



St Michael's craft group

have recently completed a labour of love.

A quilt had been carefully planned and started by a member of the group called Alison, late wife of Gary, several years ago. The part-made quilt was found by Gary who shared his find with another member of our group who brought it along to see if it could be finished. The craft group agreed to attempt to try and finish the quilt. We followed the patterns and pictures Alison had left with the materials to put together something we believed was in the spirit of her planned quilt. There followed many hours of dedication, love, care and learning. After a lot of hand stitching of hexagons we were able to send the resulting sheet to be professionally quilted. After which we handstitched on the edging and Veronica attached a dedication statement to the reverse. Alison's original hand stitching was so tiny and precise it was a challenge to maintain the standard she had set, but we did the best we could. The completed quilt is large enough to cover a king size bed and we hope it will give many years of pleasure to Gary and his family.

St Michael's craft group meets on alternate Monday mornings in the Windhill Churches Centre, behind St Michael's Church, from 10am to 12noon. Anybody is welcome to join us. We sometimes bring along our own current crafting hobby and sometimes one of the group shares a craft. In the past we have done sewing, knitting, crochet, paper crafts, macramé and book folding. We usually prepare items for sale at the annual St Michael's Church Holly Fair (all proceeds of which go to local, national and international charities).