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Sometimes it's hard to escape some of the clichés about heaven. For instance, the fluffy white clouds, white robes and St Peter at the Pearly gates with a large book to tick us all off in. To describe life as a journey has also become somewhat of cliché. However, as we celebrate the feast of St Peter at the end of June these two clichés seem to be coming together in an interesting way. Whenever I think of Peter I think of the changes he went through in his life. There's the geographical, from rural Galilee, to the national capital Jerusalem and on to centre of the empire, Rome. There's his role change from Fisherman to Church leader, Apostle and Theologian. And if you look at the number of times he was in jail, including the escapes, you'd think that he certainly lived life to the full. But perhaps most of all Peter appears human. He's strong, yes, but also impatient and flawed. He also loved Jesus and that love brought him back to Jesus time after time so that Jesus could rebuild him and reform him.

There's a legend about Peter that says while he was in Rome he realised he was going to be executed by the authorities, so he escaped the city. On the road he met Jesus. He asked, 'Lord where are you going?' the reply came 'To take your place.' At which point Peter turned around and returned to Rome.

This summer represents a key milestone for twenty-six of us from around our diocese as we will be made Deacons on the 30th June. We'll be celebrating in the Benefice at a special service on the 1st July and to be honest, the new role feels daunting even if it will be with some of the nicest congregations you could ask for!! But we often think that being a Christian is about getting to those Pearly Gates and finding ourselves in Peter's book. But Jesus teaches that the Kingdom of God is near. It's now, it's all around. It's in our love for each other, in the way we welcome strangers and care for our environment. As Bishop Michael said at the Royal Wedding;

There's power in love. There's power in love to help and heal when nothing else can. There's power in love to lift up and liberate when nothing else will. There's power in love to show us the way to live.

But it's not perfect, as we well know God's kingdom isn't fully here yet, which is why I'm encouraged by Peter, and his frailties, by his devotion to Jesus, but most of all by the way that Jesus puts him back together each time. Peter's journey encourages us, it says; keep going, but most of all it points towards the source of Bishop Michael's love – it points to Jesus Christ himself. Whatever milestones we come to in life Jesus is the living water that sustains, refreshes and completes us all.

Mark Cresswell

Services across the Carlford Benefice

July 1st 5th Sunday after Trinity

2 Samuel 1.1,17-end, Psalm 130, 2 Corinthians 8.7-end,

Mark 5.21-end

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Benefice Service to celebrate Mark and Bill's Ordinations as Deacons	Grundisburgh	CS

July 8th 6th Sunday after Trinity

2 Samuel 5.1-5, 9-10, Psalm 48, 2 Corinthians 12.2-10,

Mark 6.1-13

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Clopton	CS
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Hasketon	+J
11.00am	Holy Communion	Ashbocking	CS
11.00am	Extended Parish Eucharist	Grundisburgh	MC
6.30pm	Evensong	Otley	MC

July 15th 7th Sunday after Trinity

2 Samuel 6.1-5,12b-19, Psalm 24, Ephesians 1.3-14,

Mark 6.14-29

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	+J
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Lay Led
9.30am	Holy Communion to include 1 st Banns for Mel Soames and James Holmes	Otley	CS
11.00am	Family Holy Communion	Burgh	CS
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Grundisburgh	BH
11.00am	Family Service	Swilland	MC

July 22nd 8th Sunday after Trinity

2 Samuel 7.1-14a, Psalm 89.20-37, Ephesians 2.11-end,

Mark 6.30-34, 53-end

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Hasketon	CS
11.00am	Family Service to include 2 nd Banns for Mel Soames and James Holmes	Clopton	MC
11.00am	Family Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS

July 29th 9th Sunday after Trinity

2 Samuel 11.1-15, Psalm 14, Ephesians 3.14-end,

John 6.1-21

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Benefice Service to include 3 rd Banns for Mel Soames and James Holmes	Boulge	KC

Key - CS - Clare Sanders, FW - Fred Woods, +J - Bishop John Waine, BH - Bill Herbert, RP - Richard Pepper, JW - Jane Woods, MC - Mark Cresswell, Linda - Linda Pollard, JB - John Berg, RF - Robert Fletcher, KC - Kirsty Christmas

Other Services in July

July 2nd	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am
July 4th	Holy Communion BCP	Grundisburgh	9.30am
July 16th	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

June 30th and July 1st Ashbocking Flower Festival 10.00am - 4pm Free Entry, Ashbocking Church

1st Carlford Benefice Celebration Grundisburgh Church 11am

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 Grundisburgh Symphony Orchestra Summer Concert Grundisburgh Church 6pm

6th Ashbocking Coffee Morning 10.30am - 12 noon hosted by Liz and Steve Stegman of Old House Cottage, The Green, Ashbocking

7th Swilland Coffee morning at the home of Gill Reidy of No 1, Church Lane, Swilland from 10.00am

7th Grundisburgh Coffee Morning 10.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh

7th Clopton Strawberry Tea 2.30pm - 5pm Thamaniya, Shop Road, Clopton. Everyone welcome.

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

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

11th Ashbocking House Group 7.30pm at the home of Sarah and Steve Wilson of Eastbrook House, The Green, Ashbocking

12th 10.00am Otley Coffee Morning meet at the home of Janet Booker Smith of Helmingham Cottage, Otley

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

14th Grundisburgh Village Show and car boot Sale - support Boulge at the car boot!!

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

17th Ministry Team meet at 6.30pm in the Upper Room

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

18th Clopton meet for Coffee in the Village Hall at 10.00am - 12.00noon

21st Messy Church Holiday Club 10.00am - 3.00pm - see details elsewhere

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

25th Ashbocking House Group 7.30pm at the home of Sarah and Steve Wilson of Eastbrook House, The Green, Ashbocking

26th 12.15pm Hasketon Community Lunch - in the Village Hall

28th Grundisburgh Church Fete together with **Grundisburgh Art Club Summer Exhibition** in church 1.00pm - 4.00pm

29th Grundisburgh Art Club Summer Exhibition in church 10.00am - 5.00pm

29th Benefice Service at Boulge Special guest speaker Kirsty Christmas from CAP 11.00am

Carlford Groups

Social Groups

Baby Café –3rd July 9am Grundisburgh

Hobbies Group –4th July 10am, Clopton

Swapshop – 4th July 10.15am, Grundisburgh

Tiddlywinks – 12th July 2.30pm, Grundisburgh

Prayer and Study Groups

Ashbocking House Group – 11th and 25th July
7.30pm, Ashbocking

Going Deeper – 4th and 18th July 10am Ashbocking

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

Monday House Group – 16th July 7.30pm,
Grundisburgh

Otley House Group – 9th July 1.45pm, Otley



FANCY A COFFEE?

We have opportunities,
throughout July,

Ashbocking – Friday 6th hosted by Liz and Steve
Stegman of Old House Cottage, The Green,
Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

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

Grundisburgh – Wednesday 4th 10.00am -
11.00am and then Saturday 7th 10.30am –11.45am
at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Otley – Thursday 12th at the home of Janet Booker
Smith of Helmingham Cottage, Otley 10.00am.

Swilland –Saturday 7th at the home of Gill Reidy of
1 Church Lane, Swilland from 10.00am

Do come along and join us

christians
against
poverty

CAP

Benefice Service at Boulge

**July 29th
at 11.00am**

We welcome Kirsty Christmas from "Christians Against Poverty"
as our Guest Speaker.

CAP is setting up in Saxmundham, to provide a service of debt counselling in our area.

Our service today will consider our call to stewardship of money and the call to
generosity found throughout the Old and New Testament, as you prepare for this
service take time to think how many biblical stories there are about generous giving?

To start you off – the widow's mite (Mark 12: v41-44)

*For more information on Christians Against Poverty (CAP) and their work
please look on their website:- www.capuk.org*

Otley & District Gardening Club 2018 Season



Patron: Matthew Tanton-Brown

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

After our summer break the next club meeting will be on

**Monday 3rd September
Graeme Proctor, of Crown Nurseries,
will tell us about Winter Pruning**

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)

GRUNDISBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FAMILY CONCERT



Thursday 5th July 6pm in St Mary's Church, Grundisburgh
A free concert (with a retiring collection in aid of Grundisburgh
and Burgh Church funds).

Tea/coffee cake and wine afterwards.

Contact: Sarah Cavanagh 738944



STOCK URGENTLY REQUIRED

Boulge church will be having a Car Boot sale at the Grundisburgh Village Show on 14th July, and we urgently need items to sell, for our church funds.

We are happy to collect

Please call Ken Petherbridge 07974 748 887

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 September 4th 2018 at 10.30.

Discussing: 'How To Read The Bible & Still Be A Christian – Is God Violent? An Exploration from Genesis to Revelation'

By John Dominic Crossan

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

paulwiffen222@btinternet.com or 01473738474

Please let us know if you will be joining us.



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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



Messy Holiday Club 2018

St Mary's Church,
Grundisburgh Sat 21st July

Come and have a fun day
playing Summer games,
making things and
learning about what
Jesus did.



This day will be run by the Messy Church team for children only. Each child should bring a packed lunch and a drink. They need to wear clothing suitable for the day and sensible shoes that they can run around in.

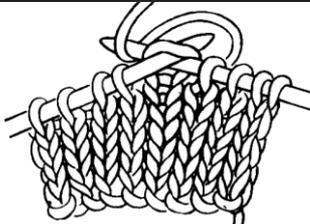
Holiday club is for children going into year 1 to those leaving year 6. The full day is from 10am-3pm and costs £5. For under 5's with their parents a half day is available, 1pm -3pm Cost £2. All money to be paid by July 15th to secure a space.

Any questions please email mark@creSSwell.onl. We would love to see you all but we do need the paper forms and payment to secure a place.

Sign up Soon as we have a limited number of spaces!

To register please collect a form from the back of Church or Download one from <https://carlfordchurches.org/messy-church/>

"Blankets for the Homeless"



The Suffolk branch of the charity "Blankets for the Homeless" are currently collecting the following items: -

- Knitted/crocheted 6" squares or strips to be made into blankets
- Sleeping bags
- Blankets
- Patchwork quilts
- Sheets, pillowcases and duvet covers

These will be distributed to charities, groups, shelters and refuges helping vulnerable people in Ipswich.

Items can be dropped off at 63 Gurdon Road Grundisburgh IP13 6XA or ring 01473 735926 to arrange collection.

Sunday July 1st

**A Carlford Benefice
Celebration of Ministry
as we celebrate together
the ordination of
Mark and Bill as Deacons**

**"We welcome the Rev'd Clare
Herbert - Bill's Sister as our
preacher"**

**Grundisburgh Church 11.00am
Followed by a Bring and Share
Lunch**

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.
For more information please contact

Pat Fletcher 01473 735775



GRUNDISBURGH ART GROUP ANNUAL EXHIBITION



Grundisburgh Church

Saturday 28th July 1pm to 4 pm
and
Sunday 29th July 10am to 5 pm

Plenty of very talented work to view
something for everyone to enjoy

Refreshments – Cards- Bookmarks

Ashbocking Flower Festival



June 30th- July 1st

10am – 4pm

Free Entry, refreshments, bric-a-
brac & a book stall

Ashbocking Church

St Peter's Festival
Blaxhall

30 June & 1 July
11am till 5pm

This year's theme

Flower Fairies

Flowers in the Church

Art Exhibition in
the Village Hall

Plus music, handbells, crafts, table tennis,
children's games, plant and produce stall,
and refreshments all day.



**St Mary's Grundisburgh Fete
1pm until 4pm on the Village Green**



Saturday 28th July 2018

Grand Draw
Hoopla Stall
Bottle Stall
Junior Tombola
Fancy Dress Competition
Path of Coins
Locate the Alien game
Great "Bargain Hunt" collection of bric a brac
Higher or lower card game
Display of Vehicles from Debach Museum
Hand Crafted Wood Turned items
Home Baked Cakes and Pies to take home
Refreshments served in the church from 1pm
Home Made cakes, Scones and tea and coffee
Fairtrade Products
Body Shop

Donations to the stalls are most welcome
Cakes, Fruit Pies and Scones on 28th July from 8.30am
Bottles (for bottle stall) to the back of the church from 18 June
Clothes/Books/Homewares (no electricals please)
to Parish Rooms from 3pm 25th July

For more info please contact
Jenny and Mike Taylor 01473 738066
Anne and John Ledgley 01473 735953