Veillée de Noël

En attendant le Christ



Dimanche 17 décembre, une soixantaine de personnes ont assisté à la veillée de Noël dans l'église Notre-Dame. Cette célébration catholique et anglicane était accompagnée de la chorale de la Cécilia, dirigée par Marie-Christine Desobry. Ils avaient ensuite rendez-vous pour un vin chaud et de la « mince pies » (tartelettes sucrées anglaises) dans la salle paroissiale.

Christmas Gifts for Asylum Seekers in Beaurainville



A very big THANK YOU to the Hesdin congregation on behalf of the asylum seekers and the staff from Fiac who are responsible for them; for your very generous gifts of toiletries, biscuits, chocolates, sweets and toys. *MCD/ed*



Nine Lessons and Carols

Boulogne and Calais' Nine lessons and carols was well attended and we were delighted to welcome a group of migrants from Calais who joined in the service.

Clare Page, as usual, gave us a great musical accompaniment and Jean's delicious mince pies and Pauline's butter cookies were as popular as ever. Shoeboxes and bags of Christmas goodies (including socks and woolly hats) were handed to the group from Maria Skobstova House. *Linda Pillere*



Channel 2H



Hôtel de Ville
62140 Hesdin

**Vous êtes cordialement invités
à venir partager la GALETTE 2024
le vendredi 12 janvier
à partir de 19 heures
en mairie d' Hesdin (salle de musique)**

La galette et les boissons sont offertes aux membres de l'association. Une participation de 5 euros sera demandée aux non-membres.

Merci de renvoyer le bulletin ci-dessous à l'adresse suivante avant le **5 janvier**.

Please return the slip below to the following address before **January 12th**.

Mme la présidente Andrée MORONVAL
CHANNEL 2H
Hôtel de ville
62140 Hesdin

	<i>participeront à la galette 2024</i>
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Quiz with a local French flavour

Prizes – with a French flavour - will be offered to the senders of the first three sets of 30 correct answers received by the compiler: mjspriggs@mail.com

Below the questions, are the answers to Michaels Quiz-with-a-French-flavour.

Michael writes: *Perhaps the questions were a bit too obscure: the sad news is that I received only one correct set of answers. And that came from my son, William! Who doesn't live in France! So, to avoid being accused of nepotism, I shan't be awarding him a prize - just a pat on the back, with the reassurance that perhaps those expensive school fees weren't entirely wasted... 😊*

1. What is the name of the creamy French soup based on a strained broth of shellfish, derived from the name of the body of water between Spain and France?
2. Which cyclist, nicknamed *Le Blaireau* (The Badger), was the last Frenchman to win the Tour de France?
3. The village of Beaurainville is referred to in which internationally famous mediaeval work?
4. The Column of the *Grande Armée* in honour of Napoleon is located in which town?
5. Produced and sold in France by Heineken France is an Irish red beer with what man's name in the brand's title?
6. Montreuil-sur-Mer is associated with which famous 19th century French novelist?
7. France's largest mining museum is located in which town in the Hauts de France?
8. Which historical figure is commemorated with the most statues in France?
9. What kind of food item is the *churro* – sold in many places in Le Touquet?
10. Who put the question: “How would you like to govern a country with 246 different kinds of cheese?”
11. What is the English equivalent of *Poisson d’Avril*?
12. If you ordered a couple of *stères* what would you be buying?
13. From which French hamlet did Louis Bleriot take off for the first successful flight across the Channel?
14. What French speciality is traditionally prepared on the feast of *La Chandeleur*?
15. Where might you meet *Marie Gruette*?
16. Though invented in England, Meccano for decades was manufactured in which French c
17. Ian Fleming's first Bond novel, Casino Royale was inspired by the author's association with which French resort?
18. Which French woman is associated with the creation of the Remembrance Poppy Day?
19. If you were offered *une t'chiote bistoule*, what would you do with it?
20. Who is the only English soldier commemorated with a statue in France?
21. The Calais lace making industry was established in the 19th century by migrant workers from which English city?
22. The creator of the famous statue of Christ the Redeemer in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil also designed a celebrated statue in the Pas de Calais. Which character is represented?
23. What was the name of the Viking city in the Pas de Calais, rivalling York in importance, which mysteriously disappeared in the 10th century?
24. What creatures might you see if you went down the *Chemin aux Raisins* in Berck?
25. Which French Formula 1 racing driver has won 51 Grand Prix titles?
26. Novelist Charles Dickens stayed with his English mistress in which local French seaside resort?
27. Which sport was contested for the first and only time in the Paris 1900 Olympic Games?
28. Which French city remained a British possession until the late 16th century?

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29. The royal coat of arms of which country which occupied the Pas de Calais in the 17th century is depicted on the town hall in Hesdin?
30. Which is the longest of the rivers that make up the 7 Vallées?

French Quiz: Answers

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| 1. Bisque | 17. Le Touquet |
| 2. Bernard Hinault | 18. Anna Guérin |
| 3. Bayeux Tapestry | 19. Drink it! (It is local Ch'ti dialect for "a little coffee with a shot") |
| 4. Wimille | 20. Field Marshal Montgomery (in Colleville-Montgomery, Normandy) |
| 5. George Killian | 21. Nottingham |
| 6. Victor Hugo | 22. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig |
| 7. Lewarde, east of Arras | 23. Quentovic |
| 8. Joan of Arc | 24. Seals |
| 9. Type of doughnut | 25. Alain Prost |
| 10. Charles de Gaulle | 26. Hardelot |
| 11. April Fool's Day | 27. Cricket |
| 12. Logs (it is a 1m 3 measure) | 28. Calais |
| 13. Les Baraques (Blériot-Plage, Calais) | 29. Spain |
| 14. Crêpes (French pancake day) | 30. The Canche |
| 15. In the marshes (she is a witch) | |
| 16. Calais | |

A Christmas Quiz with Answers in bold– from Graham Hughes

1. Which world leader celebrates their birthday on Christmas Day? **Trudeau**
2. When do the 12 Days of Christmas start? **Dec 25th**
3. Which country annually sends a Christmas tree to be erected in London's Trafalgar Square? **Norway**
4. Which monarch delivered the first Royal Christmas Day message? **Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands**
5. Which country is credited with starting the Christmas tree tradition? **Germany**
6. Which ocean can Christmas Island be found in? **Pacific**
7. What is your star sign if you are born on Christmas Day? **Capricorn**
8. Which plant based Christmas tradition was started by servants in Victorian Britain? **Mistletoe**
9. How many lessons and carols are celebrated? **9**
10. How many reindeer does Santa need – and what are they called? **9 Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen, Rudolph, Olive**
11. What play did Shakespeare give to Queen Elizabeth as a Christmas present? **The Merry Wives of Windsor**
12. What momentous event occurred on Dec 25 1066? **Coronation of William the conqueror**
13. Where did the famous World War 1 football match on Christmas day take place? **The Somme**
14. What electronic device might a black American terrorist give his son Roentgen as a Christmas present? **an Xbox**
15. How many gifts in total were given in the 12 Days of Christmas? **364**
16. Which carol was sung by British and German soldiers in the trenches during the 1914 Christmas truce? **Silent night**

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17. Which Christmas carol tells the story of a Duke of Bohemia (now modern-day Czech Republic)? **Good King Wenceslas**
18. What is traditionally hidden inside a Christmas pudding? **A sixpence**
19. Which ruler allegedly banned mince pies in Britain in the 1600s? **Oliver Cromwell**
20. Stollen is the traditional fruit cake of which country? **Germany**
21. Who served up figgy pudding in Charles Dickens A Christmas Carol? **Mrs. Cratchit, Bob Cratchit's wife,**
22. What name is given to small sausages wrapped in bacon? **Pigs in Blankets**
23. Butter is traditionally mixed with which spirit to make Christmas pudding? **Brandy**
24. Back in Tudor times, what did women who wanted to find a husband eat in the hope of finding a partner? **Gingerbread men**
25. Which fruit is traditionally put inside a Christmas stocking? **Tangerine/Mandarin**
26. What did turkeys in Norfolk wear in Victorian England when they were walked to London? **Boots**
27. In which country is it now traditional to eat Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC) for Christmas dinner? **Japan**
28. Which composers wrote Christmas Oratorios? **JS Bach, Telemann. Støetzel, also Felix Mendelssohn composed the chorale cantata Josef Rheinberger wrote Der Stern von Bethlehem Also Britte's ceremony of carols might qualify**
29. Who did not write light carols? **Harold Darke**
30. In which Prague square can you perhaps collect wood? **Wenceslas Square**
31. Which horned figure is said to punish naughty children at Christmastime? **Crampus**
32. Which famous scientist was born on Christmas Day in 1642? **Newton**
33. Where would you like to spend Christmas in Northern Belgium? **Sint Niklas**
34. What are pigs in blankets called in Scotland? **Kilted Soldiers**
35. What year was tinsel invented – 1610, 1710 or 1810? **1610**
36. In which country is it traditional for a family to take a sauna together on Christmas Eve? **Estonia**
37. Where is it traditional to eat deep-fried caterpillars of the Emperor Moth on Christmas Day? **South Africa**
38. What is the traditional Christmas dinner in Galicia (Spain)? **Salt cod**
39. What is another name for Boxing Day Feast of Stephen **(St Stephen's day)**
40. When does the Russian Orthodox Church celebrate Christmas? **January 7th**

Some useful links:

The Prayer Circle prays for you 'in confidence' please email to: ourprayersr4u@mail.com and write 'Prayer Request' in the Subject line.

Please note: The prayer circle is always here to pray for you, your family or friends, but please remember to ask their permission before sending in a prayer request. *mcd/ed*

Newsletter contributions: Please send any items of chaplaincy news, services, meetings, what's on in your area; and forthcoming events to mcatchdossat@gmail.com

Note: Please remember that if you plan on sending photographs, do ask peoples permission first; and be aware that pictures or images may be copyright. *Thanks, mcd/ed*

This newsletter, together with contact details for our Church Wardens, is also on our website <https://anglicanspdc.org>

Safeguarding Policy <https://europe.anglican.org/safeguarding/policy-and-guidance>

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darent_valley_hospital Reaching out to all you knitting, crochet and craft enthusiasts in aid of bereaved families/friends at Darent Valley Hospital. We are looking for donations of small knitted padded hearts in pairs that can be placed in the hand of the deceased and the other offered as a keepsake to the relatives/friends.

The little gesture offers a source of connection and comfort in times of grief and sadness, and the donations you make will enable staff to engage with the bereaved during this time.

We are also looking for kindly donations of wool, which can be dropped off at the Bereavement Office at Darent Valley Hospital and can be collected by anyone who wishes to knit the little hearts for us.

If you have any questions about our request, please contact the Bereavement Office on 01322 428168/8165 or email dgn-tr.bereavementservices@nhs.net.

Are You Crafty - Crochet, Knitting, Sewing?

This was sent to me by my daughter, who's a paediatric safeguarding nurse in the hospital. I thought what a lovely thing to do during the long dark winter nights. Keeps your hands busy and stops you from munching on those Christmas left over chocs!

These little soft padded bereavement hearts are so sweet and quick to make – lots of free patterns and tutorials on YouTube.

Here's my own effort so far - I've attached them in pairs



You can make them in any colours, pink blue white red purple green etc. but they must be in pairs and small enough to fit into any hand. If you have any questions there is an email address at the bottom of the Instagram post. [MCD/ed](#)

Some Scriptures of Hope for the New Year

Isaiah 43:19

See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland

Isaiah 40:30-31

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint

Psalms 98:1

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvellous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Romans 8:1

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Proverbs 23:18

There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off