

July 2013

Sunday 7th July

9.15am Holy Communion
11.00am Family Service

Trinity 6

Swilland
Otley

Sunday 14th July

9.15 am Holy Communion
11.00 am Family Service

Trinity 7

Clopton
Ashbocking

Sunday 21st July

9.15 am Holy Communion
11.00 am Family Service

Trinity 8

Otley
Swilland

Sunday 28th July

9.15 am Holy Communion
11.00 am Family Service
6.30 pm Evening Prayer

Trinity 9

Ashbocking
Clopton
Otley

Sunday 4th August

9.15am Holy Communion

Trinity 10

Swilland

Other Services in the Benefice

(Every Weds. at 10.30am Holy Communion at Culpho)

July 7th

Grundisburgh

8.00am Holy Communion BCP
11.00am Animal Service

Hasketon

9.30am Animal Service

Burgh

9.45am Holy Communion

Boulge

11.00am Holy Communion

July 14th

Grundisburgh

8.00am Holy Communion BCP
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Hasketon

9.30am Family Holy Communion

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Sunday Bible Readings

7th July : Trinity 6

Gal.6:7-16 Luke 10:1-11

14th July : Trinity 7

Col.1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

21st July : Trinity 8

Col.1:15-28 Luke 10:38-end

28th July : Trinity 9

Col.2:6-19 Luke 11:1-13

4th August : Trinity 10

Col.3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

Prayer for the month

Lord, make us to walk in your way:

where there is love and wisdom, there is neither fear nor ignorance:

where there is patience and humility, there is neither anger nor annoyance:

where there is poverty and joy, there is neither greed or avarice:

where there is peace and contemplation, there is neither care nor restlessness;

where there is the fear of God to guard the dwelling, there no enemy can enter:

where there is mercy and prudence, there is neither excess nor harshness;

this we know through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Francis of Assisi

HOUSE GROUPS: We have two benefice house groups, to which all are welcome. The daytime group meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 2.00pm at Penny Clark's house (Cherry Bank, Otley). The evening group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 8.00pm at Karin Upson's (16, Spring Park, Otley). New members are always welcome.

Changes to Service Pattern

During the year the PCCs have met and discussed the service pattern for our 8 churches and agreed to the following:

Sunday morning services will be at 9.30am and 11.00am across our 8 parishes

- **Otley** every 1st Sunday at 11am - Family service
2nd at 11.00am "Time with God" geared towards adults – with a variety of styles – incl BCP
3rd at 9.30am Holy Communion
4th at 6.30pm Evensong
- At **Ashbocking** there will be 1 service per month- usually on the 2nd Sunday at 11.00am- except in months where there is a major festival. This month we join with Ashbocking for our benefice service and on September 29th at 11.00am for Harvest Festival.
- **Clopton** 2nd 9.30am Holy communion 4th 11am Family service
- **Swiland** 1st 9.30am Holy Communion 3rd 11am Family service

Letter from Catherine Beaumont

Seize the sunny day!

We are told that we may not have a very good summer ahead of us. "Not again", I hear you groan. Perhaps we should call the good days, 'Sunny days' rather than 'a summer'. Let's get out into the sunshine as soon as it appears, drop the housework, paperwork and ticking off the to-do list (my particular problem) and enjoy every ounce of sunshine we can. There is nothing more beautiful, or as Shakespeare said, more temperate, than a summer's day.

Most people know that the word 'holiday' comes from 'Holy Days'. We live in a work-focused culture and it is good to take a break from that and enjoy ourselves outside, with people we love or on our own, and less busy. In the story of Creation, God rested on the seventh day which is called the Sabbath. The notion of Sabbath is the idea of setting regular time aside to rest rather than to do. If God needed the time to rest, how much more do we? In the story of Creation, God reflected on what he had done and 'saw that it was very good'. In these sunny days – or even in the dull ones - let's reflect back on the year and take the time to refresh ourselves spiritually. Most people (except those who take their mobiles and laptops to the beach) recognise the value of this in their holidays.

The summer is a traditional time to go on a pilgrimage - a journey to a special sacred place like a Christian shrine - partly because the weather

was expected to be better than at other times of year. If people could not afford a pilgrimage, they would go to a labyrinth, which can represent a spiritual journey. Unlike in a maze, there is only one way to go in a labyrinth. In walking it, you feel as if you are arriving at your destination, only to be taken away by the path until eventually you arrive at the still place at the centre after various meanders. There are labyrinths at several cathedrals and homes, including the one at Otley Hall, which people can enjoy on a Wednesday afternoon.

Travelling a long distance to hear live the songs that have inspired our souls is another kind of pilgrimage. In July and August, there are many music festivals, including our closest, Latitude, which is from 19 to 22 July, and I am sure many of our young people, and not so young, will be there.

So, the summer months are about slowing down, getting away from targets and work, discovering God, refreshing our souls spiritually through the natural world, each other, music and the arts. May there be many sunny days to inspire us!

Catherine Beaumont

FFY

At FFY (Otley Youth Club) we are honoured to be part of the lives of young people who have chosen to join our group. ALL young people aged 11-18 years are welcome even if they don't live in Otley. FFY continues to thrive, with 20-25 attending our regular sessions, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. FFY continues to run through the holidays when other youth clubs stop.

People have told me that they like to come to FFY because "it's not school, not bad rules"; "I can hang out with my friends"; "meet up with my old friends who go to different schools to me"; "it's a safe place"; "we get to choose what we wanna do". FFY always wants to meet new young people, so please come along and see what we get up to.

We are having a joint disco with Just 42 (Grundisburgh Youth club) on **Wednesday 24th July**. No FFY on **Wednesday 17th July**. We have our annual beach trip to Walberswick on **Saturday 17th August**. Families are more than welcome to join us for crabbing, ice-cream, swimming in the

sea, a BBQ and a beach fire. Please contact Michelle Boreham (890269) for any further information.

Benefice Diary of Events

July 3rd 10.15-11.30am SWAPSHOP in the Parish Room Grundisburgh – come and swap conversation, bits and pieces over a cup of tea/coffee

July 6th 10.30am-12noon Grundisburgh Parish Room coffee morning

July 6th Otley Fete at Otley village hall starting at 1pm, with the usual stalls. Games will follow at about 5.

July 11th Grundisburgh Church 2.30pm-3.15pm Tiddlywinks – toddler parent/carer group

July 15th Grundisburgh 6.30-7.00pm Prayer Group

July 20th Otleyfest at Otley village hall, starting at 5pm with food to buy, a bar and as many local bands as possible.

July 29th Grundisburgh 6.30-7.00pm Prayer group

Tools with a Mission Week - August 12th -19th

TWAM enables people to earn a living and to support themselves. It was founded 27 years ago and since then has provided this help by collecting and refurbishing tools and equipment no longer needed in the UK and sending them overseas. In 2008 over 346 separate projects benefited from 205 tonnes of aid shipped from TWAM's warehouse in Ipswich. The items donated range from sewing machines to scissors, bicycles to buttons, and lawnmowers to lace.

We are organising a collection for this excellent cause during the week August 12th-19th. You are welcome to bring any items to us at the address below during that week, or if you have any large items which need collecting from your premises we can arrange that also - just give us a ring.

To find out more about this worthwhile charity visit its website at www.twam.co.uk and, as you spring-clean, please remember that your trash is their treasure!

David & Tess Papworth, Lavender House, The Green, Otley. Tel. 890091

NEWS FROM THE PARISHES

CLOPTON

We were sorry to hear of the death of Gordon Baker on Thursday 6th June. Gordon, the youngest of three boys in a family of six, was born on 26th January 1928 at Corner Farm, Shop Road. After leaving school, he worked on his father's farm until it was sold. He then worked at Campsea Ashe Market for several years. He kept pigs and chickens and used to go around the local households collecting peelings etc. to turn into food for them. Gordon was a very keen gardener and kept himself and his sister well supplied with fruit and vegetables. For the past few years he suffered a lot of ill health, but did not lose his very quick sense of humour. He moved to Martlesham Heath with Sylvia in February this year. We shall all miss him.

The bell frame and bells are still in Bridport, but we hope that they will be returning soon. Thank you to Burgh church for letting the Pettistree ringers peel the bells for the wedding of Emily Schurr and Oliver Hauser at Clopton. We hope they heard them!

The next meeting of the Heritage Group will be on **Friday 5th July** at Thamaniya, Shop Road, starting at 7.30pm. Do come if you are interested in the history of Clopton. The July Coffee Morning will be on **Wednesday 17th July** and will be hosted by me. Everyone is welcome between 10am and noon in the Village Hall.

Doris Main

Church cleaning for July
Church flowers July

Doris Main
Beryl Birchmore

OTLEY

The Friendship Club is enjoying a full programme of summer events. At one meeting they each read their favourite poems (an interesting selection), they have had a coffee-morning and draw at Wendy Marshall's

home, and were invited by Michael Dann and Benedicta Chamberlain to join the Discord choir at Moat Barn. Here they sang a few songs with the choir, who also provided a wonderful tea, and a great time was had by all. Still to come are outings to Great Yarmouth and Bury St Edmunds, a visit to the Lings' farm and one to Otley Hall, and a barbecue. Now called the Otley and District Friendship Club, it has 26 members of whom probably 8 or 10 live outside the village, and they meet on two Thursday afternoons in the month. They would welcome more members and this may be of interest in our enlarged benefice. For more details, ring Wendy Marshall on 892588.

Otley Fete is fast approaching on Saturday 6th July starting at 1pm, with the usual stalls, displays and games until about 5. There will then be a short break, where those manning stalls may leave, followed by games (sack races, egg and spoon races etc.). 'OtleyFest' will be on Saturday 20th July starting at 5pm, with food to buy, a bar, and as many local bands as would like to take part. If you are a local band and are interested in taking part please email Nathan Cant on otleyfest@gmail.com or ring 07979 185270.

The next coffee-morning will take place at Southview, Chapel Road, the home of Geoff and Anne Robinson, on **Thurs. 11th July** from 10.00am.

Rose Rogerson

Christian Aid Collection

During Christian Aid Week nine volunteers called on almost every household in the village to collect envelopes. The money collected was added to that given at the Christian Aid service and at the Christian Aid lunch. A very worthwhile total of £764 was raised. Many thanks to the Otley Scouts, who delivered the envelopes, and to the loyal band of collectors and, of course, to everyone who gave so generously. Thank you all.

Nigel Crowley

Otley Village Show

The next show will be on Saturday **7th September 2013** and although this may seem a long way in the future, now is the time to start thinking about your entries! The show is open to all ages and you don't have to be an

Otley resident. Categories this year include 'a floral arrangement based on a children's story book or nursery rhyme; a bowl of chilli; a bottle of home-made liqueur and a humorous photo with a caption'. So start thinking and we look forward to your support! Brochures and entry forms are available from the Otley Village Stores.

Helen Quilliam

Village diary

- 4th July** Friendship club – visit to Lings' farm 2.30pm
6th July Otley fete
16th July "What a Knight" – Otley school
18th July Friendship club – cream tea at Newlands
20th July Otley Fest music festival

Church Flowers

Valerie Pitchers/Ruth Farnhill

Church cleaning

David and Tess Papworth

Brasses

David and Tess Papworth

Otley Church Sidesmen's Rota

- 7th July** 11.00am Family service Ruth Farnhill
21st July 9.15am Holy Communion Tess Papworth
28th July 6.30pm Evening Prayer Richard Treloar

Otley Hall Summer Quiet Days

Tuesday 30th July Revd. Gordon Melvin

'The Enneagram for beginners'. A workshop 10am-5pm. £25 per person

Tuesday 6th August Canon Christopher Chapman

'Lord, it is good for us to be here' – (Luke 9.33)

A day of deep silence exploring the transfiguration of Jesus.

Thursday 29th August Elizabeth Moore

'All seasons are His seasons'. Finding God in the different seasons of nature and the different stages of our lives. A day drawing on poetry, scripture, our experience and the beauty around us.

All days from 10am – 4pm and cost £20 unless otherwise stated.

Refreshments and lunch included.

Contact Karen 01473 890264 or email events@otleyhall.co.uk

Tina Jay

We would like to thank everyone who sent cards, plants, flowers and kind words for the recent sad loss of their daughter-in-law, Tina. These have all been very much appreciated. Andrew and Tina were married on a warm, sunny day in May 1998 by Bruce Wakeling in Otley Church. Her funeral on a warm, sunny day this June 5th in St Mary's Woodbridge was attended by 280 people. Donations in lieu of flowers went to St Elizabeth Hospice, Cancer UK and Great Ormond Street Hospital. Tina will be sorely missed by us all but especially by Andrew, Jake and Derry. People have been so kind. Thank you.

John and Helen Jay

SWILLAND

The concert on 26th May was most successful. The songs were varied and we all enjoyed them very much. I received several complimentary comments on the quality of the singing. We would like to thank Anthony Reidy and the Cappella Illuminati Choir for coming to entertain us. We raised £387.50 for our Organ Fund.

Our next fund raising event is the Open Garden at Berghersh Place by kind invitation of Tim and Wendy Parkes **on 3rd August**. This will be from 2.00 – 5.00p.m. The entrance fee will be £5 to include a cup of tea and a cake. This is a lovely garden and well worth a visit.

On **31st August** we are holding a barbecue at Old Mill House by kind invitation of Jane and Kneezoo Visram. This will start at 6.00pm, more information in the August magazine.

The Christian Aid collection in Swilland raised £101.16. Thank you to all who collected and contributed.

Ann Kent

Church Flowers

30th June – 7th July

17th – 21st July

28th July - 4th August

Ann Kent

Gill Reidy

Jackie Williams

Rainfall - May

Just over an inch of rain fell. The may bloom in the hedgerows was late this year, but there was an abundance of it when it did finally come out. The old saying "ne'er cast a clout 'til the may be out" has been particularly true this year - even on sunny days a cold north or north easterly wind persisted. This hasn't helped the crops and garden produce to catch up and, as the longest day passes, one wonders when it will. Barring a major catastrophe we can be sure of a bumper crop of fruit this year as the blossom has set really well - any of you who like sloe gin should stock up with gin ready for the autumn.

Russell Ling

SMILE LINES

The Talking Centipede

A man decided to get an unusual pet. So he went to the pet shop and after some discussion, finally bought a talking centipede, which came in a little white box. The man took the box home, put it carefully on the table, and decided he would start off by taking his new pet to church with him. So next morning he asked the centipede in the box, "Would you like to go to church with me today?" But there was no answer from his new pet. This bothered the man, but he waited a few minutes and then asked again, "How about going to church with me?" But again, there was no answer. So he waited a few minutes more, and decided to invite the centipede one last time. He put his face up against the centipede's house and shouted, "Hey, in there! Would you like to go to church with me – or not?"

This time, a little voice came out of the box: "I heard you the first time! I'm putting my shoes on!"

Miscellaneous observations on life...

- ~ Aim low. Reach your goals. Avoid disappointment.
- ~ All generalisations are false.
- ~ All's well that ends
- ~ Always make stupid moves, it confuses your opponent.
- ~ Always stay in with the outs.
- ~ Always try to be modest. And be VERY proud of it.
- ~ An unbreakable toy is useful for breaking other toys.

- ~ Any married man should forget his mistakes - there's no use in two people remembering the same thing.
- ~ Before you criticise someone, make sure you've walked a mile in their shoes. That way, you're a mile away AND you have their shoes!
- ~ Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting.
- ~ The purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble.
- ~ Marriage is a very good way to promote civilisation - if you get a good partner you will be happy, if you get a bad one you will become a philosopher.
- ~ Middle age – when you begin to exchange your emotions for symptoms.
- ~ Never go to a doctor whose office plants have died.

The Queen’s path of service to God and country

When, earlier this summer, the Queen celebrated the 60th Anniversary of her Coronation, the Archbishop reflected on the moment when the Queen had knelt before the altar at Westminster Abbey in silent prayer, before taking the throne.

“Her Majesty knelt at the beginning of a path of demanding devotion and utter self-sacrifice, a path she did not choose, yet to which she was called by God,” he said. The Queen’s original pledge of allegiance to God symbolised the model of liberty and authority which our country enjoys.

Liberty is only real when it exists under authority. Liberty under authority begins, as the Book of Common Prayer puts it, with our duty to God, "whose service is perfect freedom".

We live in a hierarchy of liberty under authority that ascends to God's limitless love. As we see in the life of Jesus, with God justice and mercy are perfectly joined, wisdom is unlimited, generosity is unstinting, and love pours out to the whole world in an overwhelming embrace that is offered universally and abundantly.

A nation that crowns its head of state with such a model of liberty under authority expresses commitment to the same glorious values for itself”.

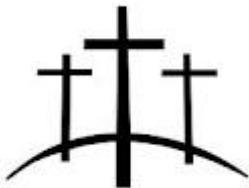


FREEDOM

Today, in this country, it is quite safe to talk about religion. If you want to go to church or Sunday School you can, and if you don't want to, you are not forced to go. Some people at school or work might poke fun at you for being a Christian but that is all. We can all read the Bible in our own language and are free to ask questions. But it hasn't always been like this.

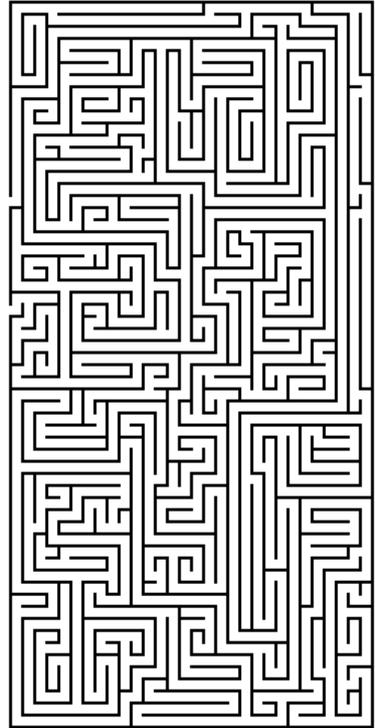
Over the centuries many men, women ... and children suffered for their beliefs. Christians were killed by other Christians who argued that their way was the right way and everyone else was wrong.

Jesus told us that we must love one another – isn't it good that today all Christian churches are working together for peace? And isn't it about time? Nearly two thousand years ago Jesus died for all of us.



A-MAZING

Can you find your way through this maze? Both the exit and entrance on the left hand side.



Adam and Eve are sitting around Eden when a leaf floats down from a tree. Eve points and says, excitedly: "Look Adam, an invisible man."



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