

**The Grapevine
News for the parishes of
The Carlford Benefice
April 2016**

“Talking about my generation”

If you remember ‘my generation’ as a song lyric you were probably a teenager in the 1960s or possibly a dedicated follower of fashion in popular music. If you are a reader of the Bible you may have recognised the Old Testament interest in ancestry and in the idea that we exist in our own time. It was said of King David that he ‘*had served God’s purpose in his own generation*’ (Acts 13; 36). One of our responsibilities; the responsibility of every generation, is to pass on our hopes, our wisdom and our experience to our children and our children’s children. If you are a grandparent, or even a great grandparent, this may come easily to you. You will have learnt to answer the question, ‘what was it like in the old days?’

In each generation God looks for those who will faithfully represent His message of hope and the joy that comes to those who come close to God. Most of us are from humble origins while a few Christians were literally born to great privilege. Whatever your origins you have a responsibility to share what you believe with others.

Like many in my 60s generation I have taken little interest in royalty but last December, after lunch on Christmas day, I was impressed by the Queen’s Christmas message. I know the Queen is the supreme governor of the Church of England but she also talks with personal experience and hope. The clarity of her faith is a strong message to following generations. The Queen cannot have always enjoyed the speculation and public interest a gossip hungry media subjects her to but she has always responded to individuals with personal interest and grace. This month on April 21st the Queen is 90 years old. No we have not missed the celebrations. You have time to bake your cakes and plan the street party as the Queen and Prince Phillip officially celebrate the occasion on the weekend of 10th -12th June.

At her coronation the Queen told my parents and their generation that, ‘*I have been and remain – very grateful to you for your prayers and to God for His steadfast love. I have indeed seen His faithfulness.*’

In a Christmas broadcast fifty years later Queen Elizabeth told a new generation, ‘*I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad ... I draw strength from the message of hope in the Christian gospel.*’

Happy Birthday to Her Majesty and thank you for serving God’s purpose in our generation.

Bill Herbert

Services across the Carlford Benefice

April 3rd The Second Sunday of Easter

The reading from Acts must be used as either the first or second reading

Acts 5.27-32, Psalm 118.14-29 or Psalm 150, Revelation 1.4-8,

John 20.19-31

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion and Baptism of Harriet	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Family Service	Hasketon	WG
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	FW/JaneW
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	JamesH
11.00am	Family Service	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Family Service	Otley	FW/JaneW

April 10th The Third Sunday of Easter

The reading from Acts must be used as either the first or second reading

Acts 9.1-6 [7-20], Psalm 30, Revelation 5.11-14, John 21.1-19

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Clopton	JaneH
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Hasketon	JW
11.00am	Family Service and APCM	Ashbocking	CB
11.00am	Parish Eucharist	Grundisburgh	CS
6.30pm	Evensong	Boulge	CS

April 17th The Fourth Sunday of Easter

The readings from Acts must be used as either the first or second reading

Acts 9.36-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7.9-17, John 10.22-30

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	JW
9.30am	Family Holy Communion and APCM	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Lay Led
9.30am	Holy Communion	Otley	WG
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	JamesH
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Grundisburgh	BH
11.00am	Family Service and APCM	Swilland	CB

April 24th The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The reading from Acts must be used as either the first or second reading

Acts 11.1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21.1-6, John 13.31-35

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Burgh	RP
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Hasketon	CS
11.00am	Family Service and APCM	Clopton	JaneH
11.00am	Family Holy Communion and APCM	Grundisburgh	CS
6.30pm	Evening Worship and APCM	Otley	JaneH

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, IW – Ian Wilson, PI – Philip Ind, TBC – To be Confirmed

Other Services in April

April 4th	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am
April 6th	Holy Communion BCP	Grundisburgh	9.30am
April 18th	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am



FANCY A COFFEE?



We have opportunities, throughout April, at

Ashbocking –Friday 1st at the home of Catherine Beaumont of Otley Hall, Otley 10.30am – 12 noon

Clopton –Wednesday 20th at the Village Hall 10am – 12 noon

Grundisburgh – Saturday 2nd at 10.30am-12 noon and then Wednesday 6th 10.15am – 11.30am at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Hasketon – Tuesday 5th at Shrubbery Farm, Hasketon 10.00am – 12 noon

Otley – Thursday 28th at the home of Karin and Brian Upson of 16 Spring Park, Otley 10.00am-12 noon

Swilland – Saturday 2nd at 10.00am – 11.30am at the home of Gill and Anthony Reidy of 1 Church Lane, Swilland

What's On across the Carlford Benefice

1st 10.30am – 12 noon **Ashbocking Coffee Morning** at Otley Hall, Otley

2nd Swilland Coffee Morning at the home of Gill and Anthony Reidy of 1 Church Lane, Swilland 10.00am – 11.30am

2nd Grundisburgh Parish Room Coffee Morning 10.30am-12.00 noon

4th Ladies' Night 7.00pm at The Moon and Mushroom with buffet supper and guest speaker Kate Viscardi. Contact Gina Wilden on 01473 785577

4th Otley and District Gardening Club, 7.30pm Otley Village Hall

5th Craft and Coffee at Shrubbery Farm, Hasketon 10.00am - 12 noon.

6th "Going Deeper" Homegroup, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am.

6th Grundisburgh Parish Room **SWAPSHOP** 10.15am - 11.30am

6th Burgh Soup Lunch 12 noon – 1.30pm

8th 2nd Fridays Group 7.15pm Hasketon Victory Hall.

9th Grundisburgh Blessing of Marriage

10th Ashbocking APCM after 11.00am service in church

11th Beyond Alpha 10.30am – 12 noon meets in Grundisburgh Church – see details elsewhere

11th Knit and Stitch Burgh Schoolroom 10.30am-12.30pm. All welcome. Details 01473 735544

11th Benefice Prayer Group meets in Grundisburgh Upper Room at 5.00pm

11th Monday House Group, Grundisburgh 7.30pm

14th Grundisburgh Church **Tiddlywinks** for pre school children 2.30pm

16th Ashbocking and Swilland Away Day at Otley Hall 10.00am - 4.00pm

16th Burgh visiting bell ringers

17th Burgh APCM following 9.30am service

17th Boulge and Swilland APCMs following the 11.00am service

20th "Going Deeper" Homegroup, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am.

20th Clopton Coffee Morning 10.00am – 12.00 noon at The Village Hall.

21st Social Bridge Burgh Schoolroom 7.15pm All levels, tuition available 01473 735544

23rd Grundisburgh hosts the **Deanery Elders for an INSET morning**

23rd Wedding at Grundisburgh of Justin and Susan

23rd Sausage Supper and Beetle Drive Burgh Schoolroom 7.00pm

24th Grundisburgh APCM Service with elections to follow afterwards

24th Clopton APCM Service with elections to follow afterwards

24th Otley APCM Service 6.30pm with elections to follow afterwards

25th Beyond Alpha meets in Grundisburgh Church – see details elsewhere

25th Men's Group Meeting 6.30pm at The Moon and Mushroom. Details elsewhere.

25th 7.00pm Hasketon APCM and shared supper

28th Otley Coffee Morning at home of Karin and Brian Upson of 16 Spring Park, Otley

28th Hasketon Community Lunch 12.15pm

28th Grundisburgh Church **Tiddlywinks** for preschool children 2.30pm

The Chocolate FACTORY

Just42 Easter Holiday Club

For more info contact Just42
info@just42.org.uk or 01394 380992 **Just42**

LETTER FROM THE RECTOR.....

Last year we experimented in several of our churches at incorporating our APCM- into the body of our worship as part of a service. It seems right to give thanks to God as part of our worship, for all that has happened and for all who served the church and community in 2015 and to seek God's blessing on all that lies ahead; to pray for those to be elected to office and to reaffirm our commitment as the people of God to be his ministers-witnessing to the love of God through all that we do as individuals and as the Body of Christ.

The APCM also gives the opportunity for each of us to ask ourselves, what is God calling me to do within the life of the Church - it may be to serve as a Churchwarden or member of the PCC; to deliver magazines; to host one of our regular coffee mornings; to join one of our house groups; to help with church cleaning or perhaps to think about training as an Elder. There are so many opportunities, please think about what you could offer? The details of each of this year's APCMs are listed under What's On- please come and join in our services of thanksgiving to God for all that he gives us and for all we are able to offer back to him.

Clare Sanders

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2016

The Fair Trade coffee morning at the Parish Room in Grundisburgh on March 5th raised £100 for the church and £41.87 for Traidcraft. At the Big brew on March 6th donations were £71.69. And so from the generosity of those who came a donation of £113.56 has been sent to the Traidcraft Let it Grow Campaign. Thank you.

The 'Let It Grow' campaign is all about providing farmers and artisans with everything they need to escape from poverty and cultivate a better future. Without the right conditions, nothing grows. It's true for plants, but it's also true for people - they need opportunities, they need training, and they need to be treated fairly.

'Beyond Alpha' – Spring 2016 What do we really know about these Bible topics...?

Held at Grundisburgh Church (Coffee area), 10.30 – 12.00 on **Monday April 11th & 25th; May 9th & 23rd and June 6th**

The meetings will be facilitated by Revd Wendy Gourlay. Tea and coffee will be available and a warm welcome to all. A small charge of £1 per session covers costs.

We will consider - 'What do we really know about:

Session 1 – April 11th **Biblical Topic** – The NT SMALL book of James

Session 2 – April 25th **Biblical Topic** – ppt. Presentation 'The Bible's Journey – From Scrolls to Codex'

Session 3 – May 9th **Biblical Topic** – Jesus according to John

Session 4 – May 23rd **Biblical Topic** – ppt. Presentation 'Three Jewish Philosophies'

Session 5 - June 06th **Biblical Topic** – "Sell your possessions & give to the poor"

Haven't been along yet, why ever not? Join us this Spring 2016

Enquiries: Paul on: 01473 738474 or
paulwiffen222@btinternet.com

Monday House Group Grundisburgh

We meet next at 7.30pm
on

April 11th, May 9th and June 13th

Looking at the NOOMA series of short films that explore our world from a perspective of Jesus.

An invitation to search, question and join the discussion.

Contact Robert 01473 735 775



Traidcraft Stalls

In Grundisburgh Every Month

1st Saturday Coffee Morning 10.30 Parish Room

1st Sunday & 2nd Sunday in St. Mary's

at 12.00 after morning service

Chocolate – Cleaning materials – Grocery

Greetings Cards – Socks – Gifts

Catalogues in St. Mary's

Look for Special Offers

Come & Buy & Support the Farmers & Artisans

For info contact Pat Fletcher 01473 735 775

Thank you for your support.



SIGNPOST

This month we are signposting



As we look forward to Christian Aid Week - find out more about Christian Aid and pray for their work.

Visit www.Caweeek.org

Ask yourself what could I do this year in Christian Aid Week to help?

INTRODUCTION TO BRIDGE

Burgh Schoolroom, Burgh IP13 6QA

21st April

Thinking of learning to play Bridge but not sure whether to commit to formal classes? Join us on the third Thursday monthly at 7.15pm to get a basic introduction with other learners. Cost £2.

Refreshments provided. More information phone 735544 or 738877

SAUSAGE SUPPER and BEETLE DRIVE

Burgh Schoolroom, Burgh IP13 6QA



SATURDAY 23rd APRIL

7.00pm for 7.30pm

An evening of food and fun

Tickets in advance only £7.50

Nibbles, soft drinks free. BYO alcohol

Phone 738877 or 735544

WANTED

Hasketon are in need of approximately 6 spare Psalters with music. If your church has some – please would you be kind enough to contact Katherine Smith 01473 735579 or daisylsmith@yahoo.co.uk

MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting is on Monday 25th April 2016 at the Moon and Mushroom, Swilland starting at 6.30pm.

Please email or telephone Brian Williams for numbers wanting Supper.

Tel [01473 785726](tel:01473785726) or bfordent@btinternet.com

Any male member of the locality who reads this is welcome to come along and join us.

The speaker for this Men's Group meeting is none other than our founder chairman **David Papworth**. The title of his talk is "Pig Tales!"

David has passed an epoch professionally promulgating pig purchase, pig procreation, pig provision, pig preening, pig prudence, and pig put down.

Passing the apex of his profession, he poses, poised to possibly placidly, probably patiently and perhaps passionately, proclaim populous porky pies in the promise of a post-performance, pulled pork picnic or optional picked preference

SOUP LUNCH

Burgh Schoolroom,
Burgh IP13 6QA

WEDNESDAY 6th APRIL
12.00 noon – 1.30pm

Homemade soups & rustic
bread £3.50 Dessert £1.50
Tea / coffee free

Otley and District Gardening Club

7.30pm

Otley Village Hall

Monday 4th April – AGM followed
by David Papworth – Les Jardins
de la Vallee de la Loire.

All welcome

Admission £1.50 (members)

£4.00 (non members)

(Includes refreshments)

Annual Membership £10.00

2ND FRIDAYS

Hasketon Victory Hall

You are very welcome to join us for Ploughman's Supper 7.15pm £5 each.

Please let **Katherine Smith – 01473 735579** know if you wish to come

April 8th – A bit of a Double Act from Hattie Bennett and her Cello

LADIES NIGHT

A new "Ladies Only" group is starting at
The Moon and Mushroom

Monday April 4th at 7.00pm

There will be a buffet supper on offer and there will be a guest speaker, Kate Viscardi and her subject will be "Bakers dozen and country Miles" a history of measurements. £10.

If you would like to come, please contact Gina Wilden on 01473 785577

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.