
INGHAM

PARISH MAGAZINE

Final Edition

Art & Craft Bazaar

Saturday 6th 11am

Carols by Candlelight

Sunday 14th at 4pm

Crib Service

Wednesday 24th at 4pm

December 2025

Editorial

Dear Reader,

We sadly have to inform you that this is the last edition of the Ingham Parish Magazine. There are various reasons: the cost of printing, the church terminating their photocopier contract, fewer people advertising, and distribution problems. This has been something on the horizon for a number of months now. We have spent a lot of time and effort in trying different options to keep the magazine going, but at the end of the day we have to sadly say, it is time to end.

Myself and the team have worked hard since 2019 in putting this magazine together and distributing it each month. I have enjoyed finding interesting articles about the history of the village and the church to include in it. I have learned about farming from Alistair and his Farming Diary, and about gardening from Faith and her Nature Notes from Well Cottage.

Going forward you can keep updated on what is happening in the Village Hall from the **'What's On'** page on the village website:
www.inghamvillage.co.uk/whats-on/

If you wish to be kept up to date with events, you can sign up to the mailing list. Send an email to publicity@inghamvillage.co.uk and you will be added to the mailing list.

The notice boards at the Village Hall will be regularly updated with new events.

If you would like to see the magazine continue, then please get in touch. Maybe we can find a way forward. Email us at: magazine@inghamvillage.co.uk

We hope that you have a wonderful Christmas and that the New Year is the best one yet.

All the best from us,

Angela, Andreas, Darren, and Lesley

Past copies of the magazine are available for download from the Ingham Village website: www.inghamvillage.co.uk.

INGHAM VILLAGE HALL - Registered Charity No 303988

The Astronomy event hosted by Andreas on Saturday 15th was a great success, well attended and enjoyed by all, raising £213 after expenses. Following the failure of our gas heating, the new easy to use electric system is now installed. With a grant application we hope to extend this further to install solar panels and a battery to make the hall environmentally sustainable and fit for the future.

A call out to you all: Whether you use your Village Hall or never attended, we wonder whether any kind people out there would be willing to kindly donate to help with the upkeep of the Hall? Any amount would make a difference. The Hall is running at a loss and it would be a shame if it closes due to lack of funds. It is currently used for yoga, zumba, art groups, and wildlife talks. The Hall can be booked for many different events. If you are looking for a venue for parties, meetings, etc, it is a great space and has a fantastic field which can be used for sports and games. If you would like to donate, please contact our Treasurer Murray at treasurer@inghamvillage.co.uk or donate anonymously. Our bank details are: Ingham Village Hall, Sort code 20-99-21, Account No. 30515442.

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 6th December, 11am-4pm, Christmas Art & Craft Bazaar

Saturday 10th January, 11am to 1pm, New Year Jumble & Everything Must Go Sale

Regular hirers for December (Contact numbers in brackets)

Cliff Knight Art Class - every Wednesday 10am to 12 noon (Pre-booking, 01692 580212)

Ingham Art and Craft Club - Tuesdays from 2pm to 4pm (Anne 580814)

Sociable Seniors - Monday 15th December, 2pm to 4pm (Brenda 07879 888453)

Soundbath – Suspended during December and January. Restarting on Thursday 12th February, Bring yoga mat, pillow & blanket. £12, Pre-booking, (Shelley 07887 600021)

Yoga with Amber – Suspended during December. Restarting January. Every Tuesday 6pm to 7pm. Drop in or 6 week programme. Bring a yoga mat. (Amber 07443 427799)

Zumba with Tina - every Monday Zumba Gold at 6.30pm, Zumba Toning at 7.30pm (Tina 07341 360389)

All Hall Booking enquiries to Darren Rogers 01692 580202, email bookings@inghamvillage.co.uk Or book online: www.inghamvillage.co.uk

Ingham Village Hall Raffle on 6th December

The committee for Ingham Village Hall would like to invite all residents of Ingham to come along to the Christmas Art & Craft Bazaar on the 6th of December from 11am to 4pm.

We are raising funds for the replacement of the old heating system, which had been condemned. A new Air-to-Air heat pump has already been installed at a cost of £5,000.

We are holding a raffle on the day and would appreciate your support. Heating is essential to keep the hall running.

We have some great prizes including:

A Hamper

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A bird feeder from Stalham Hardware

A dog park session from Shannon at Happisburgh Dog park

A Gilet from SAMs the Crop Spraying Company

Speciality Tea from Steve's Tea stall

A candle from Steve's Candles

A big thank you to all the local business that are supporting us.

Please come along and support your local Village Hall

What is on at the Village Hall in 2026?

10th January



New Year Jumble & Everything Must Go Sale

11am to 1pm

With the final publication of the Parish Magazine this month, be sure to check the **Whats On** page at www.inghamvillage.co.uk, the Notice Board at the Village Hall or periodic Paper Distributions from us for our news and events updates.

Send an email to publicity@inghamvillage.co.uk and Chris will add you to a mailing list to keep you informed by email.

Farming Diary

As we race through Autumn it's a time to think back, how the farming year went, and also caring for the recently drilled crops of wheat, oilseeds and barley.

I've always considered myself very lucky to have had a lifetime of farming. It has its 'ups and downs' of course, but the pleasure in looking at a field of wheat just emerging on a sunny morning in October, or looking at a field of oilseeds in full flower with the larks singing overhead in late April, really takes some beating.

This sadly will be my last article for the time being as the magazine is sadly finishing with the December edition. I would like to thank Angela and all the team, for their sterling work in producing a lovely little village magazine every month, and I hope, like the Phoenix, it will arise again.

To finish with, I would like to wish everyone in Ingham a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

Alistair Wright

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Sunday, 14th December - 4pm

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Crib Service

Sunday, 24th December - 4pm

at
Holy Trinity, Ingham.

Please come along with your youngsters
or those that are young at heart.

Services at Holy Trinity Church

Sunday	7 th Dec	Holy Communion	Honing	11.00am
Sunday	14 th Dec	Holy Communion	Sutton	10.30am
Sunday	21 st Dec	Holy Communion	Ingham	11.30 am
Wednesday	24 th Dec	Holy Communion	Stalham	11.30am
Thursday	25 th Dec	Holy Communion	Smallburgh	10.00am
or		Christmas Day Worship	Sutton	10.30am
Sunday	28 th Dec	Holy Communion	Stalham	10.30am

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Sea Palling Independent Lifeboat

As you read this, our volunteer crew will be meeting for the final time in 2025 for a scheduled training session.



It's been a busy year for our volunteers — with numerous taskings from His Majesty's Coastguard, calls for assistance from our first responder partners, and of course the unforgettable memory of saving a swimmer's life. It's what we do, and we're proud to do it.

The Elves have been in touch to let us know that Santa will be visiting Sea Palling on Sunday 7th December — and he's asked if the crew might collect him from the North Pole. We're more than happy to oblige! He should arrive in Sea Palling between 10am and 11am. Do come along to say hello and grab a festive photo with Santa. He always looks forward to seeing everyone and sharing a bit of Christmas cheer.

Events like this help raise the vital funds that keep our lifeboat service running. Your support means the world to us — every donation, no matter the size, helps ensure we're ready to respond when needed most.

As we sign off for the year, we'd like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

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Elsewhere, Carson reveals to his wife that he suffers from a hereditary illness known as the palsy, which makes him question his role at Downton.

Lord Merton tells Isobel about his own illness but retains his desire to marry her.

However, his daughter-in-law Amelia keeps Isobel from seeing him.

Will the year end happily for those at Downton Abbey?



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The Night Sky in December

With a heavy heart I am sitting here, trying to find the right words to say goodbye to you. Since 2019 I have been writing this column nearly every month. I enjoyed every one of them, and it's not easy to let go. I hope I could spark some interest in astronomy in you over the years and that you actually went out a few times and had a wander around the stars yourself.

If you need actual star charts, the Moon phases, rising and setting times, or a list of upcoming events, I can recommend the website **in-the-sky.org**. I have been using it all the time for my charts and recommendations.

The highlight of this month is the Geminid Meteor Shower. It peaks on the 14th around 8pm. The shooting stars can appear anywhere in the sky, but they all seem to come from the direction of Gemini, the rectangular constellation up and to the left of Orion. I cross my fingers that we will have good conditions, so we can all enjoy the display.

I hope to see you at one of my astronomy talks in the Village Hall in the future. Unfortunately it is now “Adieu” and not “Au Revoir”.

With my best wishes, Andreas

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