

The Grapevine
News for the parishes of
the Carlford Benefice
April 2015

A new taste of life?
Death and resurrection - the core to Christian hope.

I do not believe that Jesus suffered persecution, died on the cross and was raised to new life simply in order for us to enjoy a transient taste of an Easter egg? Do you? So, why do believers and non-believers celebrate Easter?

In his book *Surprised by Hope*, Tom Wright writes 'what we say about death and resurrection gives shape and colour to everything else.' The starting point for all Christian thinking about the topic of death and resurrection must be Jesus' own resurrection. By reading the scriptures, we gain an understanding as to what it meant to the first disciples and why they drew from it the conclusions they did. Then, by expressing our faith in current living, we discover that Christ is as alive today, through his gift of the Holy Spirit, shaping people's lives and bringing transformation into communities and situations, even to restoring some that seemed hope-less.

Christians regularly recite in the Lord's prayer 'thy kingdom come, on earth as in heaven'. This remains one of the most powerful and revolutionary sentences we can ever say: a call that was powerfully answered at the first Easter and will finally be answered fully when heaven and earth are joined in the new Jerusalem. **'Easter was when Hope in person surprised the whole world by coming forward from the future into the present.'**

The huge questions opened for reflection in the Easter season - April and beyond -include 'what can we say about the future of the whole of the whole cosmos?', 'what do we mean when we speak of Jesus' coming again to judge the living and the dead?', 'where are the dead now?', 'what is the communion of saints?', 'how can Christians grieve appropriately?', how can we appropriately celebrate and live by the very specific Christian hope of the resurrection in our own day and culture?, what might 'hope' look like, not just in the ultimate future but nearer at hand?'

When grounded in God, 'hope' provides the motivation to live the Christian life: one of joy, encouragement and restoration, even in the face of trouble. Our task in the present is to live as a resurrection people in between Easter and the final day, with our Christian life, corporate and individual in both worship and mission, as a sign of the first and a foretaste of the second. **May we all enjoy a new taste of living, in this life and the next. Happy Easter.**

Revd Wendy Gourlay

Services across the Carlford Benefice

April 5th Easter Day

Acts 10: 34-43, John 20: 1-18 or Mark 16: 1-8

Sunrise	Service	Clopton	JamesH
8.00am	Holy Communion	Clopton	JaneH
8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion with Baptisms	Burgh	JW
9.30am	Family Communion	Hasketon	WG
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	FW
11.00am	Family Service with Holy Com.	Ashbocking	CB
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	WG
11.00am	Family Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Family Service with Holy Communion and Baptism	Otley	FW

April 12th Easter 1

Acts 4: 32-35, John 20: 19-end, Ps. 133

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Clopton	GH
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Hasketon	JW
11.00am	Parish Eucharist	Grundisburgh	Fred/JaneW
6.30pm	Evensong	Boulge	RP

April 19th Easter 2

Acts 3: 12-19, Luke 24: 36b-48, Ps. 4

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Burgh	WG/JamesH
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Lay led
9.30am	Holy Communion	Otley	CB
11.00am	Holy Communion + APCM	Boulge	WG/JamesH
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Grundisburgh	BH
11.00am	Family Service	Swilland	FW

April 26th Easter 3

Acts 4: 5-12, John 10: 11-18, Ps. 23

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Burgh	JamesH
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Hasketon	JaneH
11.00am	Family Service	Clopton	JaneH
11.00am	APCM Service	Grundisburgh	CS
6.00pm	APCM inc. short act of worship	Otley	CS

Key – CS – Clare Sanders, CB – Catherine Beaumont, WG – Wendy Gourlay, FW – Fred Woods, JW – John Waine, BH – Bill Herbert, MS – Mark Sanders, JaneH (Jane Hall), JamesH (James Hall), RP – (Richard Pepper) RF – (Robert Fletcher) JaneW (Jane Woods) GH – (Graham Hedger)

Other Services in April

April 20th Holy Communion BCP Hasketon 9.30am



FANCY A COFFEE?



We have opportunities, throughout December, at
Grundisburgh –Wednesday 1st at 10.15am-11.30am and Saturday 4th 10.30am – 12 noon at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Ashbocking –Friday 3rd at the home of Linda & Mick Ellis, Dormers, The Green, Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

Otley –Thursday 23rd at the home of, Geoffrey Mason, Foxgloves, Chapel Road 10am – 12

Clopton –Wednesday 15th at the Village Hall 10am – 12 noon

As a Ministry Team we share the responsibility for pastoral care. First point of contact is:

Ashbocking & Swilland–Catherine Beaumont- 01473 890264
Burgh, Boulge & Grundisburgh–Clare Sanders 01473 735183
Clopton & Otley –Jane Hall 01473 785251
Hasketon –Wendy Gourlay 01728 685335

What's On across the Carlford Benefice

1st Clopton Craft & Chat Morning 10.00-1.00pm at Village Hall

1st SWAPSHOP 10.15am Grundisburgh Parish Room

1st Carlford Network Group Communion G Church 2.30pm – all welcome

1st Compline at Burgh 7.30pm

2nd Maundy Thursday at Otley 7.00pm – see details elsewhere

3rd An Hour at the Cross at Hasketon 2.00pm

3rd Messy Church Otley and Grundisburgh Church 10.00-11.30am for children and their families

3rd Ashbocking Coffee Morning at Linda & Mick Ellis, Dormers, The Green IP6 9JS 10.30am – 12 noon

4th Grundisburgh Coffee Morning Parish Room 10.30am

7th Coffee & Crafts (formerly Needles & Natter) 10.00-12noon Shrubbery Farm, **Hasketon**

10th Hasketon 2nd Friday Meeting Victory Hall 7.15 William Tyler Churchill-A Study in Leadership

12th Baptism of Matthew Sim 2.00pm Grundisburgh Church.

13th Knit and Stitch Burgh Schoolroom 10.30am – 12 30. All welcome. Details 01473 735 544

13th Prayer Group meet at Meadowside - home of Liz Parker at 6.30pm

13th Monday House Group 7.30pm

15th Clopton Coffee Morning at Clopton Village Hall 10.00am – 12 noon

16th Bridge Burgh Schoolroom 7.15pm All levels, tuition available 01473 735 544

18th Baptism of Luke Skingsley at Burgh church 12.00

19th APCM at Boulge after 11.00am service

20th Beyond Alpha The group's eighth run See details elsewhere

23rd Otley Coffee Morning at Geoffrey Mason's, Foxgloves, Chapel Road 10.00-12.00

23rd Hasketon Community Lunch 12.15pm Hasketon Victory Hall

23rd Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks – Toddler group for children and carers 2.30pm-3.15pm

23rd Burgh Soup Lunch – See details elsewhere

26th Grundisburgh APCM as part of the 11.00am service

26th Otley APCM 6.00pm in Otley Church

27th Hasketon APCM in the village hall at 7.00pm

28th Burgh APCM in the Schoolroom at 7.00pm

MAY

3rd Reading of The Ruba'iyat of Omar Khayya'm See details elsewhere

10th -16th Christian Aid Week See details elsewhere



Holy Week

In this most holy of weeks- we offer you an opportunity to reflect upon the story of Christ's passion and so prepare for Easter.

Wednesday April 1st 7.30pm in Burgh Church
Compline and the story of the soldier

Thursday April 2nd 7.00pm in Otley
*Travel through Holy Week
from Palm Sunday through to the tomb
and sharing in the Last Supper*

Friday April 3rd 10.00am- 11.30am
Messy Church in Otley and Grundisburgh

2.00-3.00pm

An Hour at the Cross in Hasketon

Easter Day

Clopton

Sunrise Service and then
Holy Communion at 8.00am

Grundisburgh

Holy Communion at 8.00am

Burgh

Holy Com. and Baptisms at 9.30am

Hasketon

Holy Communion at 9.30am
Easter Egg Hunt to follow

Swilland

Holy Communion at 9.30am

Boulge

Holy Communion at 11.00am

Ashbocking

Family Service & Holy Communion at 11.00

Grundisburgh

Family Service & Holy Communion at
11.00am. Easter Egg Hunt to follow.

Otley

Family Service with Holy Communion
and Baptism at 11.00am



Messy Church

Share The Story Of Easter

Lots Of Things To Do

Bring Mum, Dad, Gran, Grandad, Aunt & Uncle

For Children And Their Families

Otley Church & Grundisburgh Church

**Good Friday 3rd April
10.00am-11.30am**

It's



Help the poor
help themselves

For most of us, dealing with the
sad stories that arrive daily through
the media can be hard and
frustrating; particularly those
about people who lack the basic
facilities that we take for granted.

We are left with a deep sense of powerlessness and inertia.

Christian Aid week is a time when we can redress this.

It provides us with an opportunity to support programmes
which include providing people with access to clean water,
challenging child marriage, funding education and supporting
the production of nourishing food.

Christian Aid week is 10 – 16th May. If you would like to help
with the distribution and collection of envelopes please

Call: in Grundisburgh Nicky Seabrook on 01473 735 131
in Otley Nigel Crowley on 01473 890 546

Craft & Chat in Clopton

Wednesday 1st April

10.00-1.00pm at Village Hall All Welcome

For info. Contact: Doris Main 01473 737 602

Suffolk Inter-Faith Resource

Present the Rt Revd Charles Mugleston

Reading of the delightful poetic Masterpiece

The Ruba'iyat of Omar Khayya'm

St Michael and All Angels Church

Boulge. IP13 6BW

Sunday 3rd May 3:00 PM

Free Entry and Refreshments

Donations To Church Funds Gratefully Received

'Beyond Alpha' – Spring 2015

What does the Bible really say about . . . ?

The eighth run of this highly successful group which gives us the opportunity to discuss more areas of Christian Faith at five meetings held at BURGH SCHOOLROOM, 10.30 – 12.00

Sessions are fortnightly on Monday April 20th; May 4th & 18th; June 1st & 15th

The meetings will be facilitated by Revd Wendy Gourlay. Tea and coffee will be available and a warm welcome to all. A small charge of £1 per session covers costs.

The 'Beyond Alpha Group' will consider What does the Bible really say about

Session 1 – April 20th

A Biblical Belief – Light – What does the symbol of light signify in scripture and Christian worship? What is the Shekinah light? How is light associated with angels?

References: Genesis 1:3-5; Exodus 40: 34-34; 1John 1:5; Revelation 21:23; Matthew 28:3; Luke 24:4; James 1:17; 2Corinthians 11:14; John 8:12; 1Peter 2:9; Matthew 5:14-16; Ephesians 5:8-14

Session 2 – May 4th

A Biblical Location – Jericho

Session 3 – May 18th

A 'SMALL' book of the Bible – Joel

Session 4 – June 1st

A Biblical event – Jesus' last week in Jerusalem

Session 5 – June 15th

Biblical characters – Godly Women of influence and role model

Haven't been along yet, then why not join us this Spring 2015?

Enquiries: Paul on: 01473 738474 or
paulwiffen222@btinternet.com



Fairtrade Stalls In Grundisburgh

1st Sat Coffee Morning 10.30 Parish Room

1st & 2nd Sunday at 12.00 in St. Mary's

Chocolate Cleaning Materials Grocery

Greetings Cards Socks Gifts

Catalogues in St. Mary's

For info contact Pat Fletcher 01473 735 775

Thank you for supporting Fairtrade

Coffee and Crafts

(formerly Needles and Natter)

Shrubbery Farm, Hasketon

10.00am – 12.00 Tuesday 7th April

Bring your latest project to share or show

2ND FRIDAYS AT

HASKETON VICTORY HALL IN 2015

You are very welcome to join us on the second Friday of most months for Ploughman's Supper followed by a talk, or some other entertainment.

We start at 7.15pm and entrance is £5 each.

April 10th

Our speaker will be William Tyler

Churchill

A Study in Leadership

Please let **Katherine Smith – 01473 735579** know by the previous Wednesday if you wish to come, but pay on the door.

Holiday Cottage

Do you have? Do you know of?

A holiday cottage that could be rented by the family of Monica. Who many of you will know of as the seller of The Big Issue in Woodbridge.

Please contact Nicky Seabrook 01473 735 131

SOUP LUNCH

Burgh Schoolroom Burgh IP13 6QA

SATURDAY 25TH APRIL 12.00 – 1.30

Homemade soups served with rustic bread £3.00

Dessert £1.50 Free tea or coffee