

The Grapevine

News for the parishes of the Carlford Benefice

February 2015

What do we do after we finish eating the pancakes?

At the beginning of Lent many of us jump from the most uniquely English celebration – the pancake race – to planning to see Grandma and collect an Easter egg. My favourite egg – the Crème egg appeared in early January just as I was starting my annual diet. After Christmas we now ask when it will be time to visit the garden centre.

There are forty days in between Ash Wednesday and Easter day and the challenge of giving up life's little luxuries gets a bad press. The idea is that fasting, study and pilgrimage are all a bit sad and unnecessary in a new century.

Why not rediscover Lent? My guess is that I will rediscover the ache of the heart that tells me to turn from what I am doing to the joy of coming closer to God. I have seen medicine rediscover that fasting is good for the body and the mind. Psychologists rediscover the importance of repentance, meditation and prayer in emotional health .

A Jesuit Jon Sobrino claimed '*Lent is not merely a Church affair, or even just a Christian affair. It is a human affair. And if we do not celebrate it, this is because something is wrong with us.*

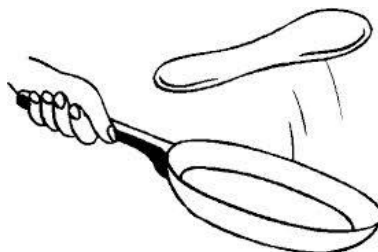
Against a background where advertising skips from January sales to summer holidays the Christian Church asks its members to take time to prepare for Easter .I know I need to take time to think, to study ,to listen, to repent and to pray.

Why not take time to put aside the habits, thoughts and misunderstandings which get in the way of your walk with God and your neighbour? Lent can be a spring clean for the heart '*a time for losing; a time for keeping*' (Ecclesiastes 3:6)

I can hear my mind saying – get real you are too busy to set aside time for introspection and prayer .Experience and the literature on stress tells me that contemplation, study, listening , repentance and prayer is not time wasted.

Why not take time to celebrate Lent this year? Remember the six Sundays are feast days.

Bill Herbert



Services across the Carlford Benefice

February 1st Candlemas

Mal 3:1-5, Heb 2:14-end, Lk 2:22-40, Ps 24 7-end

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Family Service	Hasketon	WG
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	CB
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	WG
11.00am	Christingle	Grundisburgh	CS
11.00am	Family Service and Parade	Otley	JaneH

February 8th 2nd Before Lent

Prov 8:1,22-31, Col 1:15-20, Jn 1:1-14, Ps 104:26-37

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion-Thamaniya	Clopton	CS
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Hasketon	JW
11.00am	Candlemas and Celebrating Light	Ashbocking	CB
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Boulge	Lay Led
11.00am	Parish Eucharist	Grundisburgh	CS

February 15th Sunday Before Lent

2 Kgs 2:1-12, 2 Cor 4:3-6, Mk 9:2-9, Ps 50:1-6

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	FW
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Burgh	WG
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Lay Led
9.30am	Holy Communion	Otley	FW/JaneH
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	JamesH
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Grundisburgh	BH
11.00am	Family Service	Swilland	WG

February 22nd 1st Sunday of Lent

Gen 9:8-17, 1 Pet 3:18-22, Mk 1:9-15, Ps 25:1-9

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Burgh	RP
9.30am	Family Communion	Hasketon	CS
11.00am	Family Service	Clopton	JaneH
11.00am	Family Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
4.30pm	Evening Prayers-Lavender House	Otley	JaneH/JamesH

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)

Other Services in February

February 2nd	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am
February 4th	Holy Communion BCP	Grundisburgh	9.30am
February 18 th	Holy Communion with	Hasketon	9.30am
Ash Wednesday	imposition of ashes	Otley	
	Holy Communion with	Grundisburgh	7.00pm
	imposition of ashes		

"Come & Celebrate Candlemas & Christingle"

at The Otley Family Service & Church Parade

11 am on Sunday 1st Feb

We will be thinking about belonging together & baptism

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Hasketon celebrates Mothering Sunday in style

Please make a special note in your diary to keep free

3.30 pm on March 15th

to celebrate Mothering Sunday with song and food.

Look out for further details.

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

Ashbocking –Catherine Beaumont- 01473 890264

Burgh, Boulge & Grundisburgh–Clare Sanders

01473 735183 **Clopton, Otley & Swilland** –Jane

Hall 01473 785251 **Hasketon** –Wendy Gourlay

01728 685335

What's On across the Carlford Benefice

February:-

4th 10.15am – 11.30am **SWAPSHOP** – see details elsewhere

4th 7.30pm **Churchwardens meet** with Ministry Team in Grundisburgh Parish Room

6th Ashbocking Coffee Morning 10.30am – 12noon– see details elsewhere

6th Friends of Burgh School Room Quiz 7.30pm

Come on your own, in pairs or in a team. To book ring Sally 01473 738877 or Anne 01473 735544

7th 10.30am-12.00noon **Grundisburgh Coffee Morning** – see details elsewhere

9th Knit & Stitch Burgh Schoolroom 10.30am. All welcome, bring a project or just pop in for a coffee/chat

9th 6.30pm **Prayer Group**, Meadowside, Woodbridge Rd, Grundisburgh

9th Monday House Group 7.30pm – see details elsewhere

9th Exploring Confirmation Group 7.30pm – 9.30pm – See details elsewhere

10th 2.00pm **Boulge PCC**

10th 7.30pm **Grundisburgh, Hasketon and Burgh PCCs** meet at Grundisburgh School

12th Tiddlywinks Toddler Group meet in Grundisburgh Parish Room 2.30pm – 3.15pm

13th 2nd Friday Meeting 7.15pm – see details elsewhere

18th Clopton Coffee Morning 10.00am – 12 noon – see details elsewhere

19th Ladies Unlimited Theatre Trip Contact Vanessa Barker 07931707494 or Sandra Green 07788863004

19th Bridge Burgh Schoolroom 7.15pm All levels welcome, including beginners

23rd 6.30pm **Prayer Group** Meadowside, Woodbridge Rd, Grundisburgh

23rd 7.30pm **Pilgrim** – see details elsewhere

23rd Exploring Confirmation Group 7.30pm – 9.30pm – See details elsewhere

26th 10.00am – 12 noon **Otley Coffee Morning** – see details elsewhere

26th Hasketon Community Lunch 12.15pm – See details elsewhere

26th Tiddlywinks Toddler Group meet in Grundisburgh Parish Room 2.30pm – 3.15pm

26th 7.30pm **COSA PCCC** meet in Clopton Village Hall

27th 10.00am **Pilgrim** – see details elsewhere



FANCY A COFFEE?



We have opportunities, throughout December, at
Grundisburgh –Wednesday 4th at 10.15am-11.30am and Saturday 7th 10.30am – 12 noon at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Ashbocking –Friday 6th at the home of Adine and Kevin Schrankel at 50 Church Lane, Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

Otley –Thursday 26th at the home of, Philip and Betty David of 15 Spring Park, Otley 10.00am – 12 noon

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



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

Cards Chocolate Socks Gifts

Catalogues in St. Mary's

For info contact Pat Fletcher 01473 735 775

Thank you for supporting Fairtrade

ASH WEDNESDAY

Morning services in
Otley and Hasketon at 9.30am

Evening Service in
Grundisburgh at 7.00pm

Monday House Group

We shall meet at 7.30pm and
consider the significance of:-

9th February – Deborah
9th March – Priscilla

New members would
be most welcome, so come along.
Contact Robert Fletcher **01473 735 775**

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.

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

February 13th - Vietnam

A War, A Country, A People.

An illustrated talk by Trevor and Hilary Hill.

GRUNDISBURGH FLOWERS

Thank You very much to all those who donated
flowers, money and time to make our church look so
lovely at Christmas



HASKETON COMMUNITY LUNCH

This takes place on the
4th Thursday each month,

12.15pm at **Hasketon Victory Hall**.

For £6 you will enjoy a hot 2-course meal
plus coffee and the opportunity to meet up
with local residents from Hasketon
and surrounding villages.

If you are interested in coming along, please book your
place by the Monday before with
Claire Harrington Tel **01394 380644**

LENT HAPPENINGS

Pilgrim Lent Group

7.30pm 63 Gurdon Rd, Grundisburgh on Monday
mornings starting February 23rd, March 2nd, 9th,
16th, 23rd and 30th exploring The Lord's Prayer.

Also on Friday mornings 10.00-11.30am at the
home of Mary Bean, 6 Alice Driver Rd –
Grundisburgh- beginning February 27th.

"Walk and Pray"

A new Lenten activity- a morning of journeying on
pilgrimage – visiting churches in the benefice- with
opportunities to walk and talk and pray. Led by Clare

March 3rd departing from Grundisburgh at 9.30am
and walking to Burgh- for prayer – then journeying
on to Hasketon- for further time of prayer.

March 19th departing from Ashbocking at 9.30am
and walking to Swilland for prayer- then journeying
on to Otley- for a further time of prayer.

Bring a packed lunch- drinks will be provided.
Help with lifts at the end of each morning would be
much appreciated.

"Wine, Women & Wisdom"

You are invited to join us at The White Hart Otley
For informal Table Talk to explore the meaning of
Easter. We will meet from 8pm on

Tuesdays 3rd, 10th, 24th & 31st March

"Something to Chew Over!"

Table Talk

A fun way to chat, question and explore thoughts
about Easter, over a light meal of soup and roll.

7 pm – 8.30 pm

Tuesdays

3rd March, 10th March, 17th March, 24th March

Venue: Curtesy of Anne Naylor and Giles Craggs

Oak House, Pinners Lane, Hasketon, IP13 6HN

Plenty space for safe off-road parking

Please telephone for further information

Anne 01473 738945 or Wendy 01728 685335



Lent Lunches in Hasketon

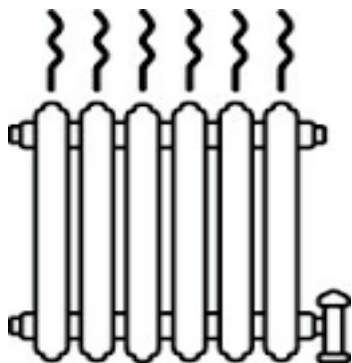
During March: Venues to be arranged.

There will be one or two occasions for sharing
company and hospitality over delicious home-made
soup and rolls. Please keep an eye open for notices.

WINTER WARMERS

During February and March
9.30am Communion services at
Clopton will be held in Doris' home
at Thamaniya, Shop Road, Clopton

Evening Prayers in Otley will be brought
forward to 4.30pm and held at the home of
David and Tess Papworth of Lavender House



Grundisburgh Parish Rooms



Swap Shop February 4th
10.15am – 11.30am

Over a drink of tea or coffee an
opportunity to swap stories, news, toys,
veg, fruit, flowers, books,
recipes, cakes etc

Christingle

Celebrate Christingle and Candlemas
Family Service

February 1st at 11.00am
Grundisburgh Church

Grannies and Grandads are especially invited
to join us – as we tell the story of Simeon
and Anna and the baby Jesus.



Fairtrade Fortnight 2015
23 February - 8 March
Changing lives for the better



Fairtrade Coffee Morning
10.30 7 March 2015
Grundisburgh Parish Room

BURGH

The Festival of Wreaths held at St Botolph's
Church, Burgh in November, caused great interest
and many kind remarks. An amount of
£1158.32 towards the Fabric Fund of the Church.

The Burgh "Booze Up" (Mulled Wine Evening) was
thoroughly enjoyed by many Burgh residents of all
ages. A BBQ in summer has been proposed for
village residents.

Thank you to all who supported these events

Exploring Confirmation Group

There will be an Exploring Confirmation group
for all who may be interested led by the
Rev'd Catherine Beaumont, starting in January.
Everyone is welcome.

We are being hosted by John and Linda Pollard,
at Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking.

The dates of the evenings are:
all Mondays,
February 9 and 23, March 9 and 23, April 13 and 27
and they run from 7.30 to 9.30pm.

The confirmation will be in late May.
Please call Catherine with any questions on
07801 342336 or email her on
Catherine.beaumont@otleyhall.co.uk