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That Coronavirus came at this particular point in the Church year has been significant for Christians. True, it severely impacted our Easter rituals (advised against distributing palm crosses; no outdoor Procession of the Cross, Easter Fire or Sunrise Service; no joyful Holy Communion on Easter Day); but it has prompted much reflection. The current restrictions began as we were about to enter Passiontide: when we recall the events leading up to Jesus' death on Good Friday. That God reveals himself in a Son who died on the cross means that suffering must have an important place in Christian faith. Although some have tried in the past, we don't on the whole attempt to explain the presence of suffering in the world, or seek to justify it; and we certainly don't wish it on anyone (although there may be circumstances in which we choose it for ourselves). But we do believe it is intrinsic to human experience; and we look for meaning emerging from suffering and believe good can come out of it (hence Good Friday).

This year we have been acutely aware of the suffering caused by the virus: in those who have contracted it and those around them; in those facing increased risks and stresses in their work or home life; in the economic effect on businesses, charities and individuals; through the restrictions we variously have to face; through anxiety. At times like this, we need a suffering God. But is there further meaning to be found? A good question for a couple who have gone through difficult times is to ask whether the experience weakened or strengthened their relationship? A similar question can be asked of people of faith: did the experience, for example, increase our trust in God, or make us more compassionate?

In a similar way we can ask whether we have grown in any way through coronavirus? Each of us will have our own answers, but I can anticipate some of the phrases that might figure: support; gratitude; community; volunteers; realising the value of things and people we usually take for granted or wouldn't normally notice; new skills gained (perhaps the fact that you're reading this on-line!). On a wider social scale there have been some dramatic developments: business without the mass-commute; homeless people taken off the streets; huge Government support; manufacturers re-purposing to make medical supplies.

The Church has now moved into Easter. Celebrations are certainly muted, but we can, no, must still know and proclaim that Christ is Risen: even as we hear daily of increasing numbers of deaths, that love is stronger than death and will ultimately have the last word.

But we can also look forward: to life beyond coronavirus (or at least with the 4. virus suppressed). It might be tempting to long for everything to go back to what it was – that’s very unlikely to be the case. But is that what we truly want? Easter is not about survival: it’s about death and resurrection. To take some of those examples: do we want to see those homeless people turfed back out onto the streets? Do we want to see that increased family time and flexibility given back up to traffic congestion? Do we want to see care- and shop-workers become invisible again? Or can we carry forward those things we have gained and learnt into a new future?

May the Risen Christ be with you,

Martin Greenland

Parish Registers

Funeral

We commend to God:-

Michael James Brook, aged 79, at St John the Baptist’s, Reedham on 21st April.

In accordance with current restrictions, the service was held in the churchyard, with only his wife and daughter able to attend. Many of us, however, were holding Mike’s family in our thoughts and prayers at this time.

Mike Brook

Many of you will have been saddened to hear of the death of Michael Brook, Churchwarden of Limpenhoe, from Covid 19 on 2nd April. He contributed much in his life to both the local community and church. As a Christian he was tremendously faithful; but combined his loyalty to his own parish and traditional worship with a recognition of the need to work together as a Benefice and to make space for new initiatives and people. We will miss him for all sorts of reasons; not least as a friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ann, daughter Rachel and her children. M.G.

Janet Webster

We are also mourning the loss of one of ‘Outlook’s regular contributors – Janet Webster, who wrote the Reedham Gardening Club notes each month, reminded us all of the Reedham Show (due to happen on Sunday 23rd August) and urged us to brush up our I.T. skills at the monthly Club at Reedham Village Hall. She will be much missed and our commiserations to her husband, Tony, family and many friends.

Mary Hanton

Another sad loss is Mary Hanton, for many years a staunch supporter of Cantley church and former Church Warden. Her funeral is expected to be on 7th May.

Rosemary Bedding

We were also deeply saddened to hear of the sudden death on Sunday 19th of Rosie Bedding, our wonderful church flower arranger at Reedham. Our sympathies to Donavon, Adam and their families, and all her many friends in and around Reedham and at Cantley Factory where she worked as Cook for many years. At present we do not have a date for her funeral.

Further Funerals

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In these difficult times, please also remember in your thoughts and prayers the families and friends of:-

Ivan Edward Carter whose funeral takes place on 23rd April at Wickhampton, **David John Dagnall**, whose funeral will be on 1st May at Gorleston, and **Rita Edith Alden**, also at Gorleston Crematorium on 4th May.

We wouldn't normally make death announcements or give dates of future funerals, but in these circumstances when communication is more difficult than usual, we thought it might be appropriate. Of course, it is likely that restrictions on the attendance at funerals will still be in place, so please respect the current guidance not to attend. There may be other bereavements in this area, but these are the ones we know of. Editors.

Cantley Flower Show 2020 (not just flowers!)

This year's Show is on Saturday 5th September at 2pm. The photographic subjects are; Trains, Sugar Factory, Weather, Birds, Portrait and Pets. There are lots of other classes to enter including Flowers, Handicraft, Fruit, Cookery, Vegetables, Flower arranging and Children's classes. Full details of how to enter are on our website at www.cantley.org/flowershow. Robert Beadle Chairman Cantley Flower Show 01493 701231.

At present we hope that the restrictions will not prevent the show going ahead this year. It does give most of us time at home to do handicraft or model making. For those with a garden or window box then there are flowers and veg to grow. Keep safe and we hope to see you in September.

Robert Beadle

Reedham Ringers in lock-down

The Reedham Ringers are missing our access to the tower and chance to ring the bells. We would love to provide a joyful sound in this difficult time, but sadly the church is locked. We look forward to the day that it will reopen, and even if we cannot ring as a band for some time because of social distancing, we have plans to chime as individuals once the church is able to unlock the doors.

In the meantime, you may have heard the bells ring out on Thursday evenings in recognition of the work being done by the NHS and other key workers. We were not breaking the rules! This is a recording of the Reedham bells made last year, and we decided to broadcast it at 8pm from various locations around the village as our contribution to the general clapping and clattering.

In the absence of church bells I am learning to ring handbells, and if there is anyone else in the village who either can ring handbells already or would like to try and learn to ring handbells, please do get in touch. You ring sitting down, no cold towers or steep stairs, the same patterns and methods as on "big bells", and whilst not so exciting, it is very rewarding. Currently, I am relying on a computer app, to learn the basic patterns but once we can mix more freely, the ringers do have access to a double octave set.

Mary Jones mpcjones@hotmail.co.uk

Cantley & District W.I.

The meetings for the Cantley & District W.I. have been cancelled for May. The June meeting will be reviewed later.

Jane Crossley

An update on All Saints Beighton.

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See back cover for photographs.

During March work continued on the roof repairs for All Saints. The north side was completed and the contractor was finishing off bits and pieces on the south as well as filling in the spaces between the ashlar posts (upright supports for the trusses at the top of the walls) with lathe and plaster. Mick Aldred the thatcher was able to get started in the second week. He has worked solidly and by the start of Holy Week had finished all the north Nave. At the beginning of Easter Week Mick was starting on the south side of the roof so good progress on that aspect of the project. Mick is working alone so no concerns about social distancing in the workplace. Sadly, due to the government guidelines, the contractor was beginning to find it increasingly difficult to access suppliers and so had to down tools for the time being. The next stage of the work will be on the improvements: installing the mains water, kitchenette and accessible toilet plus removing the front row of pew in the Nave and north Aisle. In order to get on with this the internal scaffolding needs to be taken down but the scaffolders are closed (at the time of writing). To install the water requires hiring equipment to mole dig a hole from the mains pipe on Church Hill under the pathway to the south west corner of the church where it will be connected to the kitchenette. Again, the company hiring out the equipment as also closed due to the lockdown. As the contract end date was set at 22 May, it was agreed with the contractor, architect and PCC to extend the completion date to 25 September to give enough time for lifting government restrictions and work to be resumed once again. It's quite possible things will be finished well before then but we are erring on the side of caution. Meanwhile, enjoy the photos showing progress on the thatching.

Kate Ashcroft

The St Edmund's Acle : Thatch Project Update

Clearly it is extremely difficult to raise funds in these trying times. However we are very grateful indeed and delighted that we have been awarded a grant of £3,000 by the Norfolk Churches Trust. This means that we have rather more than half of the £40,000 required either in the bank or been promised, which given the circumstances is pretty remarkable. We have applied for other grants and are waiting to hear if we have been successful. Hopefully we will know more in a couple of months. Donations of any size are always welcome and may be made either by cheques (payable "Acle PCC") to me or the Rector or indeed online: www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/SECA-roof-thatching-appeal We must try to get this work done before next winter if it is at all possible. With many thanks.

Rodney Edrich

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Reedham COVID19 Team

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A few local people decided to form a help group prior to the announcement of the lockdown. We realised that a number of older residents were voluntarily staying indoors and that they did not necessarily have family close by. We thought that we should be ready to help them if the present health crisis persisted, without waiting for the government to give instructions or for the NHS to organise its own army of volunteers. If things were kept local then we could be more flexible in providing help rather than wait for referrals. Over 60 villagers have volunteered to help with delivering shopping/collecting prescriptions/walking dogs/offering lifts to hospital appointments etc. This is exactly the same services as offered by the NHS volunteer army, but organised at a much more local level. Anyone who is self-isolating, for whatever reason, can ask for help by emailing reedhamcovid19helpers@outlook.com. We will then try to link them up with a neighbour who is able to lend a friendly hand. If anyone is feeling particularly isolated, perhaps because they do not have family or friends who are in regular contact, then we can match you with a volunteer who is happy to phone up for a chat. Often these volunteers are self-isolating themselves, and would enjoy a bit of a natter! If you need help, or you want to help, then please get in touch. Reedham has a strong community spirit, and together we will support each other through this difficult time. We have a Facebook group where you can get up to date information ([reedhamcovid19team](https://www.facebook.com/reedhamcovid19team)) or you can contact Diana (07799506809), Mary (01493 701388), Lesley (07843248865) or Tina (07976275032) for more information.

Mary Jones

Norfolk Community Foundation – see article in full on <https://dmtrk.net/1QF2-6U29U-B0NTRVN9BD/cr.aspx>

Covid-19 Local Resilience Fund is now open

Expressions of Interest are invited from charitable organisations in the county able to evidence their potential to alleviate specific needs/ gaps directly resulting from the Covid-19 pandemic, as identified by the Local Resilience Forum.

Proposals are invited from charitable organisations able to deliver impact in one or more of the following priority areas in response to the Covid-19 pandemic:

- support and services for homeless and rough sleepers to increase access to safe accommodation, including provision for self-isolation
- actions to reduce acute isolation of older people, and those facing particular challenges in self-isolation due to disability, serious health condition or special needs
- support for those affected by domestic violence and other safeguarding issues in the home as a result of self-isolation

- building networks/ connecting supply chains to ensure food and household essentials are readily and locally available to the most vulnerable
- access to specialist financial/ legal advice for those in crisis due to loss of income, unemployment, debt and/ or change in family circumstances during the pandemic
- specialist counselling/ support provision for those affected by bereavement

Grants of up to **£10,000** are available to support projects that clearly meet one or more of the above priorities. Larger grants of up to **£25,000** may be considered for exceptional projects bringing together multiple partner organisations in a strategic response programme to deliver significant targeted impact and/ or broad geographical reach.

Find out more and apply online at www.norfolkfoundation.com/funding-support/grants/groups/covid-19-local-resilience-fund/

If you are seeking a small grant to enable urgent and immediate community action to connect vulnerable people to the essential support they need please

see www.norfolkfoundation.com/funding-support/grants/groups/covid-19-community-response-fund/

Getting in touch

The NCF team are now working remotely, so please direct grants enquiries to grants@norfolkfoundation.com if you can, to help us respond quickly.

If that means you need to postpone or re-design your work, we aim to support you to do that in the most appropriate way - that includes extending the period that your funding is available to you, or agreeing an alternative use for your grant to meet the most urgent needs. Read our full statement on our Covid-19 response at www.norfolkfoundation.com/funding-support/

News and opportunities offered by other organisations that can benefit Norfolk charities - please contact the provider direct to find out more:

Support from the government

Charities across the UK will receive a £750 million package of support to ensure they can continue their vital work during the coronavirus outbreak, announced 8 April. The fund will target frontline charities across the UK – including hospices and those supporting domestic abuse victims.

For full details see www.gov.uk/government/news/chancellor-sets-out-extra-750-million-coronavirus-funding-for-frontline-charities

Covid-19 Emergency Surplus Food Grant

WRAP have funding available to support registered charities and non profit organisations involved in the distribution of food. There are two funding pots available depending on the size of organisation:

Micro to small

The aim of the grant is to provide vital financial support to small not-for-profit (NFP) organisations who can redistribute surplus food from the likes of retailers, wholesalers, and food manufacturers, to people in need or those considered vulnerable.

This £1 million grant scheme is open to micro-to-small sized NFP operations that currently operate food redistribution activity. Eligible applicants may apply for grants of between £5,000 and £10,000. The grant may be used to fund eligible capital and revenue costs.

The grant can provide funding support to help deal with any increased demand and capacity issues, additional resource, or costs for transporting the surplus food from the food business to a charity or end beneficiary. It is unable to fund kitchens/facilities for meal preparations, cooking, or onward giving of food through the likes of community stores, breakfast clubs, and soup kitchens.

Grants are being awarded on a 'first come, first served' basis. The deadline of 4 June 2020, 1pm is for guidance and the fund may close sooner if it is fully allocated.

Medium to large scale

Applicants may apply for a grant of up to £50,000. The primary focus of the grant is to overcome barriers to the use of surplus food by supporting key redistribution activities, such as:

- Access to and distribution of surplus food through logistical collections;
- Storage, sorting, labelling and repackaging of food; and
- Onward distribution activities to charities or end beneficiaries.

The deadline for applications is Thursday 21 May 2020, 1pm.

For full details of both programmes see <https://wrap.org.uk/content/covid-19-emergency-surplus-food-grant>

Easter Lilies

With locked church buildings, closed suppliers and grounded flower arrangers, we were naturally unable to have our usual displays of commemorative lilies this Easter. Some folk in Reedham had already sent the money to me, and where I know your address already, I will return this to you, unless requested otherwise. However, there are quite a few people for whom I have no address, so please let me know what it is or what your wishes are, and I will try to get it back as soon as possible.

Kati Cowen, 01493 700915, 18, Church Road, Reedham.

The COMPOSTING TOILET at St. Andrew's churchyard.

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At last! – it was open to the public on 21st February. The delay in the works was due to a serious illness of one of the Mills Brothers Builders, luckily Paul recovered, and works started in early January. First a large hole had to be dug out to house the tank - and the PCC was obliged to employ an archaeologist to be present, in case there were any significant remains; we were told that we are lucky nothing like that was found as it would mean a vast expense for the PCC and would delay the installation. The big tank arrived in a large lorry and was put in place; the wooden construction was then made then, covered with black weather boards; and the roof with clay tiles to match the church. Nat Sol equipment was put in place which includes: a toilet, an urinal, a container with soak to be used in the toilet, rails, and even – clothes hangers!... All very suitable for people with disabilities and for wheelchair' users – a grass path was created outside. This small building includes also a shed for storage. Built by Mills Brothers Builders Ltd it was designed by Peter Ledward who managed to obtain all permits, built shelves in the store and tidied up the earth from that hole in the N.E. corner of the churchyard. Elisabeth Kozmian-Ledward raised £10,400 towards the cost of construction - from 4 grant applications. This made the whole project possible.

The shed looks quite like a traditional Norfolk 'black-boarded building' and fits in well in the surroundings. We noticed that it is being used by visitors to the Marshes - good!

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Other news from Wickhampton village April 2020.

The tree next to the church porch is in its lovely blossom again. Somebody kindly cleared the pond from dead plants – in readiness for the usual birds with their chicks. Many people can be noticed on bicycles and on foot going towards the Marshes for their exercise; they can visit the churchyard, and some admired the building so we invited them to come again, when the church is open -to view the medieval wall painting and sculptures; then the new illustrated church guide will be available again, the large cards, and the amazing tea-towels created by Friends of the Church – for visitors from near and far. There will be a designated nature conservation area, in due course. At the moment the grass is being cut. It is so sad that we could not have the Easter Service, and that churches have to be shut... Bishop Graham pointed out on television that there are - inside churches - many things people usually touch.

In the village there will be three lots of new people. Jackie Barnes has now a house 14. in Gt.Yarmouth – her former house has now been sold. The cottage where Ronnie and Brenda Rix lived, and the next door one, were sold by auction. It feels sad to see people leaving who were ‘life and soul of the village’, Margaret Woodgate died 7 years ago... When we arrived in Wickhampton, in 1991, we were given such a warm welcome, and became part of the community. The beautiful spring carries on regardless of tragic losses... Written by Elisabeth Kozmian-Ledward, by invitation from Brenda Pawsey.

Reedham Parish Council – a summary of the year.

During the last year the Parish Council has:

- undertaken safety works on the trees at the Woodland Walk.
- welcomed 5 new Councillors on to the Council.
- Broadland District Council obtained funding from a European grant to improve the bins, planters and noticeboard on the Riverside, and some signage around the village. The Parish Council will be getting the Wherryman statue repaired.
- all allotments are let and with all this ‘free’ time everyone has they are looking as if there will be some bumper crops later in the year!
- work towards completing a Neighbourhood Plan has moved forward considerably, although further progress and consultations have rather frustratingly been put on hold for the time being.
- an Agreement for the permissive path from Station Road to Reedham Footpath No. 1 was agreed by the Council, Broads Authority and landowner, Mr Mutten. We are waiting for the Broads Authority to sign before the installation of the steps, bridge and fence can commence.

Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions the Parish Council is currently unable to hold physical meetings. The Clerk is investigating how it might be possible to hold online meetings to include public participation and, if and when these are deemed possible, details will be published on the website and noticeboard by the Doctor. All parishioners will be welcome to ‘attend’ and instructions on how to join in will be given.

Claudia Dixon, Parish Clerk

News from locked down Southwood

We 15 residents are keeping safe and carrying on during this strange self-isolating period before the world as we knew it changed-and my goodness that was only just over a month ago now

Everything is greening up along the banks and hedges and the spring tree blossom is falling like confetti in the wind. Colourful wild flowers are attracting the emerging bees and insects

The Princess Diana Memory Rowan Tree, planted at the bottom of Oaks Lane, is now breaking into full leaf and clusters of flowers are already forming

St Edmunds Churchyard is a carpet of bluebells - well worth a visit when out for your daily exercise- do call in and enjoy the sight and their delicate perfume

The lanes now quieter from passing traffic have seen an increase of walkers and cyclists who are noticeably chatting to each other and passing the time of day! But beware of top speeding delivery vehicles who seem to take advantage of fewer cars on the road!!

Southwood Hall is shut down and eerily quiet. Normally buzzing with preparations **15.** for forthcoming wedding celebrations all now having to be rebooked at later dates

For the farmers Peter and Christopher Key their work carries on as normal, daily tending their livestock and calving cattle, soon to be turned out of the farm cattle sheds onto fresh grazing marshland. The sugar beet drilling season has now started and spraying and fertilizing of the growing seasons corn

The weekly applauding of the emergency services and key workers that we -like most of Europe- do every Thursday at 8pm resounds through the village with echoes from Freethorpe heard in the distance

It seems that this crisis has recalibrated expectations and it has shown us that, really, the only thing that matters is our health, and the health of our loved ones. Everything else can wait. Everything else feels somehow woolly and unimportant.

Brenda Pawsey

As there is no Joint Annual Parish Meeting this month, here is the Rector's Benefice Report for 2019:-

We began the year by saying farewell and thank you to Lorna and Peter Allies. Their legacy includes the *Friends of Wickhampton Church*, which took formal shape during the year; and the toilet at Freethorpe, dedicated by Bishop Alan on his visitation in February. That facility has enabled increased use of the church, notably a monthly drop-in, *Coffee, Cake and Chat*.

The House for Duty post at Reedham was to remain vacant for the whole of the year: I'm grateful to everybody within the Benefice who has helped make that manageable; and to visiting clergy. The Sunday load has been shared by our own Readers and Authorised Worship Assistants; it was wonderful to be able to prepare two more AWAs at Limpenhoe in Simon Ash and Sarah Mules. Their desire to grow the church was evidenced in the increasingly successful additional services they conducted through Advent. Prior to this Simon needed to be Confirmed, joining Simon Pittam and the rest of the innovative Deanery Confirmation Preparation group.

Sadly numbers of Baptisms dropped, with only one at Acle and 6 in the Benefice as a whole (one of them at Tunstall, thanks to the arrival of Robin More). So did weddings (3: all at Acle); although this ministry is still worth celebrating, with one couple particularly appreciating the welcome they experienced on Sundays at St. Edmund's; and two renewals of wedding vows during the year – one of them Freethorpe's Australian friends.

The number of funerals conducted at crematoria or cemeteries (7) also continued to fall, as civil celebrants take an increasing share. The resultant drop in fee income is worryingly affecting finances at both parish and diocesan level; against that background, the fact that in 2019 we still managed to pay 95% demonstrates the Benefice commitment to Parish Share.

Against the national trend, the number of funerals in church held up (22). That is partly due to our open churchyards (thank you to those who oversee and maintain them); but it's clearly an aspect of our ministry which is valued within our communities. Every death is significant; among those of more than local impact were the loss of retired Reader Peter Trueman; *Mother's Union* stalwart Jean Cunnington; retired funeral director Tony Moll and Dr. Nick Ireland.

On a brighter sacramental note our Benefice (or its predecessor) did have a hand in **16.** an ordination: that of James Gilder, resulting in a joyful visit to Chelmsford Cathedral.

Our church bells (including Acle and Halvergate) sounded more frequently during the year, with the continuing revival of *Reedham Ringers*. Towards the end of the year they celebrated their first anniversary; but also marked the passing of a former tower captain, Peter Luckins.

Compared with 2018, Sunday congregation numbers appear stable. Working with children in the Church is often an up-and-down experience: *Reedham Chill Church* had variable numbers through the year; but a particular highlight was the visit to Norwich Cathedral and its helter-skelter installation. The experiment of holding a floating, monthly evening service in the Benefice didn't justify making this a permanent feature. The most successful of these slots was taken by the Benefice Choir's Easter celebration, *Thy Lord is Risen*. The Choir also took up an invitation to sing Evensong at Norwich Cathedral; and for Halvergate's *Book of Common Prayer Day*, marking its continuing contribution to Anglican worship in and beyond our Benefice.

We continue to strengthen our ecumenical links. Reedham hosted the July service for what is now to be known as *Freethorpe & Area Churches Together* (that's a FACT). This celebrated the national anniversary of *Open the Book*, which continues in three of our Primary Schools (although new team members would be welcome). We said farewell to Steve Cullis and welcomed a new local Methodist Minister in Andrew King. Members of St. Edmund's joined Acle Methodists for their Covenant Service (relocated to the Recreation Centre by building work at the church); on Good Friday and for occasional *Just Desserts* (conversation with calories).

Building work also impacted some of our congregations during the year. Most significantly, Beighton's superb fundraising efforts successfully gave way in July to the start of work on their *Rethatching & Improvements Project* (now not programmed to end until September 2021). Much smaller in scale (though, frustratingly, equally long-lasting) Acle's underground heating boiler was replaced with a new one in a purpose-built cabinet. Funded by the Parish Council, Acle's clock mechanism was renewed; and Halvergate's crumbling plasterwork was attended to. Thank you to Fabric Officers and Churchwardens for their care of our places of worship.

The Church of England managed to find another Bishop Graham to fill the vacancy in see; some church members were able to meet him when he visited the Deanery within a week of his enthronement. I think he's finding the Diocese to be in good heart; as is our Benefice.

Martin Greenland

Giving to your church during the lockdown

Although church buildings are closed there are still bills to pay, like insurance and Parish Share. Standing Order giving is being received, but many people normally give in cash at services; and fundraising events are impossible at the moment. If you would like to give, read on, and thank you!

Some regular givers will already have been contacted by their church; some may be setting money aside to give when services resume – if so, thank you. If the bank details are shown below, you may consider making a direct payment; alternatively, three parishes have on-line giving routes set up.

Account name	Sort code and a/c for direct payments	On-line giving options	
Acle PCC	20 99 21 10402850	www.peoplesfundraising.com/wal/st-edmunds-church-acle	
PCC Beighton & Moulton St. Mary	30-99-97 00603168	https://thy.ng/CUR006086	
Freethorpe PCC	Contact Lynda (01493 700028)		
Halvergate with Tunstall PCC	30-99-97 00092473		
Limpenhoe PCC	09-01-52 45598707		
Reedham PCC		https://thy.ng/CQR007661	
Wickhampton PCC	30-99-97 00690532		

Emoticons

Emoticons may not be as recent an innovation as we might think. At an 8am Holy Communion I was surprised to see this in the reading for the Epistle (Acts 10.36) in the King James Bible, no less:-

preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all :)

Although mine was a tongue in cheek observation, I now learn (Wikipedia!) that poet **18.** Robert Herrick used the same combination of punctuation marks in 1648, possibly deliberately:-

Upon my ruins, (smiling yet:)

There are then further citations in the 19th century.

Martin

Pathfinder Puzzle

Starting with the 6th letter across on the 6th row down, move up, down or sideways (but NOT diagonally) to find the path through the words of a Doxology. Answer next time.

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L	O	R	E	G	R	M	H	H	S	A
M	I	A	I	O	P	O	E	E	R	N
A	H	E	S	D	F	R	Y	Y	L	D
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Lyndsay Fisher

MAY CALENDAR

Reedham Charity: Sunshine Educare

As we cannot have our usual services in our churches Sunday by Sunday, here are some ideas of how we can still pray separately but together:-

Prayer on a Page is a simple service for each Sunday, posted on the Benefice Website, usually including a hymn and reflection from the Rector, together with a Book of Common Prayer version.

Links to the following are available on the Benefice Website

at www.abychurches.co.uk/prayer/other-resources-for-worship-at-home/ :-

Prayers relating to the outbreak and other material can be found on the Church of England website.

For those **unable to attend a funeral**: a simple reflection to use at home; a sheet of prayer bookmarks to share with others.

Worship on Sundays:-

- Sunday Hope podcast from the Diocese of Norwich (a weekly series)
- Norwich Cathedral audio service with images
- Sunday Worship on BBC Radio 4 (broadcast at 8.10am)
- A different "virtual service" on BBC Radio Norfolk at 8.00am
- Recorded Sunday services on the Church of England's Facebook page.
- Some services around the country are being live-streamed: they will be **19.** tagged on a church near you

- Churches Together in England are asking us to keep praying on Sundays at 7.00pm and have candle posters to display in front windows to let passers-by know.

Daily Prayer:-

- Daily Service on BBC Radio 4 (broadcast 9.45am on DAB and Long Wave)
- Daily Prayer from the Church of England: shorter Day and Night Prayer, plus complete Morning and Evening Prayer (Common Worship and Book of Common Prayer) for each day.

THE CHURCH'S YEAR CONTINUES. HERE ARE THE READINGS WE WOULD HAVE HAD AT OUR SUNDAY SERVICES:-

SUNDAY 3rd 4th of EASTER

Acts 2.42-47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2.19-25

John 10.1-10

SUNDAY 10th 5th of EASTER

Acts 7.55-60

Psalm 31.1-5,15-16

1 Peter 2.2-10

John 14.1-14

SUNDAY 17th 6th of EASTER

Acts 17.22-31

Psalm 66.7-18

1 Peter 3.13-22

John 14.15-21

Wednesday 20th COPY DATE FOR OUTLOOK

Thursday 21st **ASCENSION DAY**

Blofield Deanery is planning to produce a recorded joint Ascension Day service, with contributions from all the Deanery incumbents: Thursday 21st May (consult www.abychurches.co.uk/prayer/other-resources-for-worship-at-home/ for the link on the day).

SUNDAY 23rd 7th of EASTER

Acts 1.6-14

Psalm 68.1-10,32-35*

1 Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11

John 17.1-11

SUNDAY 31st DAY OF PENTECOST/WHITSUNDAY

Acts 2.1-21

Psalm 104.26-36,37b*

1 Corinthians 12.3b-13

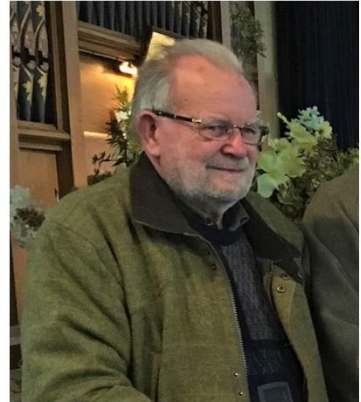
John 20.19-23 or John 7.37-39



Left (Top and Middle): the Composting Toilet at Wickhampton, taking shape and finished.



Below (Right): the late Mike Brook



Either side:

Progress on the rethatching of Beighton Church



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