

CHRISTMAS CARDS 2020

We have been producing Christmas cards by recycling used cards in aid of the historic English Church of St Thomas à Becket for over 30 years. The project was started in 1986/87 when we sold just 300 cards. On average over recent years, we have made and sold 5000 cards each year! The double cards, using motifs cut from used Christmas cards, are handmade throughout the year by a small team of volunteers, most of whom have worked on the project for many years. Motifs range from religious and nativity scenes, winter landscapes, robins, Christmas scenes, animals, humorous, and other festive themes such as wreaths, flowers candles, etc. The cards, complete with envelopes, are 148 x 110 mm and have a Christmas and New Year greeting in English and German. All cards are quality-controlled!

Usually we sell the cards at our annual Church Bazaar in November and through the various English-speaking clubs and societies and at other events. This year, because of the Corona restrictions, selling the cards is a huge challenge and we have looked for alternative ways of reaching potential customers.

For the first time, cards can be ordered using the attached **Order Form** or by telephoning **Judith Holst** on **040 880 0727**. The cards will also still be on sale – subject to Hamburg Corona restrictions – at some events including the **Church Mini-Market**, planned for **21 November**, and after the church service on Sundays from 22 November until 20 December between 12:00 –13:00 hours.

In this new digital world into which we have all suddenly been plunged, where physical contact and travel have been severely restricted, perhaps sending a handwritten card to someone is a gift that will be especially appreciated this year.

