

# The Grapevine



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March 2020

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	<b>1st &amp; 7th</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>22nd</b>	<b>12th &amp; 26th</b>	<b>29th</b>
<b>This Month:</b>	<b>Big Brew</b>				
					
	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	<b>Otley Gardening Club</b>		<b>Tiddlywinks</b>	

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## loverural

In last month's Grapevine, Archdeacon Sally Gaze introduced the new work she is leading across rural Suffolk. It is an exciting project that encourages all of us to think about new ways to share the riches that we have received so that others might have lives enriched by the love of God.

As I read Grapevine each month, I see lots of examples of this happening already and I know that the whole church community is committed to sharing God's love. In this edition we read of opportunities to get to know one another and build community through coffee mornings and groups for children and young people to help all people know that there is a nurturing place for them in their community.

My name is Charlotte Cook and I am leading the Otley rural team out of Otley College where we provide chaplaincy for the staff and students

and are looking to start new ways of exploring faith for the whole community. We will have regular prayer, one off events and support Lightwave groups in the local area.

I was brought up on a farm in Norfolk and am passionate about rural communities. It is so important to share the riches that we have so that we might enrich the lives of everyone in our communities. I know that life lived in community, sharing and serving is joyful and fulfilling and I have already experienced that from my time at Otley.

If you would like to be involved in any part of the work that is going on from Otley College, then please get in touch with me. My email address is: [Charlotte.cook@cofesuffolk.org](mailto:Charlotte.cook@cofesuffolk.org)

I hope that in whatever you are faced with this month you will know the support and encouragement of God through the life of the Carlford benefice churches.

I look forward to getting to know you over the coming months.



**Reverend Charlotte Cook**  
Rural Resource Church Leader and  
Co-leader of Lightwave Community

First Point of Contact:

**Ashbocking, Burgh, Boulge, Clopton,  
Grundisburgh, Hasketon, Otley and  
Swilland**

is Rev'd Clare Sanders 01473 735183

## SERVICES ACROSS THE CARLFORD BENEFICE

### MARCH 2020

#### Sunday March 1st 1st Sunday of Lent

*Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11*

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Fairtrade Service
Otley	9.30am	APCM Service
Boulge	11.00am	Holy Communion followed by APCM

#### Monday March 2nd

Hasketon 9.30am Holy Communion

#### Wednesday March 4th

Grundisburgh 9.00am Holy Communion followed by  
SWAPSHOP 10am in the Parish Room

#### Sunday March 8th 2nd Sunday of Lent

*Genesis 12:1-4a, Romans 4:1-5; 13-17, John 3:1-17*

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.45am	Discovery and Sunday Club
	11.00am	Parish Eucharist
Hasketon	9.30am	Parish Eucharist
Clopton	11.00am	Worship for All Ages
Ashbocking	11.00am	APCM Service

#### Thursday March 12th

Otley 9.30am Holy Communion followed by Coffee Morning at  
the home of Betty & Philip David of 15 Spring Park, Otley

#### Sunday March 15th 3rd Sunday of Lent

*Exodus 17:1-7, Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42*

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.45am	Discovery and Sunday Club
	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Hasketon	9.30am	APCM Service
Swilland	11.00am	APCM Service
Burgh	9.30am	Family Holy Communion
Culpho	3.00pm	Evensong

#### Wednesday March 18th

Culpho 9.30am Holy Communion

#### Sunday 22nd Mothering Sunday

*1 Samuel 16:1-13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9*

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Family Service
Hasketon	9.30am	Mothering Sunday Service
Clopton	9.30am	Holy Communion

#### Thursday March 26th

Hasketon 11.30am Holy Communion Victory Hall  
followed by Community Lunch

#### Sunday March 29th 5th Sunday of Lent

*Ezekiel 37:1-14, Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45*

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Discovery Church
Ashbocking	10.45am	Benefice Communion and Re-commissioning of Dot Warner, Molly Smith & Linda Pollard as Elders

## What's On across the Carlford Benefice – March

**1st APCM** at Otley 9.30am and Boulge 11.00am

**1st Big Brew Coffee Morning** from 10.15am followed by **Fairtrade Service** 11am Grundisburgh

**2nd 9.30am Hasketon Holy Communion**

**2nd Knit and Stitch** 10.00am meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking

**2nd Grundisburgh Bridge Club** 7.30pm meets at the Parish Rooms

**2nd Otley Gardening Club** 7.30pm Otley Village Hall

**3rd Baby Café** 9.00am – 10.30am Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**4th \*\* 9.00am Holy Communion \*\*** with Bp Mike – Grundisburgh Church – see details elsewhere

**4th SWAPSHOP** at 10.00am – 11.00am in the Parish Rooms

**4th "Going Deeper"** Homegroup, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

**4th Hobbies Group**, Clopton Village Hall 10.00am until 12 noon

**4th 7.00pm for 7.30pm Deanery Lent Lecture** at St Felix Rendlesham – see details elsewhere

**6th 10.30am Ashbocking Coffee Morning** at the home of Noreen and Ken Petherbridge of Feoffee Farm, The Green, Ashbocking. All Welcome

**7th Swilland Community Coffee Morning** 10.00am at the home of Gill Reidy of 1 Church Lane, Swilland

**7th Big Brew Coffee Morning** 10.30am Grundisburgh

**8th Grundisburgh Sunday Club and Discovery Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh

**8th APCM at Ashbocking** 11.00am

**9th Beyond Belief** 10.30am-12 noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**9th Otley House Group** 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark of Cherry Bank, Otley

**9th 6.30pm Ministry Team meet** in the Upper Room

**9th Grundisburgh Bridge Club** 7.30pm meets at the Parish Rooms

**11th 7.00pm for 7.30pm Deanery Lent Lecture** at St Felix Rendlesham – see details elsewhere

**12th 9.30am Otley Church Holy Communion** followed by 10.00-12.00noon – **Otley Coffee Morning** at the home of Betty and Philip David of 15 Spring Park, Otley

**12th 2.30pm Tiddlywinks** meet in The Upper Room, Grundisburgh opposite Olde Forge Stores in Grundisburgh

**14th 10.00am Grundisburgh** meeting with 2020 wedding couples

**14th 10.30am – 12 noon Burgh Schoolroom Coffee Morning**

**15th 9.30am Hasketon APCM and Swilland APCM** 11.00am

**15th Grundisburgh Sunday Club and Discovery Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh

**16th Grundisburgh Bridge Club** 7.30pm meets at the Parish Rooms

**16th Monday House Group** at the home of Malcolm and Sandra Green 7.30pm

**17th BBC** 10.30am Grundisburgh

**18th 9.30am Culpho Holy Communion**

**18th "Going Deeper" Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

**18th 10.00-12.00noon Clopton Coffee Morning** at the Village Hall

**18th 7.00pm for 7.30pm Deanery Lent Lecture** at St Felix Rendlesham – see details elsewhere

**23rd Knit and Stitch** 10.00am meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking

**23rd Beyond Belief** 10.30am-12 noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**23rd Otley House Group** 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark - Cherry Bank, Otley

**23rd Grundisburgh Bridge Club** 7.30pm meets at the Parish Rooms

**25th** 7.00pm for 7.30pm **Deanery Lent Lecture** at St Felix Rendlesham – details elsewhere

**26th** 11.30am **Holy Communion** at Hasketon Village Hall followed by 12.15pm Hasketon Community lunch

**26th Otley Community Lunch** at Otley White Hart 12.30pm £6 per head

**26th** 2.30pm **Tiddlywinks** meet in The Upper Room, Grundisburgh opposite Olde Forge Stores in Grundisburgh

**28th Otley Quiz Night** in the Village Hall. 7pm for a 7.30pm start

**29th Discovery Church** at Grundisburgh Church 11am – 12 noon

**30th Grundisburgh Bridge Club** 7.30pm meets at the Parish Rooms

Fairtrade Fortnight 2020 will run from  
Monday 24 February to Sunday 8 March

Celebrating one of the worlds  
wonder crops

## Coffee

80% of the worlds coffee is  
produced by  
25 million smallholder farmers

*Family Service*

*Grundisburgh*

*11am March 1<sup>st</sup>*

Join us early at 10.15am  
to enjoy a Big Brew cup  
[and after the service]

*Stay to learn more about*  
this life changing bean

*Donate to campaign against*  
unfair working conditions and  
explotation



3 things  
your money  
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Feed their  
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Keep their kids  
in school



Get healthcare  
when they  
are ill



## Mothering Sunday



March 22<sup>nd</sup>

9.30am Hasketon  
Mothering Sunday Service

11.00am Grundisburgh  
Parade Service,

# Beyond Belief

# Spring 2020

## What do we really know about these Bible topics ...? See things more clearly in 2020!

We are a small group which gives us the opportunity to discuss areas of Christian Faith at six meetings held at **GRUNDISBURGH PARISH ROOMS, 10.30-12.00**

Sessions are fortnightly on **Monday March 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>; April 6<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>; May 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**. People of faith, agnostics, and atheists, all are very welcome.

Tea or coffee and a piece of cake will be available and a warm welcome to all. A small charge of £1 per person, per session, covers costs.

We will consider – What do we really know about . . .

### Session 1 – March 9<sup>th</sup>

**Biblical Topic - ppt. Presentation 1:** 'Essenes' Who were the Essenes? Are they mentioned in the Bible? Is there a link to Jesus? How do their beliefs solve some Gospel contradictions?

**References:** The Dead Sea Scrolls; Flavius Josephus

### Session 2 – March 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Biblical Topic - Discussion 1:** 'Life, Death, and then what?' - Does the Bible teach there is Life after Death? What does Resurrection mean? Do we go to heaven at death?

**References:** John 5:25-29; John 14:2-4; Romans 8:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:53-54; 2 Corinthians 5:1-5; Philippians 3:20-21

**Why not come and try our group? Join us this Spring 2020**  
**Enquiries: Paul on: 01473 738474 or [paulwiffen222@btinternet.com](mailto:paulwiffen222@btinternet.com)**

## WOODBIDGE DEANERY LENT LECTURES



**March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>**  
at

**St Felix Rendlesham**

Refreshments available from 7.00pm

Given by Dean Joe - *the Dean of St Edmundsbury Cathedral*

"Gifted to us not LENT" an exploration of how our faith relates to the environment

Lifts available so please let us know if you need a lift

## BURGH COFFEE MORNING Burgh Schoolroom



10.30am to 12 noon

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

Tea/coffee


Home made cakes, sausage rolls and scones

Super raffle

In aid of Burgh Church Fabric Fund

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## Grundisburgh Coffee Morning

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*Books, Raffle, Cakes,  
Fairtrade & Ethical Goods*

**PARISH ROOM**

10.30am Saturday

7<sup>th</sup> March



3 things  
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January 26th	Messy Christingle	Hasketon VH
February 23rd	Messy Living Lent	Clopton VH
June 28th	Messy Creation	Hasketon VH
September 27th	Messy Beginnings	Clopton VH
October 25th	Messy Light	Otley VH
December 13th	Messy Christmas Party	Hasketon VH

Messy Church is on Sundays 3pm to 4:30pm in the Village Hall and designed for adults and children together. We will have a story, do some singing, have a variety of activities, enjoy some food and of course have lots of fun. Please keep an eye on the website for any changes.

On March 29th and Good Friday, 10th April, we'll have a new all age interactive church service-Discovery Church. Details to follow.

For details of any of these events, or to grab a space (so we can arrange the food), please contact us:

[Mark@carlfordchurches.org](mailto:Mark@carlfordchurches.org)

[CarlfordChurches.org/messychurch](http://CarlfordChurches.org/messychurch)



## Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March



Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup> is an **IMPORTANT** day for the whole benefice

It is the day of interviews for a new Rector- all the benefice- everyone is invited to a 9.00am Communion Service @ Grundisburgh- to begin the day of interviewing with prayer.

If there are no candidates – there will still be a gathering at 9.00am for Communion and prayer and perhaps it is even more important that we all gather that day, than if we have candidates! Please come on March 4<sup>th</sup>- and please hold the benefice and its future in your prayers.

## BBC Bible Book Club

A small group - those of faith, agnostics, & atheists -interested in the historical context of Christian thought.

We meet in Grundisburgh on just four Tuesday mornings each year.

Our next meeting is on **March 17th 2020** at 10.30am

Discussing: 'Sacred Pathways'  
by Gary Thomas

Why not get a copy and enjoy the read, we would be very pleased to have you come along and offer your views.

[paulwiffen222@btinternet.com](mailto:paulwiffen222@btinternet.com) or  
01473738474

Please let us know if you will be joining us.

# Children's Sunday Clubs

@ St Mary's Church Grundisburgh

## Sunday Club

An active session with stories and crafts of about 45 mins starting at 10.45am in the Parish rooms for ages 2 to 7. Contact Jenny: jonje@talktalk.net

Second and third Sundays of the month



## Discovery Club



On the same Sundays, for children from 7 upwards. Discovery club gives us space to reach out and explore. Contact Sandra: Sandra@thecresswells.me.uk



For all ages. On the fourth Sunday, 3-4.30pm in village halls. Contact Mark@cresswell.onl

For details please see our newsletter, *Grapevine* on our website: [CarlfordChurches.org](http://CarlfordChurches.org)



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## Otley & District Gardening Club



We meet at 7:30 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at Otley Village Hall, Chapel Road, Otley

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

“Seasonal Containers” with Andrew Babicz



All welcome - Join up or just come along.

Admission £1.50 (members) £4 (non-members)  
Annual membership £10

To find out more, contact either  
Phil Pollard, Chairman (07880627984)  
Jill Hempstead, Secretary (07967012636)

# Carlford Coffee Mornings



Good days start with coffee and you....



## **Ashbocking from 10.30am**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at the home of Noreen and Ken Petherbridge of Feoffee Farm, The Green, Ashbocking

## **Burgh from 10.30am**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March at Burgh Church Schoolroom

## **Clopton from 10am**

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at the village hall

## **Grundisburgh 10.30am**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March SWAPSHOP, Grundisburgh and then Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March both in the Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

## **Otley 10.00am**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at the home of Betty & Philip David of 15 Spring Park, Otley

## **Swilland from 10am**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March at the home of Gill Reidy of 4 Church Lane, Swilland



# Discovery Church

**Grundisburgh Church**

**Sunday 29th March, 11am-12 noon**

**All welcome.**

What is it? A time of being together? We will read the bible, sing songs, pray, make things, move around, oh and eat cake (from the start)!

Come and have fun! Come and Discover a bit more about God. Come and join us we would love to see you!

Any Questions? Contact Clare or Mark.



**From The Editor** The cutoff date for material to be included in the magazine is the 8<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month and material should be sent to Clare at [revclaresanders@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:revclaresanders@tiscali.co.uk) and Amy at [bakergirl174@gmail.com](mailto:bakergirl174@gmail.com) please.