

OUTLOOK

December 2017



ACLE & BURE TO YARE BENEFICE

*Parishes of Reedham : Freethorpe : Wickhampton
Limpenhoe, Southwood & Cantley : Halvergate with Tunstall
together with Acle & Beighton with Moulton*

From the (Reedham) Rectory

The year is moving on again and it is at this time of year that we stop to reflect on the past. There were several Remembrance Day Services in the Benefice and each year it is a moment in time when we gather together to remember the fallen. I was at Halvergate Memorial this year and, despite the rain, which appeared at 11.00am, it felt absolutely right to be standing silently for two minutes as a tribute to those who fought and died for our freedom.

Remembrance Sunday marks the turn of the year and we are truly in autumn now. 2017 has been the warmest year on record and this year our autumn is very gold and yellow and beautiful. We are moving into the busiest time of the Church year now and we will soon be singing Carols. Already Christmas has been with us in the shops and on the TV for some weeks. There are lots of services and plenty of opportunity to join us at some time in December to sing or to enjoy the choir.

In Reedham there will be Carols at the Station on 15th and Carols at the Vikings Club on the 22nd. On Sunday 17th at 11.00am at Freethorpe Church Bishop Alan is coming along to dedicate the amazing new altar kneelers in the Church and there is a buffet lunch to follow. On Monday the 18th there is a Dickensian Carol Service at Acle Church. On the 20th there is a special Carol service with the Benefice Choir at Reedham Church in the evening. We will also be singing carols at The Rampant Horse in Freethorpe on the 21st December. There are also Christingle Services and the special Crib Service at Reedham on Christmas Eve when the Posada will return and every child will be able to search and find something very special to take home.

There are other Christmas services too which are listed in the magazine but, as we rush around in the Church preparing all these services, in between doing our Christmas shopping and preparing for the festivities, we feel that it is the one of the best seasons for us even though, at the end, we might be tired.

What we are doing, what I am doing, is holding on to the true spirit of Christmas. It is lovely to see the adverts – the John Lewis monster is especially sweet – and it is excellent to see the shops full of amazing gifts and colour and brightness, but most of all this season, this festival, is about Jesus Christ and his birth. He came into the world as a helpless child but 2000 and more years later more people each year come to believe in him and in what he came to do. He came as the Prince of Peace to teach us to love one another and live in peace and freedom with one another.

I hope you make one or more of the Carol Services and enjoy them. I hope you have a happy Christmas holiday and I hope that, during the festivities you find a moment to remember the Christ child because he also died for us and he died to give us freedom.

Lorna

Parish Registers

Funeral

On 10th November, Jocelyn Stewart aged 62 of Reedham at Great Yarmouth Crematorium

We offer our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Jocelyn on their loss.

Cantley Station Awards 2017

Friends of Cantley Station (FOCUS) have received two awards this year. Earlier in the year we entered the ACoRP Community Rail Awards in the "It's Your Station" section sponsored by ScotRail. In August we met the judges from ACoRP and the RHS when they came to judge our station. In October Robert attended the Award ceremony in Derby. We received a silver certificate (last year it was bronze.)

Also in October we received "Highly Commended" in the Best Adopter Group section at the Greater Anglia Station Adopter Award ceremony in Ipswich.

Both certificates can be seen on Cantley Station.

Robert Beadle

Reedham Village Walk - Wednesday 27th December 2017

Please join us for another Village Walk to show continued support for the reopening of the Permissive Footpath. Our Parish Council have been working very hard on this and progress is being made. They are being actively supported by Broadland District Council and Norfolk County Council. It is now anticipated that the footpath will reopen next year which once again will be a great asset to Reedham.

The Walk on this occasion will be hosted by The Ship from where the Walk will start. Meet time I am returning to The Ship for light refreshments.

We look forward to seeing you, your families and friends there.

Pat Bagshaw

New for the New Year

Are you busy with Christmas preparations at the moment, but know you want to try something new in the New Year? Are you interested in the theatre and plays of all kinds, but definitely don't want to go on stage? If you are, do join us to read and enjoy plays together. We meet on the second Thursday of the month, from 2pm to 4pm. For further details, phone Elaine or Audrey on 01493 700717.

Reedham Community Association

Join us for our Christmas Fayre from 1-3:30 on the 3rd December at Reedham Village Hall with craft and gift stalls, why not start your Christmas shopping nice and early, Cards, gifts, games, crafts, decorations, festive bakes and confectionery and Santa's grotto. It's going to be great! Refreshments available.

Want a stall please contact through our website only £7 thank you, look forward to seeing you all there!

Christmas quiz raising money for the light and sound. Teams maximum of 6. £2 each includes nibbles in the break. Book table on 01493 701107

Prize Christmas Bingo on Monday 18th December at 7:30pm. Entry costs £10 (included a raffle tickets). Extra prizes for Christmas Bingo.

Brewery Open Weekend

Humpty Dumpty Brewery will be hosting their annual Christmas Open Weekend on Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd December from 12 - 5pm. An opportunity to tour the brewery, taste some of their regular and seasonal beers and do some Christmas shopping. There will be music and a BBQ, all profits will go to local charities, including Freethorpe Community First Responders. Tel: 01493 701818 <http://www.humptydumptybrewery.co.uk>

Cantley and District W.I.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th December at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall. This will be our Christmas party so no speaker. We will be having mulled wine, party food, entertaining games and a thoroughly enjoyable time. New members always very welcome. For more information contact Connie on 01493 700396

Save the Children Christmas Card Sale

A very big thank you to all who supported this
 Takings were fantastic at £830.18 which included very generous donations of £177.73.
 Obviously this is not all profit as the cards have to be purchased but the mark up is quite a lot. Thank you all so much. A special thank you to Norma Roe on the 'Till'.

If you missed it there is a chance to buy Save the Children Cards at the Original Christmas Card shop which is in St Stephens (no15) opposite Lakelands and next to Sainsbury's until 15th December.

Pam and Nick Butcher

Over Fifties Club & Lottery News

Well, this has been quite a month for us at the club. First, our bingo lottery was won on Nov.11th by Peter Horsley, who scooped the Jackpot of £360.00. Peter was very pleased, to say the least. So, for the people now waiting to join, your numbers will be in from Nov 18th. This game ran for 8 weeks. Anyone wishing to join just contact me on 07585504199; cost is £1.00 per week. You don't have to do anything; your numbers are checked every week. You have to be in it to win it!!! Just think, if you join it could be you collecting the jackpot next time. Thank you to everyone that supports this, you help the older residents of Reedham to have a club, and if you live alone this is somewhere to come and share things with your friends. You are never alone if you join us!!

The Over Fifties club is now going from strength to strength, and has welcomed new members from Cantley, Beighton, Wickhampton and Reedham. We held a Halloween afternoon with a buffet which was provided by the Committee plus Peggy & Jean. A splendid Halloween cake was provided by Linda. Our members dressed up in Halloween attire and Jean and Joe even wore capes. A wonderful effort by all members made this an outstanding afternoon with fun and lots of laughter. Whichever village you live in you are quite welcome to join us every Tuesday at 1.45pm in Reedham Village Hall. Refreshments are served and

you will make new friends as well as perhaps recognising old friends. Do come along.

We are now looking forward to our Christmas party on Dec 5th and our lunch at Acle Bridge on Dec 12th; both these events are free to the members. We have this year had three coach trips, one of which was paid for by the club and the people unable to go on that trip had a free fish & chip lunch at Cantley Cock.

Remember the more members we have the more we can do.

We are looking forward to 2018 where there could be even more surprises for our club members so come and join us NOW!!!!

Angie Woolsey Secretary/Treasurer

Mapping Advent

The rich themes of Advent easily get buried in the over-eager rush to Christmas. Come and explore some of them with Acle Churches Together, through a weekly hour of prayer, Biblical reflection, art, poetry and music, using a resource written by Susanna Gunner, Chaplain to the Bishop of Norwich. 4.00pm, Fridays 1st – 22nd December at Acle Methodist Church. Please let the Martin know you are coming and he will reserve a copy of the maps for you (£2).

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Reedham Gardening Club

We need to make sure our tender plants such as geraniums and non-hardy fuchsias are protected from frost by bringing indoors. Meanwhile perhaps we can encourage friends to take an interest by giving Christmas presents of Garden Centre vouchers, garden gloves or seeds. Outdoor planters of heathers, ivies and shrubs are always welcome and do not need much attention apart from an occasional drop of water.

As we clear Winter vegetables, we can dig the soil, so the frost breaks it down ready for Spring planting.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Reedham Charity: Open the Book (The Bible Society)

Friday 1st 9.30am First Friday Morning Prayer – Wickhampton
4.00pm Mapping Advent – Acle Methodist Church

Saturday 2nd – 3rd 12 – 5pm Humpty Dumpty Brewery Open Weekend
8.00pm Quiz Night – Reedham Vikings

SUNDAY 3rd ADVENT SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
9.30am Holy Communion – Beighton
9.30am Matins - Halvergate
11.00am Holy Communion – Acle
11.00am Carol Service – Freethorpe Village Hall
4.00pm Christingle with First@4/Messy Church - Reedham
1.00pm Reedham Christmas Fayre – Reedham Village Hall

Monday 4th 7.00pm Reedham Parish Council – Reedham Village Hall

Tuesday 5th 2.00pm Whist Drive – Cantley Village Hall
7.30pm Reedham & District W.I. – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 6th 7.30pm Women's Night Out Christmas Dinner

Friday 8th 4.00pm Mapping Advent – Acle Methodist Church

Saturday 9th 9.00am – 12.30pm Acle Farmers' Market – Parish Hall

SUNDAY 10th 2nd in ADVENT

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
9.30am Holy Communion – Wickhampton
11.00am Holy Communion – Acle
11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham
3.00pm Evening Prayer – Limpenhoe
4.30pm Christingle – Freethorpe
6.30pm Carol Service with Broadland Band – Cantley

Monday 11th 6.00pm Carol Service with Broadland Training Band – Beighton

Wednesday 13th 2.00pm Whist Drive – Reedham Village Hall
7.00pm Freethorpe School Carol Service – Halvergate
7.30pm Christmas Quiz – Reedham Village Hall

Thursday 14th OUTLOOK COPY DATE

2.15pm Reedham School Carol Service – Reedham
7.00pm Carols on the Green with Broadland Band (ACT)

- Friday 15th 4.00pm Mapping Advent – Acle Methodist Church
 6.00pm Carols at Reedham Station
 7.45pm Christmas Jumper Night – Reedham Vikings Club
- SUNDAY 17th 3rd in ADVENT
 9.30am Morning Prayer – Beighton
 11.00am Carol Service with Bishop Alan – Freethorpe
 2.30pm Carol Service – Limpenhoe
 4.00pm Carol Service – Wickhampton
 6.00pm Lessons and Carols – Halvergate
- Monday 18th 4.00pm Christingle – Cantley
 7.00pm Dickensian Carol Service – Acle
 7.30pm Christmas Bingo – Reedham Village Hall
- Tuesday 19th MOBILE LIBRARY DAY
 2.00pm Whist Drive – Cantley Village Hall
 8.00pm Carols at the Rampant Horse, Freethorpe
- Wednesday 20th 7.30pm Cantley W.I. – Cantley Village Hall
 7.30pm Carol Service with Procession – Reedham
 with the Acle & Bure to Yare Choir
- Thursday 21st 9.00am Farmers' Market Stalls (Xmas extra!) – Acle Parish Hall
- Friday 22nd 4.00pm Mapping Advent – Acle Methodist Church
 6.30pm Carols around the Tree & Grand Draw – Reedham
 Vikings
- SUNDAY 24th 4th in ADVENT - CHRISTMAS EVE
 9.30am Holy Communion - Limpenhoe
 4.00pm Christingle with St Edmund's Youth Orchestra – Acle
 4.00pm Crib Service – Reedham
 8.00pm First Communion of Christmas – Acle
 11.30pm Midnight Communion – Halvergate
- Monday 25th CHRISTMAS DAY
 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – Acle
 9.15am Roman Catholic Mass - Acle
 10.00am Christmas Family Service – Freethorpe
 11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

Wednesday 27th 11.00am Reedham Village Walk – starts The Ship

Sunday 31st 1st Sunday of Christmas
 9.00am Holy Communion – Acle
 10.30am Benefice Holy Communion - Reedham

Looking forward into January:-

SUNDAY 7th THE EPIPHANY
 8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
 9.30am Holy Communion – Beighton
 9.30am Matins - Halvergate
 11.00am Holy Communion – Acle
 11.00am Holy Communion – Freethorpe
 11.00am Morning Prayer (said) – Reedham

Weekly - Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am Music group in Reedham Village hall
 Tuesdays 1.45pm – Over Fifties Club, Glover Lounge, Reedham Village hall
 Wednesday 10.30am -12.30 noon - New Age Kurling in Reedham Village hall.
 Thursday 10am – 12 noon – Badminton Club, Reedham Village Hall
 Saturday 9.00am - 10.00am - Aerobics, Reedham Village Hall
 Sundays 6.30pm Meeting Reedham Gospel Hall

Mothers Union

We are organising gifts for St Martin's Trust this year as usual and would like to appeal to anyone happy to contribute to bring a small gift for lady or gentleman either to the Benefice Carol Service on Thursday 20th December at Reedham Church & place it under the tree there OR 'phone or call at Jean's, 35 Station Road, Reedham, (01493 701141) or Tess's, Barnfield, Chapel Road, Beighton (01493 751186). They will be much appreciated and distributed on Christmas Eve at the Norwich Christmas dinner for the homeless or hostel dwellers to brighten their Season.

Jean and Tess

Reedham Music Event

This was held on Saturday 11th November in aid of 'Children with Cancer UK'. Many thanks to everyone who supported this well worth while event, and thanks to anyone who donated Raffle Prizes. A grand total of £417 was raised and sent to the charity.

Barbara Greenwood

Reedham Station Carol Service

The adopters of Reedham Station are holding their Christmas Carol Service at the station on Friday 15th December at 6pm, led by Revd. Lorna Allies. Hopefully some of the children from Reedham School will be helping. The adopters will be serving mince

pies, sausage rolls and warmed mulled wine. Any donations of mince pies and sausage rolls will be most welcome.

Buckets will be going round after the carols in aid of the East Anglian Children's Hospice. We are looking forward to seeing you all once again.

Ann, Mike, Kate, Colin, Pauline and Mike

Reedham Parish Council – meeting Monday 2nd October

There were 9 Councillors present, the Clerk, District Councillor Grant Nurden and Chris Bradbury Chairman of the Village Hall. 4 members of the public were in attendance. Apologies were received from Councillor Thompson and County Councillor Iles. The Council meeting commenced at 7.30 pm

Broadland District Council has awarded the garden waste disposal contract to the joint venture company NEWS.

2 planning applications were considered: concerns were raised about the new documents submitted for the oil tank and mooring at Seven Mile House; an area affected by the ground raising contains plants that are not found elsewhere in East Norfolk. The office extension, new boat house and replacement of existing boathouse raised no objections.

There are several vacant plots on the allotments. Anyone interested please contact the Clerk or Paul Silverstone - 01493 701344. Allotment rents are due for the year. Please send to the Clerk - 31 Mill Lane, Acle, NR13 3BJ.

Confirmation has been received that the grant applications for the Permissive Path steps and bridge have been successful. Work on dredging the dyke and levelling the footpath should start in early November. Installation of the steps and bridge will begin once the dredged soil has dried out.

Mr David Hale was co-opted on to the Parish Council.

Meeting held on Monday 6th November 2017 at Reedham Village Hall

There were 9 Councillors present, the Clerk, County Councillor Brian Iles and Chris Bradbury Chairman of the Village Hall. 5 members of the public were in attendance plus Mr M Thompson from Small Fish and Mr J Parker from Parker Planning Services. Apologies were received from Councillor Hale. The Council meeting commenced at 7.30 pm

Councillor Paul Silverstone resigned from the Council during the month. Appreciation for his commitment to the Council was expressed and thanks were given for his work in setting up and managing the allotments.

Norfolk County Council will be consulting on the next budget allocation. County Councillor Iles urged residents to respond to the consultation in order that local priorities can be taken into account.

County Councillor Iles also confirmed he has authorised the release of £2,000 from his budget to go towards the reopening of the Permissive Path.

The Chairman of the Village Hall Committee Chris Bradbury provided the following report: Children have been climbing on the roof of the pavilion and have broken some roof tiles, and have broken a paving slab at the entrance. Fund raising: the cash bingo jackpot stands at £230 in 53 numbers or less. Bonfire night was once again very well supported, no figure yet

on the amount raised. The next film showing will be in the New Year. There will be a 50/50 auction on the 18th November. A Christmas Fayre is to be held on the 3rd December, 1 till 3:30 pm, and the next quiz is a Christmas Quiz on the 13th December at 7:30 pm.

There will be a third Village Walk to raise funds for the Permissive Path on Wednesday 27th December from the Ship at 11 am.

A Heritage Lottery Fund application for the Broads Authority has been successful and £80,000 of this will be spent on an archaeological and geo-diversity project in Reedham & surrounds through to 2021.

No planning applications were received.

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Work on dredging the dyke and levelling the Permissive Footpath should be completed by the end of November following the removal of the fence.

The Council had a presentation on the process of a Neighbourhood Plan.

It was agreed to purchase a moveable speed sensor with 6 sites round the village being identified for where it could be located - Freethorpe Road, Station Road, Riverside, Mill Road, Halvergate Road and New Town.

Pathfinder Puzzle

Starting at the 10th letter across on the 7th row down, move up, down or sideways (but NOT diagonally) to find the path through part of a Christmas Carol.

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Answers in next month's magazine.

Lyndsay Fisher

Reedham Vikings

Thank you to everyone who came to the Halloween Disco. A huge thank you also to everyone who either came or donated to our Wear it Pink night – it raised £81 for Breast Cancer Now.

Saturday December 2nd is Quiz Night – 8pm start £1 entry per person, maximum 6 in the team: Raffle: All welcome.

Friday 15th December – Christmas Jumper Night for Save the Children. Wear a Christmas Jumper and make a £1 donation – 7.45pm start.

Friday 22nd is our Grand Draw Night – 25p per square, many prizes to be won.

There will also be carols round the Christmas tree outside the Vikings at 6.30pm – all welcome!

Sunday 24th December we will be open from 7.45pm – come along for a great Christmas Eve.

Sunday 31st – Come along in Fancy Dress and let's see the New Year in together.

D Brister

Rejoice!

Even the quickest look at this month's Calendar will show a rich choice of Carol Services and other seasonal services in this area – but each one will be different and have a flavour of its own. There are the Christingles – celebrating the Light and Saviour of the World with the symbol of the orange, fruits, red band and candle. There are Carol Services – some outside, some in churches. The service at **Freethorpe on Sunday 17th** is a congregational service with our area **Bishop, Alan** – we hope the congregations of Acle and Reedham will join the Freethorpe Church for this celebration. Acle has its intriguingly named '**Dickensian Carol Service**' the following Monday with St Edmund's Primary School, and Reedham hosts a **Processional Carol Service** on Wednesday 20th, directed by Dr Michael Nicholas, formerly Master of the Music at Norwich Cathedral, with the Acle and Bure to Yare Benefice Choir. Acle has the First Communion of Christmas at 8pm, following the old custom of starting the Feast Day celebration at the evening, rather than making the break between days midnight as is customary now. (Evening time and Morning, the First Day – Genesis 1.) Halvergate starts their first Communion at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve, so the Consecration will fall just after midnight on 25th. There is then a Book of Common Prayer Celebration at 8am at Acle, with Mass at 9.15am for the Roman Catholic congregation, a Family friendly service at 10am at Freethorpe, and Holy Communion at 11.00am at Reedham. Do try to make it to at least one of these services, and share in the wonderful joy at the heart of Christmas.

Kati Cowen

Outlook and Lantern

Wishing all our readers a blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year! Many thanks for all your contributions and support. **Copy Date** for the January Magazine is early – 14th December – so we can enjoy our Xmas Puds. Outlook and Lantern are likely to combine from the February Magazine on – we hope you will all like the 'new' magazine, but more of that next month.

JO and KC

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