November 12 for November 16

100+ Club Social: Only 1 week to go, Saturday, November 24. If you have not yet booked your place, and wish to attend, please contact Carolyn on 01767 640727, by Monday November 19 at the latest. This evening is to celebrate the success of our 100+ club, to thank our supporters, and let everyone know what we have planned for next year. We will provide a light buffet and also plan some entertainment. As before tickets are free to our members and a nominal £5 for non members. There will be a raffle, a win a bottle or two and of course our licensed bar. Don't forget our end of year special draw will take place at this event.

Christmas Party: There are only a few tickets left so please contact Carolyn 01767 640727 if you wish to come along. The date is Saturday, December 15. This will be a Disney themed fancy dress with a disco provided by Steve Wheatley. There will be a few sausage rolls and mince pies available from the bar, a raffle and of course our licensed bar. Tickets £6.

100+ Club Draw: The draw for November took place at the St John's Church coffee morning, Tuesday November 6. There are 5 monthly prizes for £20, £15, £10, £10, £5. Our winners this month were Mrs J Tolliday, Mr C Single, Ms V Gudgin, Mrs J Colton, Mrs D Eaton. December's draw will be held on Tuesday, December4, at the next Church coffee morning.

Bingo: Held Friday last. There were a few regulars missing but also some new faces giving us a record turnout of 34 players. Do please come along and support this activity. This provides the hall with a regular income which helps towards our high costs of insurance and the licence for the bar.

A raffle was held and our winners were Mrs P Green, Mrs B Barrance, Mrs M Todd, Mrs A Fry, Mr B Ford, Mr C Strange, Ms S McGarry.

Our next event will be held, Friday December 7, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This will be our Christmas event with mince pies and extra prizes. For further info contact Carolyn on 01767 640727.

Autumn Feast: Held Saturday last, this event saw seventy six people served a sumptuous five course meal. The village hall kitchen has never been so well occupied and was fairly full to bursting. The hard work and superb team work ensured that the evening ran very smoothly.

Well done to everyone who helped in whatever way, planning, shopping, cooking, preparing the room, serving drinks, entertaining, donating raffle prizes, waiting at table and last but not least - washing up! It was a terrific effort.

We have succeeded in raising the sum of £962.71 for the Friends of St John's Church. As you will know, all monies raised by the Friends of St John's Church are put towards the upkeep of the church building and churchyard and it is good that we have raised such a substantial sum - especially with work on the church heating project about to start.

Mother's Union: Members met on Monday last to prepare and fill 'Cheer-up' bags for hospitals and collect knitting to send to the M.U. project. They also filled boxes for the Christmas Child Appeal.

The next meeting will be held jointly with Cople on December 3, to spend an early Christmas afternoon by kind invitation of Mrs J Howard, Glebe House.

St Johns Church: The Revd. G Orpin was celebrant for Sung Communion on Sunday last and the Revd. K Brown preached the sermon. The reader was Mrs M Ebbage and the elements were taken up by Mr A George. Sidespersons were Mr and Mrs G Adams.

At the end of the service the congregation made their way to the War Memorial where they were joined by other parishioners for a short service of Remembrance which was led by the Revd. G Orpin.

Names of the fallen from the two world wars were read by Churchwarden Mr A George who also placed a wreath on behalf of all at St Johns Church. The Vice Chairman of the Parish Council, Mr P Dean, recited the Exhortation and the Chairman, Mr M Mease, placed a wreath on behalf of the Council. After final prayers the congregation returned to the Church for refreshments.

Church Services: St John the Evangelist, Holy Communion, 9am Song of Praise, 6pm