

## **St. Martin's, Tuddenham**

### **Report from the Parochial Church Council for Tuddenham Annual Parish Meeting 5th May 2026**

St.Martin's has maintained its steady presence in the village. We are lucky to have an excellent priest in Rev.Charlotte Cook who also has the help of a curate, Rev.Simon Ramacci. The regular pattern of services at 9.30am on a Sunday continues and we also have a half hour slot on a Thursday morning at 9.30am for readings, discussion and prayer. Outdoor services on the Church Hill for Remembrance and at Christmas time are very popular and the lit Christmas tree and crib on Church Hill have equally been enjoyed. The Church is open at the weekends between 10am and 4pm.

The church continues to be floodlit on a regular basis, with sponsorship helping offset the electricity costs. This also gives an opportunity for sharing of good news and past memories. The floodlit church is much admired by those driving through the village on dark evenings as well as those out and about on foot.

The fabric of the building and the churchyard are in generally good order. Andrew Offord continues to cut the grass and hedges although like everything else, his costs have increased. The ongoing financial support given by the Parish Council for this maintenance work continues to be very helpful and much appreciated.

The bell ringing group continues to flourish and there is now an additional practice on a Tuesday evening for the more advanced members.

The Electoral Roll was renewed last year and stands at 24 members.

Our normal fund-raising and social events were held last year and we are all so grateful for all the support we receive from the village. Particularly special are the stalls on Church Hill which provide an opportunity for contact and community spirit which are such a key part to life here in Tuddenham St.Martin.

Monica Pipe & Jim Bird  
*Churchwardens*