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"Forgiveness"



Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Thirty years ago, my name came up and I gained the opportunity to grow my own vegetables in the allotments left between two twenty story blocks in Liverpool. With two small children in tow I cut back the grass and discovered many treasures. Kind men I quickly got to know gave me dahlia tubers, helping me with rhubarb and advice. More than sufficient of both advice and rhubarb. My style, leaving areas for the bugs and beasties that small children enjoy, was not always to their taste.

Many of my neighbours had worked on the buses in Liverpool and some of their feuds, jealousies and rivalries were going strong years after these men had retired. Few spoke to one smartly dressed old boy promoted to ticket inspector. There were friendships that endured but bad words in the canteen one wet Thursday evening many years before could not be forgiven.

Forgiveness is one of the loveliest ideas and being forgiven one of the loveliest experiences, connected with being human.

We are all human so we all fail – we let people down, offend them, hurt them and look after ourselves. We behave in ways that make us ashamed.

On those Liverpool allotments I learnt how difficult forgiveness can be. Kind men said, 'I'll forgive him, but I'll never forget what he did.' Sadly, that is not forgiveness at all though there is some truth in the observation because forgiveness without repentance is half the equation. It is easier to forgive when the other person gives a real apology for the trespass or offence committed.

It can be argued that unconditional forgiveness can come close to condoning the offence and forgiveness given lightly means little.

Talking with the old boys in Liverpool taught me how old quarrels, resentment, jealousy and things said in anger hurt many years later. Reconciliation was and remains difficult for all of us but Jesus got it right, He got it so right when He taught us to forgive others as we have been forgiven. As we are forgiven so we forgive.

Forgiveness does go hand in hand with repentance, gratitude, grace and love. The word for forgiveness in the New Testament emphasizes forgiveness as a gift. *'Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving of one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you'* (Ephesians 4.32).

I cannot say that we all made friends on those Liverpool allotments but new people, some like me with children in tow, changed those older men who had become locked in old feuds. There was more laughter, sharing, kindness and day to day enjoyment among the hedgehogs, the dahlias and the rhubarb.

Bill Herbert

Services across the Carlford Benefice

1st Sunday October 7th - 19th Sunday after Trinity

Job 1.1, 2.1-10, Psalm 26, Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.5-12, Mark 10.2-16

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Harvest Festival
Otley	9.30am	Harvest Festival
Boulge	11.00am	Extended Holy Communion

2nd Sunday October 14th - 20th Sunday after Trinity

Job 23.1-9, 16-end, Psalm 22.1-15, Hebrews 4.12-end, Mark 10.17-31

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Parish Eucharist
Hasketon	9.30am	Holy Communion
Ashbocking	11.00am	Harvest Festival
Clopton	11.00am	Morning Prayer

3RD Sunday October 21st – 21st Sunday after Trinity

JOB 38.1-7 [34-END], PSALM 104.1-10, 26, 35C, HEBREWS 5.1-10, MARK 10.35-45

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Burgh	9.30am	Family Holy Communion
Hasketon	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Swilland	11.00am	Holy Communion
Clopton	3.00pm	Messy Church

4TH Sunday October 28th – Last after Trinity

Job 42.1-6, 10-end, psalm 34.1-8,19-end [or 34.1-8], Hebrews 7.23-end, mark 10.46-end

Grundisburgh	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Family Communion
Clopton	9.30am	Holy Communion

Midweek Communion Services

8th	9.30am	Hasketon
10th	9.30am	Grundisburgh
11th	9.30am	Otley – followed by the Coffee Morning at Lavender House
25th	11.30am	Hasketon – followed by the Community Lunch in the Village Hall

What's On across the Carlford Benefice – October

1st PILGRIM group meets 54 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh at 2.00pm and again at 7.00pm in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh

1st 7.30pm Otley and District Gardening Club – "Autumn Bulbs" with Matthew Long

2nd Baby Café Grundisburgh Parish Room 9.00am – 10.30am

3rd Hobbies Group, Clopton Village Hall 10.00am until 12 noon

3rd "Going Deeper" Homegroup, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

3rd SWAPSHOP 10.15am-11.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh

3rd Grundisburgh Parish Room 3.00pm CRIBFEST Community Art Project

5th 10.30am Ashbocking Coffee Morning at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking

6th Swilland Coffee morning at the home of Gill Reidy of 1 Church Lane, Swilland from 10.00am

6th Grundisburgh Coffee Morning 10.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh

8th Beyond Belief 10.30am – 12 noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms – details elsewhere

8th Otley House Group 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark of Cherry Bank, Otley

8th PILGRIM group meets 54 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh at 2.00pm and again at 7.00pm in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh

8th Men's Group at The Moon and Mushroom, Swilland 6.30pm

10th CRIBFEST Community Art Project 3.00pm Grundisburgh Parish Room

10th Ashbocking House Group – PILGRIM 7.30pm meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking

11th Midweek Communion at 9.30am followed by **Otley Coffee Morning** at the home of David and Tess Papworth of Lavender House 10.00am

11th Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks 2.30pm

13th Diocesan Synod meets at Debenham High School

14th Grundisburgh Sunday Club 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh

15th PILGRIM group meets 54 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh at 2.00pm and again at 7.00pm in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh

15th Monday House Group at the home of Malcolm and Sandra Green at 7.30pm

16th Ministry Team meeting 6.00pm in the Upper Room

17th 10.00am-12.00noon Clopton Coffee Morning in the Village Hall

17th "Going Deeper" Homegroup, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

18th Growing in God Workshops in St Michael's Martlesham 7.00pm

21st 3.00pm Messy Church in Clopton VH – details and flier from Mark

22nd PILGRIM – afternoon group last session

22nd Beyond Belief 10.30am – 12 noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms – details elsewhere

22nd Otley House Group 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark of Cherry Bank, Otley

24th Ashbocking House Group – PILGRIM 7.30pm meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking

25th Midweek Communion at 11.30am followed by the **Hasketon Community Lunch** at 12.15 noon

25th Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks 2.30pm

28th Grundisburgh Sunday Club 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh

Harvest Festivals across the Benefice



7th 9.30am Harvest Festival and Parade Service, Otley

11.00am Harvest Festival and Parade, Service Grundisburgh

14th 11.00am Harvest Festival, Ashbocking

Gifts of non-perishable foods are welcomed at all our Harvest services and will be shared with families in need.

Carlford Groups

Social Groups

Baby Café – 2nd October 9am Grundisburgh

Hobbies Group – 3rd October 10am, Clopton

Swapshop – 3rd October 10.15am, Grundisburgh Church

Tiddlywinks – 11th & 25th October 2.30pm, Grundisburgh

Men's Group – 8th October 6.30pm, Swilland

Prayer and Study Groups

Ashbocking House Group – PILGRIM 10th & 24th October 7.30pm, Ashbocking

Going Deeper – 3rd & 17th October 10am Ashbocking

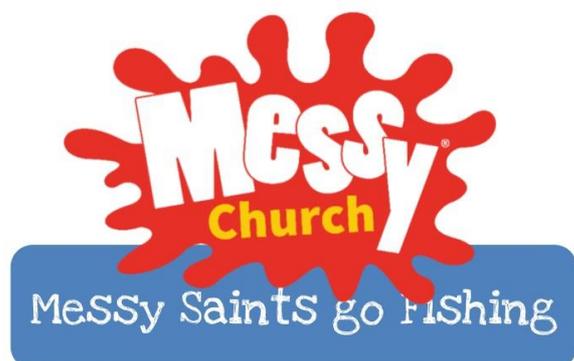
Grundisburgh Sunday Club – 14th & 28th October 10.45am, Grundisburgh

Monday House Group – 15th October 7.30pm, Grundisburgh

Otley House Group – 8th & 22nd October 1.45pm, Otley

Beyond Belief – 8th & 22nd October 10.30am, Grundisburgh

Pilgrim 1st October - 2pm & 7pm, Grundisburgh
8th October - 2pm & 7pm, Grundisburgh
10th October - 7.30pm, Ashbocking
15th October - 2pm & 7pm, Grundisburgh
22nd October - 2pm, Grundisburgh
24th October - 7.30pm, Ashbocking



A fun event for adults and children together, involving, singing, stories and sharing food based on the stories of the disciples.

Clopton Village Hall

Sunday 21st October, 3pm to 4.30pm

All Welcome.

If you'd like to come, please let us know names of adults and children so we can get the catering right.
Email: mark@cresswell.onl
£1 per family, suggested donation.





Christmas with a difference!

Can you make some room for an international student to learn what true British Festive hospitality can mean? Should you like to add that international element to your Christmas, learning another countries traditions and enjoying the connection and friendship that such sharing brings?

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Armistice Day

November 11th 2018

St. Mary's, Grundisburgh

Your help please,
to make our display of Red Poppies.

We shall need lots of poppies
made from a material of your choice
and about 3½ inches across.

Can be left in the box at the back of the
church or at 24 Post Mill Gardens

For more information please contact
Pat Fletcher 01473 735 775



Messy Church plans for the rest of 2018

September 16 th	MeSSy Welcome	Otley VH
October 21 st	Messy All Saints	Clopton VH
November 18 th	MeSSy Light	Hasketon VH
December 15 th	MeSSy Christmas Holiday Club	Grundisburgh VH

Normally events are Sundays 3pm to 4:30pm in the Village Hall and designed for adults and children together.

The exception is Christmas Holiday Club which is 10am to 3pm for School age children without their parents. For under fives (with parents) there will be a 1pm to 3pm option. We will have a story, do some singing, have a variety of activities, enjoy some food and of course have lots of fun.

For details of any of these events, or to grab a space (we do need to know in advance to arrange the food), please contact us: mark@cresswell.onl



pilgrim

A COURSE FOR THE CHRISTIAN JOURNEY

Pilgrim is a place where people can explore the Christian faith together and see how it can be lived out each day.

It approaches issues of faith not through persuasion, but participation in a pattern of contemplation and discussion with a group of fellow travellers.

Come and join a PILGRIM group

Mondays at 2.00pm / 7.00pm in Grundisburgh

2nd and 4th Wednesdays 7.30pm in Ashbocking

More information can be found

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Where?.....When?



- At** Coffee Morning in Parish Room
1st Saturday of the month 10.30am
- In** St. Mary's 1st Sunday & 2nd Sunday
at 12.00 after morning service
- At** Cafe 66 in Village Hall
on Wednesday mornings

Catalogues from the stall and in St. Mary's church

Orders and information from Pat Fletcher

01473 735 775 p.j.fletcher45@gmail.com

CRIBFEST

Community Art project

October 3rd and 10th

Grundisburgh Parish Room 3.00pm

Open to all – creating a focal point for CRIBFEST- using old Christmas cards – to make a 10ft star!



St. Mary's, Grundisburgh Flower Festival Nursery Rhymes and their Origin

Thank you for all your donations.

Money, which paid for a lot of flowers, Flowers and cakes. Time serving refreshments and stewarding, many hours on research and printing. Raising and lowering a tent.

To all the flower arrangers for so much thought, time and beautiful arrangements.

Together we are able to give the Blossom Appeal £710 and the Church £485

Thank you, Pat Fletcher.



The Colford Churches
Ashbocking, Stouge, Bugh, Clifton Grundisburgh, Hasketon, Otley, Swilford.
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**Moon & Mushroom
Swilland**



Men's Group

New Dates for 2018/2019

We are really pleased to be able to offer some new dates for the Men's Group for 2018 and 2019:

- Mon 8th Oct, 6.30pm
Speaker: Kevin Woods from Just42
- Mon 28th Jan, 6.30pm
- Mon 13th May, 6.30pm

At the Moon & Mushroom in Swilland. The evening will be similar to previously with a meal and usually a guest speaker.

A two course meal (choice on the night) will be £15. To book please email Mark Cresswell at least a week before. (Mark@Cresswell.onl)



The Carlford Churches
Ashbocking, Boulge, Burgh,
Clopton Grundisburgh, Hasketon,
Otley, Swilland.
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?Beyond

? Belief Autumn 2018

What do we really know about these Bible topics ?

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

Sessions are fortnightly on Monday October 8th & 22nd; November 5th & 19th, December 3rd. People of faith, agnostics, and atheists are all 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 2 – October 8th - Biblical Topic – Discussion 1: ‘The Apostle Paul’s Teachings’ – Why are Paul’s beliefs different to those of the Jerusalem church? Did he say slavery was okay or not? Did he believe marriage was no longer acceptable? What did he say about food? **References:** 1 Corinthians 7:1-40; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 & 11:7-34; Ephesians 6:5-9; [Colossians 3:22–4:1](#)

Session 3 – October 22nd - Biblical Topic – ppt. Presentation 2: ‘The Biblical Apocrypha and the Maccabees’ What is the Apocrypha? Is it part of the Bible? Who were the Maccabees and how did they uphold the laws given by Yahweh? What do they have to do with Jesus? **References:** The Biblical Apocrypha, commentaries, footnotes & appendices in your Bible

Session 4 – November 5th - Biblical Topic – Discussion 2: ‘Women and the Church’ –What was the role of the female followers of Jesus? What was Paul’s view of the role of women? Did women hold positions in the early Church? **References:** Romans 16:1-16; 1 Corinthians 11:2-16; 1 Corinthians 14:33-38; Ephesians 5:22-33; 1 Timothy 2:9-15

Session 5 – November 19th - Biblical Topic – ppt. Presentation 3: ‘Exodus – the Ten Plagues’ When are the plagues said to have occurred? Did they really occur? What did they mean to the Pharaoh Rameses? **References:** Deuteronomy 6:28-12:42

Session 6 – December 3rd - Biblical Topic – Discussion 3: ‘What do you know about Jesus Christ and his Life? Fun Quiz. References: The New Testament

Why not come and try our group? Join us this Autumn 2018
Enquiries: Paul on: 01473 738474 or
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FANCY A COFFEE?



We have opportunities, throughout October,

Ashbocking – Friday 5th at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

Clopton –Wednesday 17th at the Village Hall
10.00am – 12 noon

Grundisburgh – Saturday 3rd 10.15am-11.30am and then Wednesday 6th 10.00am – 11.00am both at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Otley – Thursday 11th 10.00am at the home of David and Tess Papworth of Lavender House, Otley

Swilland –Saturday 6th at the home of Gill Reidy of 1 Church Lane, Swilland from 10.00am

Do come along and join us

Otley & District Gardening Club



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

Monday 5th November – “Plants for Winter Interest” with Matthew Tanton Brown

All welcome - Join up or just come along.

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

To find out more, contact either
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