

# The Grapevine



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November 2018

## "Peace and War"



This year Remembrance Sunday has a very special significance: the end of the First World War, the "Great War" as some called it; "the war to end all wars" as others naively hoped. The horror, devastation and loss of life were surely a catastrophe. Nigel Biggar, in his book "In Defence of War," argues that war is always evil, never a first response, but is sometimes justified. Many Christians, including padres and soldiers I've known, share that view, though of course some Christians and others are pacifists.

If we are Christians, then we look to Jesus' life and teaching to guide our beliefs and attitudes. But Jesus was a realist: "Countries will fight each other; Kingdoms will attack one another." (Mark 13:8) Yet in the midst of such evil and suffering, some good may be found, just as poppies grow again on battle-scarred ground.

One person still remembered from the First World War is the padre Studdert Kennedy, often referred to as "Woodbine Willie" from his habit of offering cigarettes to soldiers as he started up a conversation. Studdert Kennedy was able to speak of hope as he encouraged soldiers to serve with honour. Yet he had revulsion for the vileness of war, and a deep sense of the presence of the crucified Christ, sharing in the suffering. (One Church of England padre I knew told me that before going into to action in Afghanistan, lots of

soldiers – religious and non-religious, would come up to him and say: "We want the mass, padre, the bread and wine." I'm reminded of the words about Jesus: "He will not break a bruised reed, or put out a flickering lamp." (Matthew 12:20). The 19 year old son of a friend of mine, who was killed by an I.E.D. in Afghanistan, had said that morning to a fellow soldier: "I guess when push comes to shove, I believe in God."

After a war, sometimes something not perfect but good – is born: The League of Nations after WW1, closer cooperation between European nations after WW2. Sheenagh Pugh's cautiously optimistic poem expresses it well:

"Sometimes things don't go, after all, from bad to worse. A people will sometimes step back from war."

A few weeks ago I was listening to Karl Jenkins' very moving work, "The Armed Man – A Mass for Peace." It has the line:

"Better is peace than always war."

When we come to a Remembrance Day Service, we come with gratitude for the sacrifice of so many; with practical concern for all victims of war; with prayers for world leaders; and for many of us, with the certain hope that one day God's purposes will be fulfilled.

Jenkins' oratorio ends:

"God shall wipe away all tears

And there shall be no more death

Neither sorrow nor crying

Neither shall there be any more pain."

(Revelation 21:4)

**Rev'd Fred Woods**

## Services across the Carlford Benefice

### Sunday November 4th

*Deuteronomy 6.1-9, Psalm 119.1-8, Hebrews 9.11-14, Mark 12.28-34*

<b>Grundisburgh</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Remembering Service
<b>Otley</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion
<b>Boulge</b>	11.00am	Holy Communion

### Monday November 5th

<b>Hasketon</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion
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### Wednesday November 7th

<b>Grundisburgh</b>	9.30am	followed by coffee at SWAPSHOP
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### Thursday November 8th

<b>Otley</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion followed by the coffee morning at 36 Church Road
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### Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Sunday

*Jonah 3.1-5,10, Psalm 62.5-end, Hebrews 9.24-end, Mark 13.14-20*

<b>Grundisburgh</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.50am	Remembrance Service
<b>Hasketon</b>	9.30am	Remembrance Service
<b>Burgh</b>	9.30am	Remembrance Service
<b>Boulge</b>	9.30am	Remembrance Service
<b>Otley</b>	10.50am	Remembrance Service
<b>Ashbocking</b>	10.50am	Remembrance Service
<b>Clopton</b>	10.50am	Remembrance Service
<b>Swilland</b>	12.15pm	Remembrance Service

### Sunday November 18th

*Daniel 12.1-3, Psalm 16, Hebrews 10.11-14 [15-18], 19-25, Mark 13.1-8*

<b>Grundisburgh</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Morning Prayer
<b>Burgh</b>	9.30am	Family Holy Communion
<b>Hasketon</b>	9.30am	Morning Prayer
<b>Swilland</b>	11.00am	Holy Communion
<b>Hasketon</b>	3.00pm	Messy Church – Village Hall

### Thursday November 22nd

<b>Hasketon</b>	11.30am	Holy Communion followed by the Community Lunch in the Village Hall
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### Sunday November 25<sup>th</sup> Christ The King

*Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14, Psalm 93, Revelation 1.4b-8, John 18.33-37*

<b>Grundisburgh</b>	8.00am	Cribfest
	11.00am	Family Holy Communion
<b>Clopton</b>	9.30am	Family Holy Communion
<b>Otley</b>	4.30pm	Evensong

First point of contact:

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

Rev'd Clare Sanders 01473 735183

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

**2nd 10.30am Ashbocking Coffee Morning** at the home of Stephanie Andrews-Pearce at The Meade, The Green, Ashbocking

**3rd Grundisburgh Coffee Morning** 10.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh

**3rd Swilland Coffee morning** at the home of Gina Wilden of 7 High Road, Swilland from 10.00am

**5th 7.30pm Otley and District Gardening Club – "Plants for Winter Interest" with Matthew Tanton Brown**

**5th Beyond Belief** 10.30am – 12 noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms – details elsewhere

**6th Baby Café** Grundisburgh Parish Room 9.00am – 10.30am

**7th SWAPSHOP** 10.15am-11.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh

**7th Hobbies Group**, Clopton Village Hall 10.00am until 12 noon

**7th "Going Deeper" Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

**8th Midweek Communion** at 9.30am followed by **Otley Coffee Morning** at the home of Jane and Fred Woods of 36 Church Road

**8th 2.30pm Tiddlywinks** – in the Upper Room

**10th Burgh Coffee Morning** 10.30am – 12 noon, Burgh Schoolroom

**11th Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh

**12th Otley House Group** 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark of Cherry Bank, Otley

**13th 10.00am Carers Support Group** meet at the home of Sue and John Goode in Grundisburgh

**13th 2.00pm Boulge PCC** meet at 54 Gurdon Rd in Grundisburgh

**13th 7.30pm Hasketon and Grundisburgh PCC** meet at Grundisburgh School

**14th Ashbocking House Group** 7.30pm meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking

**15th Shoebox Packing Party** 2.00-4.00pm, Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**18th 3.00pm Messy Church** in Hasketon Village Hall

**19th Beyond Belief** 10.30am – 12 noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms – details elsewhere

**19th Monday House Group** at the home of Malcolm and Sandra Green at 7.30pm

**21st 10.00am-12.00noon Clopton Coffee Morning** in the Village Hall

**21st "Going Deeper" Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

**22nd – 25th – CRIBFEST** in Grundisburgh Church – see details elsewhere

**22nd Midweek Communion** at 11.30am followed by the **Hasketon Community Lunch** at 12.15 noon - contact Claire Harrington -01394 380644

**22nd 2.30pm Tiddlywinks** meet in the Upper Room

**25th Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh

**26th Otley House Group** 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark of Cherry Bank, Otley

**28th Ashbocking House Group** 7.30pm meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking

**29th 7.30pm COSA PCCs** meet at Clopton Village Hall

**Carlford Groups**

**Social Groups**

**Baby Café** –6th November 9am Grundisburgh

**Hobbies Group** –7th November 10am, Clopton

**Swapshop** –7th November 10.15am, Grundisburgh Church

**Tiddlywinks** –8th & 22nd November 2.30pm, Grundisburgh

**Prayer and Study Groups**

**Ashbocking House Group** –14th & 28th November  
7.30pm, Ashbocking

**Going Deeper** –7th & 21st November 10am Ashbocking

**Grundisburgh Sunday Club** –11th & 25th November  
10.45am, Grundisburgh

**Monday House Group** –19th November 7.30pm,  
Grundisburgh

**Otley House Group** –12th & 26th November 1.45pm,  
Otley

**Beyond Belief** –5th & 19th November 10.30am,  
Grundisburgh



Messy Stir-up

A fun activity based event for adults and children together, involving, singing, stories and sharing food as we prepare for Christmas



**Hasketon Village Hall**

Sunday 18th November, 3pm to 4.30pm

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.org](mailto:mark@cresswell.org)

£1 per family suggested donation.



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**FOLLOW THE STAR TO GRUNDISBURGH SUFFOLK.**



A CELEBRATION OF NATIVITY CRIBS FROM ACROSS THE WORLD, AND OF CONTEMPORARY ART BASED ON THE STORY OF THE MAGI.

OUR FINAL YEAR OF THE FESTIVAL, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY NOT TO BE MISSED.

ST MARY'S CHURCH GRUNDISBURGH SUFFOLK

NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> – 25<sup>TH</sup>

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 10AM – 5PM

The festival began in a small way 16 years ago and has been held every 2 years since then; the last 10 years in Grundisburgh. It has attracted interest from across the country, and indeed Europe, with Presepe made especially for us in Naples.

Many churches have been inspired by CRIBFEST to hold their own crib exhibitions, a wonderful and meaningful way to celebrate Advent.

Armistice Day  
November 11<sup>th</sup> 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

November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Stir up	Hasketon VH
December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Christ- mas 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.

Messy Church will be back in January 2019

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



## Burgh "Let Us Remember"

### Coffee Morning

Saturday 10th November  
Festive Coffee Morning at Burgh Schoolroom

10.30am to 12.00 noon



Proceeds to British Legion



*to all those who came to  
Burgh Macmillan's Soup Lunch  
we raised £275!*



### *Buy Fairtrade & Ethical Goods*

*Sugar & Honey Coffee & Chocolate  
Bamboo Socks, Greetings Cards*

Charity Christmas Cards  
are now in from



Gifts and  
Decorations  
for the Tree



Buy from the Stall

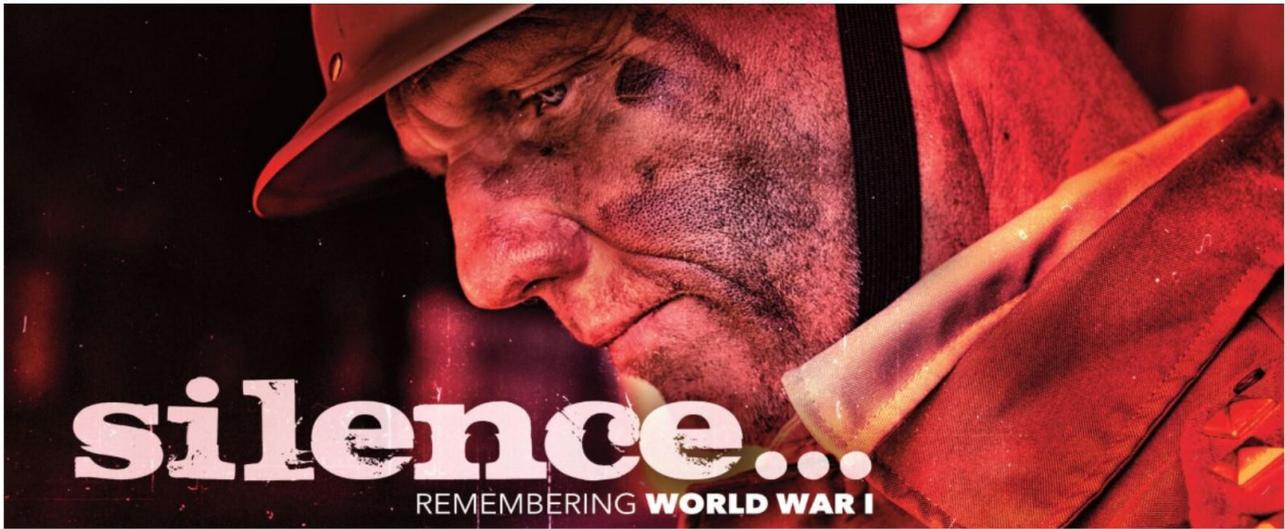
Coffee Morning Parish Room Saturday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>

St. Mary's Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> 12pm

Cafe 66 Village Hall 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



# Remembrance Services 2018

Remembrance Sunday 11th November

2018 marks 100 years since the guns of the Great War fell silent, please join us to mark the sacrifices of all those who gave their lives in war, then and since, and to pray for peace.

Ashbocking Church, 10.50am  
Boulge Church, 9.30am  
Burgh Church, 9.30am  
Clopton Church, 10.50am  
Grundisburgh Green, 10.50am  
Hasketon Church, 9.30am  
Otley War Memorial, 10.50am  
Swilland Church, 12.15pm



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You are invited to the

**Shoebox packing Party**

**15<sup>th</sup> November 2pm till 4pm**

**Grundisburgh Parish Rooms**

This is for those who would like to take part in this worthwhile Appeal, only do not want to fill a whole box, i.e. you may like to knit hats or some mittens if you have some spare wool.

To give you more idea of what is required  
Please pick up a leaflet from **Williams Store** or **St Mary' Church**

Then have fun in seeing how many we can complete as a Party.

No need to bring empty boxes, there will be plenty of ready wrapped boxes to fill.

Any questions please phone me Jenny Taylor 738066

## ? 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 November 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. 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 4 - November 5<sup>th</sup> - 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 19<sup>th</sup> - 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 3<sup>rd</sup> - 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  
[paulwiffen222@btinternet.com](mailto:paulwiffen222@btinternet.com)



## Carlford Churches 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](mailto:Mark@Cresswell.onl))



## Grapevine by email

If you, your friends or neighbours would like the Grapevine each month by email. Please email Robert Fletcher on [robert@easternngreen.com](mailto:robert@easternngreen.com) to be added to the mailing list.



## FANCY A COFFEE?



We have opportunities, throughout November,

**Ashbocking** – Friday 2nd at the home of Stephanie Andrews-Pearce of The Meade,  
The Green, Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

**Burgh** – Saturday 10th at The Burgh Schoolroom, Burgh 10.30am – 12 noon

**Clopton** –Wednesday 21st at the Village Hall  
10.00am – 12 noon

**Grundisburgh** – Saturday 3rd 10.15am-11.30am and then SWAPSHOP on Wednesday  
7th 10.00am –11.00am both at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**Otley** – Thursday 8th 10.00am at the home of Fred and Jane Woods of 36 Church  
Road, Otley

**Swilland** –Saturday 3rd at the home of Gina Wilden of 7 High Road, Swilland  
from 10.00am

Do come along and join us

### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> December – “Christmas Floral Craft” with Sue Montgomery**

All welcome - Join up or just come along.

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

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