



# FoSM Update No.6

Spring 2016



## Prom has something for everyone

Chart-topping pop songs, classical favourites and a patriotic finale were all part of the programme for the Friends of St Mary's Church Fourth Woodbridge Prom Concert, which raised nearly £600 towards urgently needed repairs to the church's North Porch. The event included fine performances from Farlingaye School Chamber Choir (pictured), young soloists from local schools, and baritone Geoff Charrot, who led the Rule Britannia finale.

## Wine tasting packs 'em in



Our November wine-tasting attracted over 80 imbibers as Adnams Fine Wine Manager Rob Chase gave a colourful, amusing and anecdote-riddled introduction to six wines. Who would have guessed the trick about decanting your wine into a jug to improve quality or the delights of a £5.99

bottle of Romanian Paparuda! Watch this space for a return visit.

## DVDs anyone?



The Friends stall was kept busy at the Woodbridge Street Fayre in December. On offer was our popular DVD, John McCarthy's Woodbridge, now

reduced to £5.99, plus delightful toys in tins which sold like hot-cakes and are still on sale in the Church Shop. Worth a look if you missed them at the Fayre.

## Keep up the good work!

The Friends handed over two cheques to St Mary's in 2015, totalling £22,500, towards the North Porch repairs. This brings the total funds raised in four years since our launch to £47,500 – a great effort by our members and supporters. Keep up the good work!



## Can you help?

By the time you read this, we may have found our two new Committee members, not to mention being deluged with offers of help and ideas for events at the AGM! Regardless of that, if you have an idea or would like to get in involved with the Friends please drop us an email or call. [nick@nickcottam.com](mailto:nick@nickcottam.com) / 07834978139.

## Play it again, Matthew!

As part of a busy November programme we were very pleased to welcome back pianist Matthew Woodward for the second year running. This time Matthew



presented us with a rousing but complex World War I theme, including works by Debussy, Ireland, Ravel and Grainger.

## Dates for your diary

### 24 February: AGM

7.00 pm St Mary's Church House, including a talk by local historian Roy Tricker

26 May: Photography Private View, St Mary's Church

11 November: Adnams wine tasting

20 November: Fifth Woodbridge Prom

3-5 pm St Mary's Church