

# The Grapevine



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**"Wishing you all a Happy Easter"**

## **"British Values"**



Sometimes a word or a phrase gets lodged in my half memory and like a sentimental song it refuses to go away. Then one morning I woke up and asked myself what are 'Fundamental British Values? What are British values? For that matter what are fundamental values?

I looked back to my safeguarding training notes and there was the phrase repeated under the Prevent strategy. As a school Governor I now have a personal responsibility for promoting 'fundamental British values.'

I thought I knew the areas covered by safeguarding until I recently renewed my training and got the first quiz answer wrong. I recommend training to anyone active in the life of the church - schools, playgroups, lunches for the elderly, in fact any community or home activity. In my professional career I helped pick up some of the pieces when things went wrong. There is no feeling of guilt like the guilt of not knowing what you were meant to do when something goes wrong and a child or vulnerable adult gets hurt. Everyone from Bishops to grandmas (even grandpa bishops) can play a part in keeping children and vulnerable adults safe. If you doubt what I am writing, have a word with any ten year olds about online bullying. I hope the child shocks you.

Back to British values. It is arguable that British values are human values – democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect for, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. Like Justin Welby, our Archbishop, I would argue that our agreed citizens' rights need to be grounded in deeper values if we are to face the challenges of this century. Many roots of our freedoms lie in an understanding of Christianity.

In a parliamentary debate two years ago, the Archbishop put forward the proposal that the story of the Good Samaritan is a proper starting point to our understanding of values. It is only when we, our children and our children's children start to explore the question 'who is our neighbour?' that we start to explore the depth of fundamental values.

In his new book the Archbishop asks us to explore a wider and deeper set of moral convictions. He begins with community, courage and stability, seeking to inspire hope. If we want a more generous and hospitable Britain for our children Christian teaching can offer fundamental values. hope and encouragement.

Luke 10;29. The lawyer, ***Wanting to justify himself asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'***)

Jesus then told a story about the fate of a man who was robbed and left to die.

Luke 10; 36,37 Jesus; ***Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers? He said,' The one who showed him mercy' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'***

**Bill Herbert**

## Services across the Carlford Benefice

### April 1<sup>st</sup> Easter Day

**Acts 10.34-43 or Isaiah 25.6-9, Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24, 1 Corinthians 15.1-11, John 20.1-18 or Mark 16.1-8**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Burgh	+J
9.30am	Holy Communion	Clopton	FW
9.30am	Holy Communion	Hasketon	+Bp M
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	CS
11.00am	Extended Family Communion to include 1 <sup>st</sup> Banns for Paul Driver and Tracy Ruffles	Ashbocking	JW
11.00am	Extended Holy Communion	Boulge	MC
11.00am	Family Communion and Baptism of Leonie, Joshua and Tom	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Family Communion to include 1 <sup>st</sup> Banns for Charles Clarke and Catherine Whyman	Otley	+Bp M

### April 8<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Exodus 14.10-end, 15.20,21, Acts 4.32-35, Psalm 133, 1 John 1.1-2.2, John 20.19-end**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion with 2 <sup>nd</sup> Banns of above	Clopton	CS
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Hasketon	+J
11.00am	Holy Communion Parish Eucharist	Grundisburgh	CS

### April 15<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Zephaniah 3.14-end, Acts 3.12-19, Psalm 4, 1 John 3.1-7, Luke 24.36b-48**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	+J
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Lay Led
9.30am	APCM Service with 3 <sup>rd</sup> Banns of above	Otley	CS
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	FW
11.00am	Extended Family Communion	Burgh	JW
11.00am	APCM Service	Grundisburgh	MC

### April 22<sup>nd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Genesis 7.1-5, 11-18, 8.6-18, 9.8-13, Acts 4.5-12, Psalm 23, 1 John 3.16-end, John 10.11-18**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30pm	APCM Service	Hasketon	CS
11.00am	Family Service	Clopton	BH
11.00am	Extended Family Communion	Grundisburgh	MC
3.00pm	Messy Church	Hasketon	MC

### April 29<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Baruch 3.9-15, 32-4.4 or Genesis 22.1-18, Acts 8.26-end, Psalm 22.25-end, 1 John 4.7-end, John 15.1-8**

9.00am	Benefice Eucharist and Confirmation	Grundisburgh	+M
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Key – CS – Clare Sanders, FW – Fred Woods, +J – Bishop John Waine, BH – Bill Herbert, MS – Mark Sanders, JamesH – James Hall, RP – Richard Pepper, RF – Robert Fletcher, JW – Jane Woods, IW – Ian Wilson, PI – Philip Ind, MC – Mark Cresswell, GH – Graham Hedger, Jan – Jan Bates, Linda – Linda Pollard, TS – Tim Stevens TBC – To be Confirmed, JB – John Berg, +M – Bishop Martin, +Bp M – Bishop Mike

### Other Services in April

April 16<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion BCP Hasketon 9.30am

First point of contact is:

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

Clare Sanders 01473 735183

## What's On

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

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

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

**4th SWAPSHOP** 10.15am – 11.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh

**5th Visiting Bell Ringers** at Otley

**6th Ashbocking Coffee Morning** 10.30am – 12 noon at the home of Noreen and Ken Petherbridge's of Feoffee Farm House, Feoffee Farm Drive, Ashbocking

**7th Swilland Coffee Morning** at the home of Gina Wilden of 7 High Road, Swilland. From 10.00am

**7th Grundisburgh Coffee Morning** 10.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh

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

**9th Beyond Belief** Grundisburgh Parish Rooms 10.30 -12 noon – see details elsewhere

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

**9th Otley and District Gardening Club** 7.30pm – AGM Meeting "Propagation – Seeds & Cuttings" with Ann Tweddle

**12th Otley Coffee Morning** 10.00am at the home of Brian and Christine Childs at Lime Tree Place, Helmingham Road, Otley

**12th Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks** group for toddlers and carers 2.30pm

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

**17th Ministry Team meet**

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

**18th** 10.00am - 12 noon **Clopton Coffee Morning** in the Village Hall

**22nd Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh

**22nd Messy Church** 3pm – 4.30pm, Hasketon Village Hall – see details elsewhere

**23rd Beyond Belief** Grundisburgh Parish Rooms 10.30am -12 noon – see details elsewhere

**26th** 12.15pm **Hasketon Community Lunch** – let Claire Harrington know

**26th** Grundisburgh Church **Tiddlywinks** group for toddlers and carers 2.30pm

**28th** 12.00noon – 1.30pm **Burgh Soup Lunch**

**Carlford Groups**

**Social Groups**

**Baby Café** – 3rd April 9am Grundisburgh

**Hobbies Group** – 4th April 10am, Clopton

**Swapshop** – 4th April 10.15am, Grundisburgh

**Tiddlywinks** – 12th and 26th April  
2.30pm, Grundisburgh

**Prayer and Study Groups**

**Going Deeper** – 4th and 18th April 10am Ashbocking

**Grundisburgh Sunday Club** – 8th and 22nd  
April 10.45am, Grundisburgh

**Monday House Group** – 16th April 7.30pm,  
Grundisburgh

**Otley House Group** – 9th April 1.45pm, Otley

**Beyond Belief** – 9th and 23rd April 10.30-12 noon,  
Grundisburgh



**FANCY A COFFEE?**

We have opportunities,  
throughout April,

**Ashbocking** – Friday 6th at the home of  
Noreen and Ken Petherbridge's of Feoffee Farm  
House, Feoffee Farm Drive, Ashbocking  
10.30am – 12 noon

**Clopton** – Wednesday 18th at the  
Village Hall 10.00am – 12 noon

**Grundisburgh** – Wednesday 4th 10.15am –  
11.30am and then Saturday 7th 10.30am –  
11.45am at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**Otley** – Thursday 12th at the home of Brian and  
Christine Childs of Lime Tree Place, Helmingham  
Road, Otley 10.00am.

**Swilland** – Saturday 7th at the home of Gina  
Wilden of 7 High Road, Swilland from 10.00am

Do come along and join us

Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>

Grundisburgh  
9.00am Benefice Eucharist

We welcome Bp Martin on his  
first visit to our benefice

Please make this a priority and a  
celebration of our belonging together  
and going forward together in faith

Bp Martin needs to be in Bury St Edmunds  
by 12.00noon – hence the change in time

Please pray for Vicki, Laura and Tom to  
be confirmed as part of this service



Easter Day

8.00am Grundisburgh

9.30am Hasketon – Burgh, Clopton and Swilland

11.00am Otley – Grundisburgh-Ashbocking – Boulge

We welcome Bp Mike who will celebrate Easter  
with the people of Hasketon and Otley

## **Benefice Away Day Report**

The CARLFORD acrostic will I hope by now be very familiar to you- but no so familiar that it ceases to challenge you. The acrostic was the main theme around which we shaped our first Benefice Away Afternoon in Feb. It was good to have 45 people from across the 8 parishes gathered together sharing in discussion about what it means to be engaged in God's mission in the world today and the implications of that call upon our lives as to how we organise ourselves in terms of worship and activities.

We are a:

**C**-creative community

**A**-alive and at work in God's world

**R**-rooted and grounded in God

**L**-living and learning together

**F**-faithful to God and each other

**O**-ordinary folk, doing ordinary things

**R**-radically challenged by the Gospel

**D**-dynamic and dedicated disciples

The ideas that came out of the discussions were:

### **Creative Community**

Discovering what the needs of the community are?

Exploring the use of church premises

for community -more flexible uses

Growing community clubs in response to

needs Celebrating new homes.

### **Alive and at work in God's world**

Praying for our community  
Developing better communications  
Talking about God in our daily lives  
Making Church part of our village world  
Growing Messy Church for families in  
Growing outward reaching groups, not just on Sundays

### **Rooted and Grounded in God**

Developing a pattern of personal prayer  
Enabling growth in aspects of discipleship -  
Alpha/Bible Study etc

Encouraging young people

### **Living and Learning together**

Meeting and talking

Growing more House groups

Having more regular Benefice

services  
Joining in with others

### **Faithful to God and each other**

Welcoming and enabling newcomers to come.

Developing different types of service.

### **Ordinary people doing ordinary things**

Belonging to non church groups

Inviting community in - welcome packs

Having more joint events

Carrying out an audit of talents - using people's skills

### **Radically challenged by the**

**Gospel** Seeing Church as people.

Using different facilities in winter

Reaching the young

### **Dynamic and dedicated disciples**

Encouraging a benefice wide view -notices, visits

Inviting single people in

Using individual gifts

Being more outward looking

Broadening communications

When we brought all these themes together, a "story" began to emerge -

1. There are evolving desires to be more of a benefice community together
2. and to be a church community that engages with and serve our village communities.
3. For that we need to be better at a range of communications
4. but we also need to work out our best use of ministerial team as that changes over the next few years.

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## **Benefice Away Day Report Continued...**

Sally Gaze, the Dean of Rural Ministry and Mission shared with us some perspectives on rural ministry from across the country – noting particularly that monthly worship has a better record for growing Church than fortnightly...but that in any multi parish benefice there is a fundamental need for one parish to be the "Resource Church" or "Minster Church" offering weekly provision for children and families to grow in faith and discipleship.

So we now have some key issues to address:-

- What things including worship can we best do as a benefice and how do we organise ourselves to do that and enable growth?
- What things can /should we be doing to build up our relationships in our local communities?
- How can we improve our communications across the 8 and within each of our parishes?
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These issues will form the basis for discussion over the coming months.

### **Otley & District Gardening Club 2018 Season**



Patron: Matthew Tanton-Brown

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

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May – 10.30am Open Plant Sale**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May "Over the Garden Wall" with Nick Dobson**

Compare gardening notes over tea/coffee & biscuits. All welcome

Admission £1:50 (members) £4:00 (non-members)

To find out more, contact Alan Trevelyan (01473 890563) or Isabel Lincoln (01473 890826)

**BURGH CHURCH SCHOOLROOM  
DRABBS LANE, IP13 6QA**

**BURGH SOUP LUNCH**

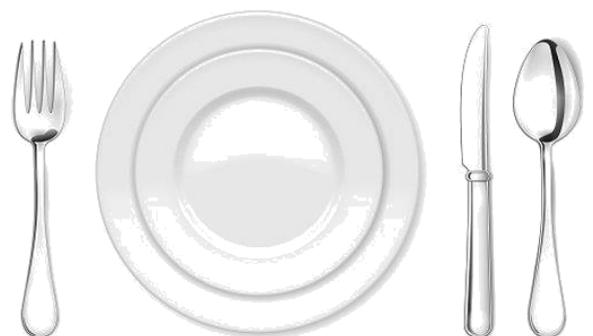
28<sup>th</sup> April 12 Noon – 1.30PM



**Homemade soups and rustic bread £3.50  
Dessert £1.50  
Free tea or coffee**

Proceeds to Burgh Church Fabric Fund

**Progressive Dinner Otley**



**'Save the Date'**

**Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup>**

## **APCMs**

### **Remaining Annual Parochial Church Meetings**

The meetings will take place in the context of worship followed by the business agenda

**April 15<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Otley  
11.00am Grundisburgh

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** 9.30am Hasketon

Please support your church by attending and giving thanks for all that has happened over the past year and with commitment to the year that lies ahead

# **BBC**

## **Bible Book Club**

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

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

**Our next meeting is on May 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 at 10.30am.**

**Discussing 'Why There Almost Certainly is a God'  
- [Doubting Dawkins] by 'Keith Ward'**



**Why not get a copy and start reading now, we would be very pleased to have you come along.**

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

**Please let us know if you will be joining us.**



## STOCK URGENTLY REQUIRED

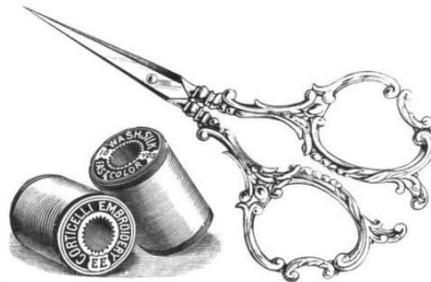
**Boulge church will be having a Car Boot sale at the Grundisburgh Fete on 14<sup>th</sup> July, and we urgently need items to sell, for our church funds.**

**We are happy to collect**

**Please call Ken Petherbridge      07974 748 887**

## Craft and Coffee

### Hasketon



It is with regret that Craft and Coffee has come to an end. I would like to take this opportunity to **thank everyone** for their involvement over the 20+ years it has been running.

I am however, still always willing to help those who are struggling to finish a project or to lend from my stock of books.

*Molly Smith*

## 'Beyond Belief' – Spring 2018

### What do we really know about these Bible topics...?

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 April 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**; May 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>. People of faith, agnostic, and atheist 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 3 – April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Biblical Topic** – ppt. Presentation 2 'Who wrote the Old Testament?' How many people wrote the Old Testament? When, where, why? What about the Apocrypha – shouldn't it be part of the Bible canon? **References:** Commentaries, footnotes and appendices in your Bible

#### Session 4 – April 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Biblical Topic** – Discussion 2: 'How can we know Jesus existed?' – What evidence is there - for or against? Does the Bible text help us? Do non-canonical records provide any evidence? **References:** Matthew 1:1; Luke 1:1-4; Acts 8:1-3; Acts 9:1-5

**Still to come:- Session 5 – May 7<sup>th</sup> & Session 6 – May 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Why not come and try our new group? Join us this Spring 2018 Enquiries: Paul on: 01473 738474 or [paulwiffen222@btinternet.com](mailto:paulwiffen222@btinternet.com)**



Tuesday 3rd April 2018

9.00am-10.30am Baby Cafe

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month in Grundisburgh Parish Room

Free Coffee / Tea / Biscuits.

Plenty of buggy parking space.  
Car parking in back lane,  
in front of church

For mums / dads / carers / babies / toddlers

Drop older children off at school and join us



A Stall In Grundisburgh Every Month

*Buy Fairtrade Goods*

*Bamboo Socks*

*Tea & Coffee*

*Sugar & Honey*

*Soap & Handwash*

*Chocolate & Geobars*

*Greetings Cards & Gifts*



Where?..When?

at the 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

Catalogues are available in St. Mary's church

Orders and information from Pat Fletcher

01473 735 775 [p.j.fletcher45@gmail.com](mailto:p.j.fletcher45@gmail.com)



## Messy Listening

Have you ever used a Listening tube? It might surprise you! Come and hear Someone being Surprised by God.

A fun event for adults and children together, involving, singing, stories and sharing food.

Hasketon Village Hall

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 3pm to 4.30pm

All Welcome.  
£1 per family  
suggested donation.

If you'd like to come, please let us know names of adults and children so we can get the catering right and have fun together.

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