

The Grapevine

News for the parishes of the Carlford Benefice

October 2014

"The Peace of the Lord be always with you"

My son asked me to help him with his RS homework this morning. I was just back from church & had preached on the importance of forgiveness in our communities & the presence of God. The question he wanted help with was "Can you stop extremism?" It raised a number of supplementary questions for me – What is extremism? Does it always involve violence? How do we judge which ideologies have become extremist?

The world news has been very disturbing in recent months. The war in Syria has gone on for years & caused the displacement of hundreds of thousands who are now living in refugee camps. We have seen pictures of Palestinian towns being shelled. YouTube has carried horrific images & the situation in the Middle East feels unstable. The fighting in the Ukraine has reawakened fears of Russia's military might. Meanwhile conflicts rumble on in the CAR, Southern Sudan, Congo & Afghanistan.

This year is of course the 100th anniversary of the start of WW1. The suffering inflicted on all sides by the 4 years of attrition continues to shock us. Although we are blessed to live in a beautiful & secure part of the country, we are aware that the world is a violent place.

Week by week in our churches we pray for peace. We offer each other a greeting "The peace of the Lord be always with you", we pray for peace & justice in places of conflict & the services end with a blessing that "the peace of God which passes all understanding" be upon all present. For a number of us the practice of silent prayer, Christian meditation or mindfulness is about finding an inner peace based on stillness & the awareness of God's presence.

I have found the world news in the last few months very worrying & the RS question difficult to answer as well as tricky to interpret. Desmond Tutu who campaigned for justice during apartheid said

"Good is stronger than evil;
Love is stronger than hate;
Light is stronger than darkness;
Life is stronger than death.
Victory is ours, through him who loves us"

St Francis of Assisi is remembered on 4th October each year. He wrote a wonderful prayer which it is impossible to live out in our strength alone but asks God to help us & sparkles as a pattern for how to live peaceably.

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is error, the truth;
Where there is doubt, the faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Like Archbishop Tutu I remain optimistic that conflict, injustice & suspicion will be overcome. God's answer to some prayers lies within us so if we pray for peace we must each seek to be loving, forgiving & peaceful..

Jane Hall



Clare is running a PILGRIM course Monday evenings at **36 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh** and Friday mornings at **6 Alice Driver Road, Grundisburgh** continuing throughout October (Monday's) 7.30pm-9.00pm and (Friday's) 10.30am -12.00 noon respectively. PILGRIM is a new course published this year- designed to help us discover more of the Christian way of life- the course is designed to be both reflective and conversational. Each part of the course has 6 sessions – the 1st takes us back to basics- exploring what it means to be baptised- even if that happened to you as a baby years and years ago!

The only qualification needed for PILGRIM is to want to find out more about what it is to lead a Christian life.

Please book your place with Clare- [01473 735183](tel:01473735183). If you can offer to host- that would also be appreciated-



Services across the Carlford Benefice

October 5th Trinity 15

Is 5:1-7, Phil 3:4b-14, Matt 21:33-46

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Burgh	MS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Hasketon	JaneH
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	CS
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	JW
11.00am	Harvest Festival	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Harvest Festival & Parade Service	Otley	JamesH

October 12th Trinity 16

Is 25:1-9, Phil 4:1-9, Matt 22:1-14, Ps 23

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Clopton	CS
11.00am	Harvest Festival	Ashbocking	CB
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Boulge	Lay Led
11.00am	Par Eucharist	Grundisburgh	JW
11.00am	Harvest Festival	Hasketon	WG
11.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Otley	CS

October 19th Trinity 17

Is 45:1-7, 1 Thess 1:1-10, Matt 22:15-22, Ps 96:1-9

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Lay Led
9.30am	Holy Communion	Otley	JaneH
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	CS
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Grundisburgh	BH
11.00am	Family Service	Swilland	JaneW
6.30pm	Informal Worship	Grundisburgh	

October 26th Trinity 18 Bible Sunday Readings

Neh 8:1-4a, 8-12, Col 3:12-17, Matt 24:30-35

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	JW
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Burgh	RP
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Hasketon	FW
11.00am	Family Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	FW
11.00am	Family Service	Clopton	JaneH/JamesH
6.30pm	Evensong	Otley	JamesH

Key – CS – Clare Sanders, CB – Catherine Beaumont, WG – Wendy Gourlay, FW – Fred Woods, JW – John Waine, BH – Bill Herbert, MS – Mark Sanders, JaneH (Jane Hall), JamesH (James Hall), RP – (Richard Pepper) RF – (Robert Fletcher) JaneW (Jane Woods)

Other Services in October

October 8 th	Holy Communion BCP	Grundisburgh	9.30am
October 13 th	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am
October 21 st	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am



FANCY A COFFEE?



We have opportunities at

Grundisburgh – October Wednesday 1st at 10.15am-11.30am and October Saturday 4th 10.30am – 12noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Ashbocking – October Friday 3rd Jon & Linda Pollard of Hawthorns, Behind Ashley Grange, The Green, Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

Otley - October Thursday 9th at the home of, David and Tess Papworth of Lavender House, The Green, Otley 10.00am – 12 noon

Clopton – October Wednesday 15th at the Village Hall 10.00am – 12 noon

What's On across the Carlford Benefice

October:-

1st SWAPSHOP Grundisburgh Parish Rooms 10.15am – 11.30am

2nd COSA PCC at Swilland Equestrian Centre 7.30pm

3rd PILGRIM 10.30am – 12 noon **6 Alice Driver Rd, Grundisburgh** – See details elsewhere

3rd Ashbocking Coffee Morning 10.30am – 12 noon at the home of Jon & Linda Pollard of **Hawthorns, Behind Ashley Grange, The Green, Ashbocking**

4th Coffee Morning Grundisburgh Parish Rooms between 10.30am-12.00 noon

4th Harvest Messy Church, Otley 10.00am – 12 noon

4th Otley Harvest Festival Barn Dance and Supper Chilvers' Barn, Warren Farm, Otley 6.00pm See details elsewhere

6th Beyond Alpha Hasketon Village Hall 10.30am – 12 noon – See details elsewhere

6th Benefice Prayer Group 6.30pm **Burgh School Room**

6th PILGRIM 7.30pm – 9.00pm **36 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh** – See details elsewhere

9th Otley Coffee Morning at David and Tess Papworth of **Lavender House, The Green, Otley** 10.00am – 12 noon

9th TIDDLYWINKS in Grundisburgh Church 2.30pm

9th Hasketon Church 7.30pm Service of Celebration – See details elsewhere

10th 2nd Fridays at Hasketon Village Hall 7.15pm – See details elsewhere

10th PILGRIM 10.30am – 12 noon **6 Alice Driver Rd, Grundisburgh** – See details elsewhere

11th Wedding at Hasketon Freddie Cowper and Larissa Aitken 3.30pm

13th 2nd Monday Housegroup 7.30pm – See details elsewhere

13th PILGRIM 7.30pm – 9.00pm **36 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh** – See details elsewhere

14th 7.30pm - Post Confirmation Group (with Wendy) - meet **1, Pine Close, Grundisburgh**

15th Clopton Community Coffee Morning 10.00am-12.00 noon

17th PILGRIM 10.30am – 12 noon **6 Alice Driver Rd, Grundisburgh** – See details elsewhere

20th Beyond Alpha Hasketon Village Hall 10.30am – 12 noon – See details elsewhere

23rd Hasketon Community Lunch 12.15pm in the **Victory Hall**

23rd TIDDLYWINKS in Grundisburgh Church 2.30pm

27th Benefice Prayer Group 6.30pm **Burgh School Room**

31st Ladies Unlimited Grundisburgh 7.00pm - See details elsewhere

November

1st St Mary's Church, Grundisburgh 7.30pm Suffolk Constabulary Male Voice Choir

As a Ministry Team we share the responsibility for pastoral care.

First point of contact is:

Ashbocking –Catherine Beaumont- 01473 890264

Burgh, Boulge & Grundisburgh–Clare Sanders 01473 735183

Clopton, Otley & Swilland –Jane Hall 01473 785251

Hasketon –Wendy Gourlay 01728 685335

LADIES UNLIMITED



This new group is for all ladies from across the benefice who would be interested in enjoying a range of social activities eg a drink and a chat at someone's house, meals out, trips to the cinema/theatre etc.

It would be from 7pm to 9.30pm ish.

It would take place on the last Thursday of each month starting on 31st October, then on 28th November, possibly a week earlier in December to allow for a Christmas meal or something, 30th January 2015, 27th February, 27th March, 24th April and 29th May. Summer meetings would depend on holidays etc.

Contact details:

Vanessa Barker 01473 735818, mobile 07931707494

Sandra Green 01473 738779 mobile 07788863004

'FROM THE RECTOR'.....

One of the joys of ministry in the Carlford Benefice is being part of a large ministry team – lay people and ordained.

On October 9th we celebrate with Wendy as she is licensed as Assistant Priest in the Carlford Benefice, having completed her curacy (apprenticeship) with flying colours. The service will take place in Hasketon Church, with Bp John. Hasketon is the parish where Wendy has pastoral responsibility and it is the right place for us to gather and celebrate, as well as seek God's blessing on her future ministry among us.

The service is at 7.30pm and is preceded by a reception in the Victory Hall at 6.45pm. Do make this a night to remember and come and join us.

Clare Sanders

HARVEST FESTIVALS

Everyone is invited to celebrate harvest & God's goodness.

On **SAT 4th OCT** we are putting on our wellies for **MESSY CHURCH** which is for children of all ages from 10-12 beginning at the church & ending at Gull Farm, Ipswich Road. Do come along to learn, worship, walk & have fun.

In the evening we are running a **TRADITIONAL HARVEST SUPPER** in the barn at **Warren's Farm**. It is intended to be for everyone including young families. Starting at 6 there will be **activities & a bar**, an informal **Songs of Praise** will follow at 6.30 before we share a **hot 2 course supper**. Then there will be a **barn dance** with music from Inertia Reel. Do come along to create a great community occasion. **Tickets** available from the PO, Jane Hall (785251), Ruth Farnhill (890543) & Alyson Chilvers (737674) £10 for adults, £5 for under 16s & £25 for a family of 4.

On **SUN 5th OCT** there will be a traditional **HARVEST FESTIVAL** at Otley church at **11.00am**. It is **church parade** so we will be joined by Otley's scouting groups. **Harvest gifts** are welcome & as usual we will be collecting non-perishable food for the food bank run by Ipswich Families in Need so do bring contributions along

Hasketon Harvest Festival is on **Sunday 12th October** at **St Andrew's Church, Hasketon** at 11.00am.

All are welcome.



Calling musicians.... from across the Carlford Benefice

Instrumental musicians of all ages and abilities are warmly invited to join together to play for specific key events /services, about 6x a year. We have our second date to look forward to in autumn: 'Prisoners of Conscience' reflective service, Otley, early evening **November 30th**.

Please give me, Wendy, a ring / email if you are interested? The heart of the group is born from skilled musicians from Hasketon and Burgh (all ages) and we're really looking forward to welcoming new members from across the whole benefice

Since some instrumental music requires to be transposed, please, it is essential that I know in advance of our practices that 'you would like to play' and 'what instrument you will be playing'? **Practices Monday 10th November and Tuesday 25th November** in the warmth of Malcolm & Sarah Cavanagh's home, St Felix, Burgh, IP13 6SU

Revd. Wendy Gourlay 01728 685335 or rev.gourlay@gmail.com



FUNSTERS 5.30pm – 6.30pm

The Funsters will meet in Grundisburgh Parish Rooms on Wednesdays. Youth Group for young people in Years 4-6

Grundisburgh Harvest October 5th 11.00am

Wellington boots are forming a visual focus for our Harvest Celebrations. Please come and join us at our Harvest Festival in a pair of clean wellies.

Any old wellies gratefully received by Clare for a planting activity at Funsters on Oct 1st!



HASKETON COMMUNITY LUNCH

This takes place on the **4th Thursday** each month, 12.15pm at **Hasketon Victory Hall**.

For £6 you will enjoy a hot 2-course meal plus coffee and the opportunity to meet up with local residents from Hasketon and surrounding villages.

If you are interested in coming along, please book your place by the Monday before with Claire Harrington Tel **01394 380644**



Grundisburgh Parish Rooms



Swap Shop 1st October

10.15am – 11.30am

Over a drink of tea or coffee an opportunity to swap stories, news, toys, veg, fruit, flowers, books, recipes, cakes etc

Poetry and Reflection

in the Carlford Benefice

Would you like to widen your interest
in poetry & share ideas & reflections?
Monday lunchtimes, 1pm - 3pm

10th Nov, 24th Nov, 8th Dec

Themes of Advent-Christmas-Epiphany

Burgh School Room (level access and facilities)
£2.50 includes delicious Soup and roll
(gluten free, available)

Bring a poem (or two) if you wish



(Revs) Wendy Gourlay and Jane Hall
(01728 685335 01473 785251)

MESSY CHURCH SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER



For Children and their
families

10am - 12 noon
Otley Church

Please let Catherine or
Jane know that
you will be coming:
Catherine Beaumont
01473 890264
Jane Hall
01473 785251

2nd Fridays at Hasketon Victory Hall

You are very welcome to join us on the second Friday of
most months for Ploughman's Supper followed by a talk,
or some other entertainment. We start at 7.15pm and
entrance is £5 each. Please let **Katherine Smith -
01473 735579** know by the previous Wednesday
if you wish to come, but pay on the door.

10th October

Wildlife and Landscape photographer,

Bill Baston, will give us an illustrated talk

about the **Birds in East Anglia**



2nd Monday House Group

We shall meet on 13th October at 7.30pm
to plan the programme of our meetings.

New members would be most welcome, so come along.

Contact Robert Fletcher 01473 735 775

CAN YOU HELP?

If you are able to assist
with the soup making team
for any of the three Poetry
lunch occasions,
Please contact Chris Dennis
01473 738474
Thank you!

BURGH POP UP LIBRARY

We now have a pop-up library
in the old red telephone box
on Burgh's village green.
Donations of books for all
tastes and ages welcome.

Anyone can borrow books -
all we ask is that they are
returned so that others can
enjoy them.

SHOEBOX APPEAL

Share the Good News of Jesus
Christ this Christmas, by
making a special connection
with a needy child-give a
shoebox gift.

Leaflets in the back of
Grundisburgh Church, or for
more information phone
Jenny Taylor 738066

October 9th

**Service of Celebration
Hasketon Church 7.30pm**

Service of Celebration and
Licensing for the Ministry of
the Rev'd Wendy Gourlay with
Bishop John Waive.

HELP THE HEROES/BRITISH LEGION



Kate Watts from
Ashbocking is going to knit
(or crochet) some lapel
poppies to sell to raise
funds for Help the
Heroes/British Legion. She
needs red, green and black
wool and would be grateful
to hear from any other
knitters and anyone who
has a 3D poppy pattern.
These will be sold in our
churches so we can wear
them for Remembrance
Sunday. Please contact her
on 01473 890417 or
catherin.watts@btinternet.com

GRUNDISBURGH CONCERT

Music for all tastes

A Concert with

Suffolk Constabulary Male
Voice Choir

7.30pm Saturday
November 1st

St. Mary's Grundisburgh

In aid of the church
extension

'Beyond Alpha' - Autumn 2014 What does the Bible really say about . . . ?

The 7th run of this highly successful group, giving opportunity
to discuss aspects of Christian Faith at five meetings held at
Hasketon Village Hall from 10:30 - 12:00.

**Fortnightly sessions, on Mon October 6th & 20th; Nov 3rd &
17th; & Dec 1st.** The meetings will be facilitated by Revd Wendy
Gourlay. Tea and coffee will be available and a warm welcome to
all. £1 each session please, covers costs.

The 'Beyond Alpha Group' will consider . . .

Session 1 - October 6th A Biblical Belief - Day of Rest ['God's
Sabbath; The Jewish Sabbath; The Christian Sabbath'] Why
does God have need of a Sabbath? How did the Hebrew nation
celebrate the Sabbath? How did the early Christians observe
their Sabbath? What is the meaning of the Sabbath in 2014?
Preparation: Pls read Gen 2:2,3; Exo 20:8-11; Lev 23:2,3; Lk
4:16; Mk 2:27,28; Acts 17:2; Rev 1:10; Jn 20:19,26; Acts
20:7; 1Co 16:2; Heb 4:1,9-13.

Session 2 - October 20th A Biblical Location - Jerusalem
Where is it? When was it built? How large was it? What did it
look like? Who lived there? When did it become a centre of
Jewish worship? Why did people travel there for the Passover?
Where was the garden of Gethsemane? Where was Golgotha?
Where was Jesus buried? **Preparation:** Jdg 19:9-12; 1Ch 11:4-
9; 2Sa 5:4-5; 2Ki 24:18 - 25:12; 2Ch 36:23; Mt 2:1-3;
Luke 19:28-38; 23:26-49; 24:1-33; Acts 1:4-9; 8:1;
Rev 21:1-5

Session 3 - November 3rd A 'SMALL' book of the Bible - Ruth
Who wrote this book and when? What is the account recording?
Who was Ruth? Where did she come from? What does the
account mean for those of faith today? **Preparation:** Read The
book of Ruth; Mt 1:5-6; Gal 4: 4-7; Heb 2:11-18

Session 4 - November 17th A Biblical character - Peter Who
was Peter? What relatives did he have? Where did he come from
and live? Why did Jesus indicate Peter was special? What events
do we link with Peter? Where did he travel on his missionary
journeys? Did he visit the city of Rome? Was he the first Pope?
Preparation: Mt 8:14,15; Jn 1:40-44; Mt 14:29; Mt 16:13-
17:8; Jn 13:6-8; Mt 16:13-17:8; Acts 2:14-24; 4:1-16; 10:44-
48; 15:6-11; 12:1-11; 1Co 9:5; 1Pe 5:13

Session 5 - December 1st A Biblical event - The Birth of Jesus
When was Jesus born? Where was he born? What do we know
about his childhood? What relationship did he have with John
the Baptist? Were his teachings new or borrowed from
elsewhere? **Preparation:** Mk 1:1; Micah 5:2; Jn 8:58; Malachi
3:1-2; The Gospel accounts - see chart handout 'Life of Christ'
from NIV Study Bible. Jn 1:1; Acts 17:16-34.

Haven't been along yet, then why not join us this Autumn
2014?

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From the Editor The cut off date for material to be included is the 8th of the month and material should be sent to Clare
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