

Great Barton and Thurston Mothers' Union

We have 25 members including 4 indoor members.

This year was overshadowed by the loss of our leader Jill Rood. She had organised the whole of the programme and led us until October, when she became too ill to continue. She passed away in January. We all miss her very much.

We have continued to meet on the second Tuesday of each month alternating between The Rock and The Institute. During the winter months from November to March we met at 11.00 instead of 2.30 to save members from being out on the dark afternoons.

We enjoyed a variety of speakers including Daloni Peel and Rev'd Sharon Connell, who both shared some of their memories with us, and John Robinson from Age U.K. with an informative talk on Lasting Power of Attorney.

In July we went out for lunch at the Victoria and in September Rev'd Ben led us in Communion at St. Peter's.

We enjoyed crafting sessions with Sheila and Vonnie. In November we made Stars for our tree which was displayed at the Christmas Tree Festival at Gt. Barton and in December we made beautiful angels from old paperback books.

We donated £100 of vouchers to the Food Bank and £102 to overseas projects supported by the Mothers' Union.

We arranged the World Day of Prayer Service, held in Montana this year.

We continue to advertise our meetings in The Messenger and the Thurston Newsletter and would be pleased to welcome anyone interested in Joining us.

Gill Flower

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