

The Grapevine

News for the parishes of the Carlford Benefice

March 2014

"Not war at any price but love at all costs" – War & Peace

I recently took the cremation of a 93 yr old aunt, Rosemary. She was an intelligent & witty woman, a gifted poet, & a loving mother, grandmother & friend. Rosemary brought up her 6 children on her own when there was still social stigma attached to divorce. She was shocked & deeply saddened when her husband deserted the young family but never expressed any animosity towards him, indeed they remained good friends.

Like so many, Rosemary had a faith in God & was a deeply spiritual person but didn't go to church regularly. Despite being (or perhaps because she was!) the daughter & daughter-in-law of clergymen she had fallen out of love with the Church & its liturgy. My cousin explained that "Mum" wouldn't want a "Churchy service or too much pious God stuff" but something that would celebrate her rich life & have meaning for those didn't "do" religion. Between us we created a service that was a tribute to Rosemary & seemed to have meaning for those who attended.

Rosemary's father was the charismatic & well-known vicar of St Martin in the Fields during World War 1, Dick Sheppard. He found himself unable to cope with the horrors of war when he served briefly as a padre in the trenches in 1914. He became the vicar of then fashionable & society church, St Martin in the Fields in central London. He through his impassioned ministry he transformed its mission to one of outreach to the marginalised & of pacifism. He opened the doors to all. The crypt was converted to offer shelter to soldiers returning from the front & supporters of conscientious objectors pacifists were invited to preach!

We live with paradoxes. St Martins has two private galleries – one for Buckingham Palace, (a very opulent home!) & the other for the Admiralty (hardly likely to sympathise with Pacifism). Dick Sheppard's response to war was to honour the servicemen & to support pacifism; he was responsible for creating the annual Festival of Remembrance & often said "Not war at any price but love at all costs". He was an inspiration to thousands in the 1920s & 30s & his vision of justice, peace, inclusiveness & work with the homeless continues today. St Martins in the Fields stands next to the South African High Commission & was one of the first churches to speak out against apartheid.

Nelson Mandela & Rosemary were born & died at much the same time but in very different circumstances. However they were shaped by the same historical events & believed in the value of forgiveness, hope, freedom, acceptance & friendship. Mandela said *"I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear."* This year, as we are being constantly reminded, marks the centenary of the start of the "war to end all wars". We revere peacemakers, those who take a brave step for justice. Can we, like Dick Sheppard, Gandhi, Gorbachev & Mandela, stand up for what we believe is right & embrace the "other" in an act of love? They have abt of Christ about them – He embraced the outsiders & calls us to love the unlovable & touch the untouchable. Who or what is the "other" that we embrace?

Jane Hall

Grundisburgh Parish Rooms



Swap Shop 5th March 10.30 – 11.30

Over a drink of tea or coffee

an opportunity to swap stories, news, toys, veg,
fruit, flowers, books, recipes, cakes etc

Woodbridge Deanery Lent Course 2014



St Felix Church, Rendlesham

Each Thursday in March at 7.30pm

Speaker: The Dean of St Edmundsbury
the Very Revd Dr Frances Ward

"The Wild Patience"

Exploring the "wild patience" of God,
Jesus Christ, the Church and humanity

"Could you offer a lift? Or Do you need a lift?"
Let your clergy know offers or requests & we will try to
ensure everyone gets a lift who needs a lift



Mothering Sunday

March 30th

Benefice Communion Service
at **Clopton** 9.30am with Bp John.

Worship for all
Families, children and young people
Join together in activities, music and prayers
at **Grundisburgh** 11.00am



Services across the Carlford Benefice

March 2nd Sunday before Lent

Ex24:12-end, 2 Pet 1:16-end, Mt 17:1-9, Ps 2/99

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Family Service	Hasketon	WG
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	JaneH
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	WG
11.00am	Family Service	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Family Service	Otley	CB/JaneH

March 9th Lent 1

Gen 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19, Mt 4:1-11 Ps 32

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Clopton	CS
9.30am	Par Euch	Hasketon	JW
11.00am	Celebrating Mothers & Caring	Ashbocking	CB
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Boulge	Layled
11.00am	Par Euch	Grundisburgh	MS
11.00am	Morning Praise	Otley	CS

March 16th Lent 2

Gen 12:1-4a, Rom 4:1-5:13-17, John 3:1-17 Ps 121

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	JW
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Layled
9.30am	Holy Communion	Otley	FW/JamesH
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	WG/JamesH
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Grundisburgh	BH
11.00am	Family Service	Swilland	CS

March 23rd Lent 3

Ex 17:1-7, Rom 5:1-11, John 4:5-42, Ps 95

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer (School Room)	Burgh	BH
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Hasketon	CS
11.00am	Family Service	Clopton	FW
11.00am	Family Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
6.30pm	Evensong	Otley	CS

March 30th Mothering Sunday

Ex 2:1-10, OE 1 Sam 1:20-end, 2 Cor 1:3-7 or Col 3:12-17, Lk 2:33-35 or Jn 19:25b-27

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Benefice Communion Service	Clopton	JW
11.00am	Parade/Youth/Family Service	Grundisburgh	CS

Key – CS – Clare Sanders, CB – Catherine Beaumont, WG – Wendy Gourlay, FW – Fred Woods, JW – John Waine, SB – Sheila Brechin, BH – Bill Herbert, MS – Mark Sanders, JaneH (Jane Hall), JamesH (James Hall),

Other Services in March

3rd	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am
5th	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	9.30am
5th	Holy Communion	Otley	9.30am
5th	Holy Communion	Culpho	10.30am
5th	Holy Communion	Hasketon	7.00pm
17th	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am

Save the date – Saturday 26th April – Red Court, Swilland

We are hosting a dog walk in order to raise funds for the church organ and bell tower. It will be approximately 5 miles along footpaths in Swilland & Otley. The cost will be £7 per person (under 10s £5) and includes a Ploughman's lunch & apple pie. To assist with catering, if you would like to take part or should you require any further information please contact Ann Rose (01473 785702). Walkers without dogs will be welcome.

What's On across the Carlford Benefice

March 1st German style coffee/tea afternoon – See details elsewhere

March 1st Coffee Morning at **Grundisburgh Parish Room** – See details elsewhere

March 2nd Swilland APCM 12.30pm at **1 Church Lane, Swilland**

March 3rd Poetry & Reflection over a cuppa – See details elsewhere

March 5th Ash Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion Grundisburgh & Otley

10.30am Holy Communion Culpho

7.00pm Holy Communion Hasketon

March 5th SWAPSHOP Grundisburgh Parish Room – See details elsewhere

March 6th Lent Course at **Rendlesham** – See details elsewhere

March 7th Coffee Morning at **Ashbocking** – See details elsewhere

March 7th 12 noon A service of thanksgiving for Perry

Crewdson at **Otley Church**

March 8th Marriage Prep session in **Grundisburgh Church** 10.00-12.00 noon.

March 9th Ashbocking APCM following on from the morning service

March 9th BIG BREW in Grundisburgh – See details elsewhere

March 10th 7.30pm "2nd Monday Housegroup" – Evangelical Churches Today – All welcome. For more information contact Robert Fletcher 01473 735 775

March 11th Musicians Mothering Sunday Practice **St Marys, Grundisburgh 7-8.15pm**

March 12th Soup Lunch at **Burgh Schoolroom** 11.30-1.30pm

March 12th Lunch Club at **Grundisburgh**

March 13th Coffee Morning at **Otley** – See details elsewhere

March 13th Toddlers at **Grundisburgh** – See details elsewhere

March 13th Lent Course at **Rendlesham** – See details elsewhere

March 15th Otley Quiz at the Village Hall – See details elsewhere

March 17th Poetry & Reflection over a cuppa – See details elsewhere

March 19th Coffee Morning **Clopton** – See details elsewhere

March 19th Carlford Network Group – See details elsewhere

March 20th Lent Course at **Rendlesham** – See details elsewhere

March 23rd Clopton APCM following on from the morning service in **Clopton Church**

March 25th Musicians Mothering Sunday Practice **St Mary's, Grundisburgh 7-8.15pm**

March 26th Lunch Club at **Grundisburgh**

March 27th Community Lunch Club at **Hasketon** – See details elsewhere

March 27th Toddlers at **Grundisburgh** – See details elsewhere

March 27th Deanery Lent Course at **Rendlesham** – See details elsewhere

March 29th Abp of Canterbury at **Bury St Edmunds – Carlford Benefice** represented by Karin Upson & Tessa Bailey

March 30th Mothering Sunday- Benefice Communion Service at **Clopton** 9.30am with Bp John

March 30th Worship for all at **Grundisburgh** at 11.00am

March 31st Poetry & Reflection over a cuppa – See details elsewhere



We have opportunities at

Grundisburgh – March Saturday 1st & Wednesday 5th at the Parish Rooms 10.30am-12 noon

Ashbocking – March Friday 7th – at the home of Linda & Jon Pollard, Hawthorns, Ashley Grange, Ashbocking 10.30am-11.30am

Otley – March Thursday 13th at the home of Karin Upson, 16 Spring Park, Otley. 10am – 12 noon

Clopton – March Wednesday 19th at the Village Hall 10am – 12 noon

As a Ministry Team we share the responsibility for pastoral care. First point of contact is:

Ashbocking –Catherine Beaumont- 01473 890264

Clopton, Otley & Swilland –Jane Hall 01473 785251

Burgh, Boulge & Grundisburgh–Clare Sanders 01473 735183

Hasketon –Wendy Gourlay 01728 685335

MESSAGE FROM CLARE AS RECTOR

The season of Annual Parish Church Meetings is upon us! This year we are having to start early, I have 12 meetings to attend, as the Bealings, Playford and Culpho come under my care while they are in interregnum.

APCMs give us a chance to look back and say thank you. We are richly blessed in the Carlford Benefice by our Churchwardens, Treasurers and PCC secretaries and I want to take this opportunity of saying thank you to them specifically in the official roles that they play- because they do far more, they all go the extra mile.

But we must look forward too- all of us are commissioned for ministry through our Baptism. All of us are given gifts by God to use in the service of the world. Please prayerfully consider the gifts God has given you and ask how might you offer and use these gifts in the service of God and his people?

I look forward to meeting with you as your parish APCM takes place.

Clare

Otley Quiz 15th March

The ever popular annual quiz evening will be held at Otley Village Hall

The format will be as in previous years, with supper, bar and a draw.

Teams will consist of up to 8 players.

The entry fee is £7.50 per adult to include a delicious supper, and the evening will begin at 7pm for a 7.30pm prompt start.

To book a place phone
Ruth Farnhill 01473 890543
Penny Clark 01473 890480



LENT LUNCH SOUP

Lent lunch soup in warm houses this year instead of the cold church! but you are all welcome. For directions & phone numbers ring Molly on 01394 383106. Help with transport can be arranged

March 5th Anne Nayler, Oak House,
Grundisburgh Road Hasketon

March 12th Shirley Daws, Allens Cross House,
Grundisburgh Road, Hasketon

March 19th Molly Smith Shrubbery Farm
Hasketon

March 26th Dot Warner Church cottage
Hasketon

Lunch is served from 12.15pm to 1.15pm approx
Donation to a charity

Informal Worship

Do You Enjoy a Good Sing and a Cuppa?
We meet on the **3rd Sunday**
of every month to sing



Contemporary worship songs accompanied
by a keyboard. Come and join us at **6.30pm**
in the **Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh**
on the 3rd **Sunday**.

Any questions call Hilary Hill 735336

2ND FRIDAYS AT HASKETON VICTORY HALL IN 2014

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.

14th March –Juliette Adams will tell us about
Growing up in the Deep South of the USA

St. Mary's Church

Sunday 9th

March

10.15 - 10.45

and 12.00

Before and After

Morning Service



A chance to share in a cuppa and raise vital funds to support. Traidcraft's life changing work with some of the world's poorest communities. Helping teach farmers and small businesses to be efficient and get a fair price for their goods.

FOODBANK

Please do not forget to support this wonderful cause. If you have any tins or packets, please leave at the back of your churches.



GERMAN STYLE

Coffee/tea and cake afternoon
in aid of the Leprosy Mission

1st of March 2pm - 4.30pm
at 16 Spring Park, Otley

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](tel:01394380644)

Grundisburgh St. Mary's



Coffee Morning

PARISH ROOM

10.30am

Saturday 1st March

Homemade Cakes

with Fairtrade ingredients

Fairtrade Goods

Chocolate Pasta

Handmade cards

Bamboo socks

Books Raffle

The Real
Easter Eggs



Carlford Network Group

Wednesday March 19th, 2.30pm

Grundisburgh Parish Room

Speaker: Juliet Adams
speaking about Ethiopia

Light refreshments & a Warm Welcome to all

'Calling Musicians.....'

Are you an instrumentalist who could augment the 'musicians group' for a special benefice service, celebrating Mothering Sunday, 30th March, at 11a.m.

in St Mary's Church, Grundisburgh?

Please contact Wendy for music,
if you'd like to play

(01728 685335 ,rev.gourlay@gmail.com).

**Group practices -Tuesday 11th & 25th March,
St Mary's, Grundisburgh, 7-8.15pm.**

FUNSTERS

The Funsters will meet in Grundisburgh Parish Rooms on Wednesdays (5.30-6.30pm) from **September 2013 to July 2014**

SUNDAY CLUB

For 4 plus yr olds in Grundisburgh Parish Rooms on **2nd and 4th Sundays** meet at 10.45am- join parents in church at 11.45am- for the end of the service Art- craft- stories- and more.

For Info- contact Jenny Sewell 01473 735329



'Poetry and Reflection'

in the Carlford Benefice

Do you enjoy poems?

Would you like to widen your interest in poetry & share ideas & reflections with others over a cup of coffee?

If so - here's a new initiative!

Do join us on Mondays 3rd, 17th & 31st March

10.30-noon to Burgh School Room

(level access and 'facilities')

Bring a poem (or two) with you if you wish."



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

TIDDLYWINKS

For Pre-School Children with parents/carers

2nd & 4th Thursday of every month in term time at

Grundisburgh Church

2.30-3.15pm.

Activities, stories, songs, drinks & refreshments

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 at revclaresanders@tiscali.co.uk & Amy at bakergirl174@gmail.com please.