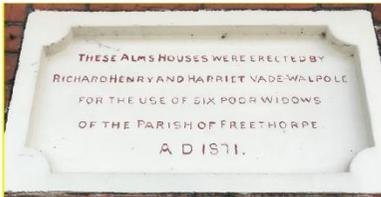




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Wickhamton

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On Saturday 11th September it was an opportunity to be able to celebrate 150 years of the Walpole Almshouses in Freethorpe; and also 75 years since the formation of the Almshouse Association. Revd Martin Greenland carried out a rededication of the plaque, and the residents, trustees and invited guests enjoyed the afternoon tea and a special celebration cake.



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At the recent Clergy Conference I met Becca Rogers. She's the Kings Lynn vicar who launched a JustGiving page so that people grateful for their Covid vaccination could help someone in a developing country to also receive one (through www.gavi.org). The page had raised £29,200 from 863 supporters when it reached its time limit – an impressive result. Thankfully governments are also responding – and they need to. While the UK has double-jabbed about 2/3rds of us and is now vaccinating some children and rolling out boosters, in low-income countries 98% of people haven't even received one dose.

Adversity, such as a pandemic, highlights inequality. Those who are least well off are more vulnerable and less able to protect themselves. That was true within the UK and it's even truer globally. It's similar with climate change: those who have to eke out an existence on the most marginal land around the world are most vulnerable to drought, violent weather, or sea-level rise; and lack resources to protect themselves against the risk. Compounding the injustice, these are people who have contributed least to causing the problem: that's mostly down to the emissions and activities of developed countries.

The fact that such people live in other countries doesn't get us off the hook. Global trade, travel and technology have shrunk our world. People are happy to buy goods manufactured on the other side of the earth, to take foreign holidays and chat on Skype to family overseas. Ignoring global inequality brings us worryingly close to the rich man in Jesus' parable who ignored Lazarus, the beggar at his gate.

Moreover, when Jesus was asked, "Who is my neighbour?" the subtext of the questions was, "Who is close enough to me so that I'm commanded to love them as myself?" and, by implication, "Who is far enough away from me that I don't have to?" Jesus refused to set a limit, instead telling a story about a Samaritan, of all people, helping someone in need: proving himself to be a neighbour in the process. Rather than asking "Who is my neighbour?" we should be asking "Who can I make a neighbour of today?"

In global terms the UK is a wealthy nation. We have the resources to prove that we have neighbours across the world. Regrettably, the Government has cut the budget for international aid. But there are still plenty of ways we can respond individually – thanks to the likes of the Revd Becca Rogers.

In the love of God,

Martin Greenland

Parish Registers

Funerals

We commend to God's keeping:-

Norman John Thurtle, aged 85, on 1st September at St Edmund's, Acle.

John Francis Tovell, aged 85, on 9th September at All Saints', Freethorpe.



Freethorpe Methodist Church

We are celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the opening of Freethorpe Methodist Church in 1896. We plan to open an exhibition on **Wednesday 27th October**, which is the date in 1896 that the chapel was officially opened. The exhibition will also be on display at services on the next two Sundays, with Katy Adams at 6:30 on 31st October, and an Open Celebration Service on 7th November at 11am. Signed copies of a new book 'Garlands of Grace: Methodist People of Freethorpe 1798-1919' will be on sale.

PHOTOS. As part of the display we would like to make a table photo collage of all sorts of people with any kinds of connections to the chapel. This could be photos of people who are buried in the cemetery, people who were married here or christened here, it could be people who still come to services and events here. The photos don't have to be of the people doing things at chapel, just ordinary shots of the people themselves. Any chapel-based photos will also, of course, be good for the display too.

MESSAGES. We would also be grateful for any messages or memories which you could send us to be shared as part of the 125th celebration.

We hope lots of people will be able to send us contributions by Wednesday 20th October, and come to enjoy celebrating the people and all the good that has been done over those 125 years.

You can send items by email to andrewmoll@hotmail.co.uk, or by post to Andrew Moll, 41-43 The Green, Freethorpe, NR13 3NY, or you can drop them in at the chapel porch on Wednesday afternoons between 2:30 and 4 during Pop-in.

Andrew Moll

Reedham Churchyard maintenance

It is time for an autumn tidy –up.

I think that the churchyard has looked particularly beautiful this spring and summer, but the combination of wild meadow and more traditional does not just happen. It takes a bit of work. The grass is mown by contractors who also cut the meadow at the end of the season, but it is up to others keep everything else under control. In particular, trees need thinning and lifting, the sycamore volunteers need to be kept in order and that gravel path and drive take some weeding.

If you are able to share the work and volunteer a couple of hours of your time, it would be great. The churchyard belongs to us all, churchgoers and non-churchgoers alike. All are welcome.

I am planning a clear up and bonfire for Wed. October 13th. If we start at 10.30am then people can stay for as long/as little as suits them. It is usually a convivial working party, and there will be coffee and cake!

Please let me know if you are able to come, because if we need to cancel for any reason, it helps to know who to contact.

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Reedham Village Show

7.



Thanks to everyone who attended and entered the village show. It was great to see a lot of new faces and new entries as well as our regular entrants. Everyone had a jolly time. See you all again in 2022.

We would also like to thank the sponsors of our raffle, British Sugar, Moulton Nurseries, Thrigby Wildlife Park, Roys of Wroxham, Acle East of England Co-op.

October in the garden
Sow sweet peas and place them in a cold frame over winter for planting out

in the spring.

Plant daffodil, tulip and allium bulbs in borders or naturalised in grass.

Sow broad beans and onion sets and garlic for an early crop next year.

Harvest pumpkins.

By the end of October the garden is looking messy.

Autumn is a time to clear up the garden and decide which plants need cutting right back or need taking out.

Protect tender and potted plants from frost.



Ken Tungate

Reedham and District WI

The Reedham and District branch of the WI is back meeting in person at the village hall on the first Tuesday of every month (7pm for 7.30pm) and we invite anyone who is interested to come along and meet us. This month we celebrated our 47th birthday with a Murder Mystery evening, ably led by Julie Porter. Cup cakes and fizz were consumed. We offer a varied programme of monthly meetings, usually with an outside speaker, lunches, walks and various activities. Some, but not all of us, make jam and cake. Most of us enjoy gardening. Our next scheduled meeting is a talk by Chris Armstrong about the past industries of Norwich - Mustard, beer and boots, which sounds fascinating. New members are always welcome, but you can also come along as a visitor if you would just like to get the flavour of who we are and what we do. Please let me know if you would like to come and meet us on Tuesday 5th October.

Mary Jones
thewi.org.uk

OCTOBER CALENDAR

8.

Reedham Charity: The Fishermen's Mission

Saturday 2nd 2.00pm Freethorpe Church Fete – Church Farmhouse

SUNDAY 3rd

18th after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer – Halvergate
9.30am Holy Communion – Limpenhoe
9.30am Morning Prayer – Wickhampton
11.00am Harvest Morning Worship – Acle
11.00am Harvest Holy Communion – Beighton
11.00am Harvest Festival – Freethorpe
11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Monday 4th 7.30pm Reedham Parish Council – Reedham Village Hall

Tuesday 5th 7.30am Reedham & District W.I. – Reedham Village Hall

Friday 8th 7.30pm Film Night – ‘Dream Horse’ – Reedham Village Hall

Saturday 9th 9am – 12 noon Farmers' Market – Acle Church Hall
10am – 1pm Save the Children Card Sale – Weavers' Barn

SUNDAY 10th 19th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
11.00am Holy Communion – Freethorpe

Wednesday 13th 10.30am Reedham Churchyard day

Thursday 14th 9.30am Freethorpe Churchyard Clear up

SUNDAY 17th

20th after Trinity

9.30am Harvest Holy Communion – Halvergate
9.30am Morning Worship – Limpenhoe
11.00am Morning Worship – Acle
11.00am Morning Worship - Freethorpe
11.00am Harvest Holy Communion – Reedham

Monday 18th LIBRARY VAN DAY

4.00pm Evening Prayer for St Luke's Day by Zoom – please contact
the Rector for joining details.

7.30pm Cash Bingo – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 20th 7.30pm Cantley & District W.I. - Cantley Village Hall

Saturday 23rd 10.30am – 12.30pm All Saints' Drop-in, Beighton Church

SUNDAY 24th

Last after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
9.30am Matins – Halvergate
11.00am Holy Communion – Acle

Wednesday 27th Freethorpe Methodist exhibition – Chapel 9.
 7.30pm Halloween Quiz Night – Reedham Village Hall
 Thursday 28th 4.00pm Evening Prayer for Simon & Jude by Zoom.
 Friday 29th 10.30am – Noon Coffee & Catch up – Freethorpe Church

SUNDAY 31st All Saints' Sunday
 8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
 11.00am Benefice Holy Communion – Freethorpe

Looking forward into November:-

SUNDAY 7th 3rd before Advent
 9.30am Morning Prayer – Halvergate
 9.30am Holy Communion – Wickhampton
 11.00am Morning Worship – Acle
 11.00am Morning Prayer – Beighton
 11.00am Morning Worship - Freethorpe
 11.00am Morning Prayer - Reedham

Reedham Ringers

Bell ringing is nearly back to normal!

The ringers have happily returned to their home base at Reedham and are practising every Monday afternoon. We have been able to ring for a number of Sunday services and hope that most of you are enjoying our cheerful contribution to the village soundscape. We have also returned to Acle, where we rang for the recent Evensong which showcased the Benefice choir so magnificently. Listen out for us in Halvergate, because we have a practice scheduled there for later this month.

We are always looking for new ringers and anyone who learnt to ring in the past and is thinking that a return might be fun, would be particularly welcome. We range in age from early 20s to 70s. Some of us are church goers, some are not. Some of us are musicians, some are not. We are a friendly group who ring because we enjoy the tradition, the mental stimulation, the majesty of the bells and each other's company. Perhaps you would enjoy it too. Why not have a try?

Mary Jones

mary.jones@bellringing.org

Cantley & District W.I.

In September some of our members attended the Norfolk Federation Garden Party which was held at Fairhaven Gardens. We spent a very enjoyable afternoon having a picnic, wandering along the shady paths on one of the hottest days of the year and meeting members from other W.I.s.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 20th at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall. Our speaker for the evening will be Jonathan Carrie and his subject Hedgerow Baskets.

New members always very welcome. For more information contact Barbara on 07789845050.

Over Fifties Club



10.

Well, yet another month has passed very quickly and we have had many happy afternoons with our friends. We gained another new member this month.

Peter Horsley had his 80th birthday so the club laid on birthday cake and food.

Our afternoons are filled with happiness and laughter, so don't sit alone if you are over 50 come and join us. Even if you are not a bingo person we only play 4 games and there are prizes, some play cards. Then we have a break with tea, coffee, cake and biscuits. At the break members sit and chat with friends after which we play our bingo flyer for money, then there is a raffle and a quick joke or quiz before you

leave, all that for £1.50. Next month we will have a Halloween afternoon with a buffet. If you are alone come and join us every Tuesday at Reedham Village Hall at 1.30pm. We unfortunately lost two of our members Peter from Hemsby and Josie Curtis, we tried for ages to get Josie to join and when she did she really enjoyed being part of our large over 50's family and looked forward to Tuesday afternoons with us. Peter was good to our club and helped us buy our bingo machine. Our condolences go to both families they will both be sorely missed.

We have lots planned over the remaining months of this year so don't delay join today.

OVER FIFTIES LOTTERY

As this goes to print our lottery has not been won, several people are waiting for one number so perhaps we might get a winner on the next draw Sept 18th. Non members are welcome to join it is a £1 per week and the jackpots are good just give me a call and get your numbers entered. It helps support our club as well as other various charities from time to time.

Angie Woolsey Secretary / Treasure Mobile 07585504199

Beighton Craft Fair

Beighton PCC is very grateful for all who supported the exhibition which added a further £436 to the restoration appeal fund.

Art Class at Freethorpe

Ruth Church is looking for more budding artists to join her Art Group at Freethorpe Village Hall. These lessons are held on Tuesdays 10am to 12 noon. The cost per lesson is £5. If you are interested ring Ruth on 01493 700822.



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WICKHAMPTON SCARECROW FESTIVAL 2021

The second Wickhampton Scarecrow Festival took place on Sunday 12 September 2021, in conjunction with the Harvest Festival Service at St Andrew's church. It was lovely to see so many people at the church, and our thanks must go to everyone who entered the spirit of the scarecrow festival and created some brilliant characters!

The winning scarecrow was "Carol Crow".

Thanks to everyone's generosity we have raised £130 from this year's scarecrow festival, and we hope to repeat this "exstrawdinary" event next year.

The Friends of Wickhampton Church

WICKHAMPTON PLAY AREA

The Play Area Committee is very sad and disappointed to report that our play area has suffered several incidents of vandalism. The newly-repaired shelter has had most of its roof felt torn off, with pieces being scattered over the grass on several occasions. Most recently, an oak tree bough has been dragged down and broken. Considerable funds have been spent on improvements to the play area for local children's use, and we sincerely hope that this antisocial behaviour stops. The incidents have been reported to the police.

All Saints Freethorpe

It is all happening!

Saturday 2nd October our long awaited Fete at Church Farmhouse at 2.00 pm stalls refreshments all taking place in Tony's garden we look forward to seeing you.

Sunday 3rd at 11.00 Harvest Thanksgiving, produce to be given to local charities.

Thursday 14th October 9.30 am Churchyard Clear up

Friday 29th October at 10.30 - 12 Coffee Morning and catch up in Church do come and give us a look.

Jean Thompson

NEW KITCHEN AT WICKHAMPTON CHURCH

After several years' fundraising by the Friends of Wickhampton Church, we have at last been able to replace the old kitchen in the tower with an up-to-date version. Our sincere thanks must go to



Howdens who supplied the entire kitchen at a very favourable price, and also generously donated the worktops, and to David and Ed who fitted it all so professionally. We were able to "christen" the kitchen with refreshments following our Harvest Festival Service on Sunday 12 September, and we're sure it will be well-used in the future.



Afghan Resettlement

Afghan refugees are being resettled in Norfolk with the support of all the district councils, both through the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy and the Afghan Citizens' Resettlement Scheme. There is central government funding for this, but also there are ways in which we, as individuals, can help. Details can be found at - <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/what-we-do-and-how-we-work/norfolk-county-council-news-and-updates/afghan-resettlement>

Relocated families will need basic furniture and household goods, and also donations of clothes to help them get established. You can donate household goods via the website (perhaps you are moving house and have surplus items that you could offer to a family who have left their own country with very little?) or if you have clothing there is a drop box in Chancery Place, lower ground floor, next to House of Fraser. The drop off is run by Alive Church and clothes need to be clean and bagged in tied up plastic bags because you have to shoot them through a wide perspex tube into the collection box. If you cannot get into the city, I can drop off bags of clothes, within reason.

Donations of money can be made through the Diocese of Norwich website.

Thanks

Mary Jones

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Charity Christmas Cards

The Original Charity Christmas Card Shop opens in St Peter Mancroft, Norwich on Tuesday 18th October and runs until 18th December. Hours are shorter than in the past but a team will be selling cards from 10-15 to 2-45pm each day. Over 20 charities will be involved and every penny taken goes to the Charities. One of the Charities involved is SAVE THE CHILDREN. There is a local sale of their cards at The Weavers Barn, Squires Road Halvergate on Saturday 9th October from 10am to 1pm. Pop in and have a coffee and buy your cards early. Apologies for the date as it is on the same morning as Acle Farmers Market but there is something on most Saturday mornings.

Nick and Pam Butcher .

30 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE – HIDDEN IN THIS PASSAGE

This is a most remarkable puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, keeping him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much that he passed it on to some friends. One friend from Illinois worked on it while fishing from his John boat. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo.

Elaine Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it that she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column. Yet another friend judges the job of solving this puzzle so challenging that she brews a cup of herbal tea to help her nerves.

There will be some names there that are really easy to spot, that's a **fact**. **S**ome people, however, will soon find themselves in a jam, especially since the books are not necessarily capitalised.

Truthfully, from answers we get, we are forced to admit it usually takes a minister or scholar to see some of them. At the worst, research has shown, something in our genes is responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in these paragraphs.

During a recent fundraising event, which featured this puzzle, the Alpha-Delta-**Phi Lemonade** booth set a new sales record. The local newspaper, the **Chronicle**, surveyed over 50 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult they had ever seen. As Father **Daniel** Humana humbly put it, "the books are all right there, in plain view, hidden from sight". Those able to find all of them will hear great lamentations from those who have to be shown.

One revelation that may help is that books **Timothy** and **Samuel** appear without their numbers. Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are normal.

A chipper attitude will help you compete really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mass exodus, there are really 30 books of the bible lurking somewhere in these paragraphs - just waiting to be found.

Though we were inundated with entries to this puzzle, only two managed to find the full thirty books that were hidden – and so we're pleased to announce that Ann White and Kati & Nicholas Cowen will be celebrating with their 'Celebrations' in the coming days.

Many congratulations to the winners and best wishes to you all.

Vic Walsham

Editor: There is also a second 'Esther' at the end on the 2nd para and beginning of the third. Vic was disappointed with the low response, but I'm sure many of you attempted it, even if you didn't send the answers in.

CSA Lottery results.

July 2021

1st R Grint 293

2nd M Brinded 592

3rd A Thrower 577

4th K Pallant 523

August 2021

1st S Luxford 123

2nd C Davies 29

3rd N Landsdowne 186

4th C Davies 555

Nomads Theatre Company

15.

Plans for the next Nomads Pantomime are well under way!

Interested in taking part?? Our first read-through will take place at 7:30pm on Friday 24th September in Reedham Village Hall. Rehearsals will then take place every Friday between 7:30pm- 9:30pm in Reedham until the performances in February half term.

If you would like to find out more about the Nomads Theatre Company or about how to get involved in the next production, please contact Kerri-Anne Watson on 07824468242 or email on kerriannewatson@hotmail.com. Don't worry if you missed the initial read-through, call Kerri-Anne to let us know you want to be involved.

There is an annual membership fee of £7 for adults and £3.50 for children. Nomads is open to everyone over 10 years old.

We would love to hear from you.

Kerri-Anne

Reedham Village Hall

Events coming up at the village hall in October:-

Friday 8th Oct Film Night 7.30pm Showing on the big screen will be Dream Horse starring Toni Collette as bartender Jan Vokes. With very little money and no experience Jan persuades her neighbours to chip in their earnings to help raise Dream in the hopes that he can compete with the racing elites

Tickets are £5.00 and available on Tel 701107 or on the door and online <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/reedham-community-association>

Monday 18th Oct Cash Bingo eyes down 7.30pm look out for posters with jackpot details

Wednesday 27th Oct Halloween Quiz Night 7.30pm £2.00 per person. Max of 6 per table. Prize for the best Halloween costume. There will be a bar and raffle

If you wish to book the Hall or find out more about our events, then please email Reedhamvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk

Reedham Harvest Festival – Sunday 17th October

Anyone who would be prepared to come and help decorate Reedham Church would be very welcome on Saturday 16th from 10am. It would help greatly if you would bring your own flowers and foliage. If you want re-imbursing, please bring a receipt as well.

All skill levels very welcome.

We will also be collecting non-perishable foods for the Food Bank, both before and at the service.

Kati Cowen

Acle Harvest Festival – Sunday 3rd October

Donations are invited of non-perishable or fresh foodstuffs for local foodbanks.



Left: The Benefice Choir about to sing Evensong at Acle Church on 12th Sept. Photo by Graham Allcock.

Below: The COP26 Relay Pilgrimage about to arrive at Reedham Church.

Below: Beighton Crafts Fair on 11 - 12th September



Left: One of the Scarecrows at Wickhampton Scarecrow Festival, 12th September.



Above and Left: Simon Ash with the congregation on 5th September as he took his last service at Limpenhoe before moving away. As it was such a lovely day it was held in the churchyard.