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Bishop Alan dedicates the 'The Little House on the Prairie' - the new Composting Toilet - at Freethorpe Churchyard.

OUTLOOK
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ACLE & BURE TO YARE BENEFICE: WHO'S WHO 2.

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View from the Pew

A Reader writes:-

As I write this I am being watched!! I'm being watched by a very small white rabbit (which, incidentally, we call Harvey) – and which was a gift to me from someone on a Lent Course that I led some years ago (I'd be happy to share the context of the gift – and name - with anyone who is interested).

I mention this because we are rapidly approaching Lent – and this year's Lent Course which is entitled "Life to the full" and which looks to be really interesting – but, also, because seeing Harvey reminded me of one particular Lent Course which was entitled "Where is God when"?

Lent is a time when Christians seek to re-align themselves with God in a variety of different ways – some will 'give up something for Lent' – some will undertake some extra commitment, often for the benefit of others – some will commit to specific spiritual development (extra prayer time, reading a Christian book) and so on.

"Where is God" posed, among others, the questions – 'when we face suffering' and 'when we contemplate death?' – and all of them led to lively discussions (even the one entitled '...we contemplate death' proved to be an uplifting session with much humour in it). But it was during the one entitled 'when we face suffering' that it was commented how often people use 'suffering' as an excuse to claim that God doesn't exist ("If God really exists why does he allow all the suffering ..." you know what I mean).

It's always a difficult one to answer in terms that people will accept – so, when someone on the course told it, I quite enjoyed this story on the subject:

'A man went to a barbershop to have his hair cut and his beard trimmed. He and the barber had talked about many different subjects. – and when they eventually touched on the subject of God, the barber said: "I don't believe that God exists." Why do you say that?' asked the customer. "Well, you just have to go out in the street to realize that God doesn't exist. Tell me, if God exists, would there be so many sick people? Would there be abandoned children? If God existed, there would be neither suffering nor pain. I can't imagine a loving God who would allow all that.

The customer thought for a moment, but didn't respond because he didn't want to start an argument. The barber finished his job and the customer left the shop. Just after he left the barbershop, he saw a man in the street with long, stringy, dirty hair and an untrimmed beard. He looked dirty and unkempt.

The customer turned and went back in and said to the barber: "You know what? Barbers do not exist." "How can you say that?" asked the surprised barber.

"I'm here, and I'm a barber!"

"No!" the customer exclaimed. "Barbers don't exist because if they did, there would be no people with dirty long hair and untrimmed beards, like that man outside." "Ah, but barbers DO exist! That's what happens when people do not come to us."

"Exactly!" affirmed the customer. "That's the point! God, too, DOES exist! That's what happens when people don't go to Him and don't look to Him for help and guidance." ‘

It's sometimes surprising what 'little gems' you find on a Lent Course – I'm looking forward to this year's one and hope that, maybe, this letter might encourage some of you to come along. (Details elsewhere in this edition).

In the meantime I wish God's blessings for you and your families.

Vic Walsham (Reader - Acle)

Parish Registers

Funerals

We commend to God:-

Ann Elizabeth Howard Mcrae Ireland, aged 80, on 21st January at Freethorpe.

Valerie Joan Grinstead, aged 59, on 29th January at Halvergate.

Robert Paul McLaughlin of Reedham (and formerly Berney Arms), aged 79, on 7th February at Gorleston Crematorium.

Margaret Joy Cossey, aged 84, on 18th February at Halvergate.

Jill Ashley-Miller

Many will remember Jill from when she and Peter lived at The Old Hall, Reedham. We are sad to learn recently that she died in July last year in Dorset. She had moved there from Beccles to be nearer to family. Catherine, who many of you also will remember, still lives in supported accommodation in Norwich.

Limpenhoe Churchyard – see photo on the back page.

Last October and November saw several Limpenhoe residents working hard in St. Botolph's churchyard. Dead and diseased hedging plants were removed and the area was then raked level and cleared of stones. Two areas were reseeded with a specialist seed mix which includes many native wild flower species.

On the first weekend in February, Ernst Hoyos undertook the replacement hedging, a traditional mix of plants which will invigorate the existing hedge and provide additional habitat for wildlife - Roll on Spring and the first flowers!
Christine Fisk

Acle Churches Together (ACT) Just Desserts

Our evening Bible Study group are planning another Just Desserts evening on Tuesday, 5th March, at Acle Methodist church at the usual time of 7.30 pm. We realise that this is Shrove Tuesday and hope that it will not conflict with any arrangements that you have at St. Edmunds. If you are happy with this, we would be very grateful if you could put it in your notices. All are welcome and, if anyone would like to bring a dessert/cheese and biscuits, that would be great, but not essential.

Cantley & District W.I.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday March 20th at 7 pm in Cantley Village Hall. This will be our birthday meeting (hence the earlier start time) and Three's Company will be providing musical entertainment. For more information contact Barbara on 07789845050. New members always very welcome.

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3rd B. McIntosh (324)

4th R. Larter (266)

Congratulations! Next draw will take place on Friday, March 8th during school assembly.

Barbara Tuck 07789845050

Cantley Flower Show 2019

This year's Show is on Saturday 7th September at 2pm. It may seem a long way away but now is the time to be planning what you may enter and planting your flower and vegetable seed as well as making yourself busy with knitting and other handicrafts.

This year we have completely updated the classes for children to enter. So children in the 7 to 16 age groups also need to be busy planting vegetable seed as well as taking photos and making an item of handicraft.

Please go to www.cantley.org/flowershow to see all the changes. We hope you can find something of interest that will inspire you to enter this year.

Robert Beadle Chair of Flower Show 01493 701231



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Reedham School

The School is appealing for Lego Education vouchers from the EDP newspaper to buy Lego Education equipment. The closing date for submitting them is Friday, May 24th, so the school needs them in good time before then.

Cakes and Coffee Too!

Freethorpe are having a Coffee and Cake Morning on Friday 29 March 10.30-12 noon in the Church. Please do come, all process to Church Funds.

Jean Thompson

Local bus service - Reedham

Norfolk County Council have withdrawn their support for service 730 which operated on Wednesday and Saturday to great Yarmouth via Acle. However services 73A and 73C are unaffected. There is a bus service to Acle Monday to Friday augmented by a college service to great Yarmouth and Gorleston. A revised timetable has been displayed at the railway station and at other points. There is a small quantity of individual timetables in the leaflet holder at the station and I have a few more. Alternatively, the operator, Ourbus can be contacted on 01493 752223

Mike Warner

MARCH CALENDAR

Reedham Charity: St Martin's Trust

Friday 1st 9.30am First Friday Morning Prayer – Halvergate
2.00pm Women's World Day of Prayer – Acle Methodists'
7.30pm “ “ “ “ - Freethorpe Church

SUNDAY 3rd SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

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
3.30pm Chill Church – Reedham

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

Tuesday 5th 7.30pm 'Just Desserts' – Acle Methodist Church

7.30pm Reedham & District W.I. – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 6th ASH WEDNESDAY

10.00am Holy Communion - Acle

7.30pm Evening Prayer – Reedham

Saturday 9th 11.00am – 1pm Jumble Sale – Reedham Village Hall

SUNDAY 10th 1st SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
9.30am Holy Communion – Wickhampton
10.30am Wickhampton Parish Meeting
9.30am Morning Prayer - Limpenhoe
11.00am Holy Communion – Acle
11.00am Morning Prayer – Freethorpe
11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

Monday 11th 2.00pm I.T. Club – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 13th 7.30pm 'Bohemian Rhapsody' – Reedham Village Hall

7.30pm Ladies' Christian Link – 36 The Green, Freethorpe

Thursday 14th 2.30pm Lent Course – Acle Parish Hall

Saturday 16th OUTLOOK COPY DATE

SUNDAY 17th 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

9.30am Holy Communion – Halvergate
9.30am Morning Prayer – Beighton
11.00am Holy Communion - Acle
11.00am Morning Prayer – Freethorpe
11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham
3.30pm Chill Church

Monday 18th 7.30pm Cash Bingo – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 20th 10.30am Churchyard Day – Reedham Churchyard

7.00pm Cantley & District W.I. – Cantley Village Hall.

Thursday 21st 2.30pm Lent Course – Acle Parish Hall

SUNDAY 24th 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT – BCP DAY at Halvergate

9.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Morning Prayer – Halvergate

10.30am The Litany - Halvergate

11.00am Holy Communion – Halvergate

12.30pm Lunch (Bring your Own) – Halvergate Village Hall

2.00pm Talk – ‘What the BCP means to me’

3.30pm Choral Evensong – Halvergate

Wednesday 27th 2.00pm Whist Drive – Reedham Village Hall

Thursday 28th 2.30pm Lent Course – Acle Parish Hall

SUNDAY 31st 4th SUNDAY OF LENT/MOTHERING SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Morning Prayer – Halvergate

9.30am Holy Communion – Limpenhoe

11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

11.00am Morning Prayer – Acle

11.00am Morning Prayer – Freethorpe

Looking forward into APRIL :-

SUNDAY 7th 5th SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Baptism & Holy Communion – Beighton

9.30am Matins - Halvergate

11.00am Holy Communion – Acle

11.00am Morning Prayer – Freethorpe

11.00am Morning Prayer (said) – Reedham

3.30pm Chill Church – Reedham

Weekly

Sundays 6.30pm Reedham Gospel Hall Meeting

At Reedham Village Hall

Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am Music group, 1.45pm – Over Fifties Club.

Wednesday 10.30am -12.30 noon - New Age Kurling.

Thursday 10am – 12 noon – Badminton Club.

Thursdays 6.30pm to 7.30pm Yoga.

Friday 9.30am to 10.30 am - AWOL Fitness Boot Camp.

Saturday 9.00am - 10.00am - Aerobics, Reedham Village Hall

At Limpenhoe Village Hall

Wednesdays 6.30pm – 7.30pm & 8pm – 9pm Yoga

At Freethorpe Village Hall

Mondays 5-6pm Rainbows

6:15-7:30pm Brownies

Tuesdays Art Club(morning) Zumba
(evening)

Thursdays 6:45-8:30 Cubs

At Halvergate Village Hall

Wednesdays 1st & 3rd 10.30am – 12.30pm – Coffee Morning

At Acle Church Hall

1st Tuesday 2pm – 49+ Group

Saturday 10th – 9am – 12 noon Acle Farmers’ Market

Mondays 2nd & 4th - Canasta Group

Weekly –
Tuesdays 11am – 12 noon – Fitness for Seniors
Wednesdays 10.30am – 12.30pm – Acle Art Group
Wednesdays 7.30pm – 9pm – Invidia Voices
Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am, – Baby Sensory Classes

N.B. Mobile Library day has been 10.
omitted because the NCC
has not been updated!
If anyone knows when the
next one is, please let me know

From the Norfolk Churches Trust

Dear All

At the start of the year the amount raised to date from the 2018 Bike Ride was almost £89,000. If you haven't yet got your donations in to us please do send them in and let's try and tip that figure over the £90k mark.



The need for work on our Norfolk churches is still as great as ever. As you know, we are so lucky in Norfolk with so many outstanding historical buildings but this does mean that there is always plenty of demand for any funds raised. The natural wear and tear on these buildings combined with the additional threat of lead thefts which is sadly on the rise means that we urgently require help to raise more money to support local communities in taking care of their buildings.

Thank you for all the valuable and fascinating blogs, photographs and information you send us cataloguing your walks, rides and drives. This year the most number of churches visited (so far...) was 55 – slightly down on last year's record 87 – but nonetheless impressive as they were visited on foot and by bike! Six of our participants have pipped the £1,000 mark and one of our regular cyclists has raised close to £2,000 – huge congratulations! Thanks go, however, to all of you who participate and whose donations swell the coffers and go to make up the total.

2018 saw a wide range of ages with some participants having taken part for over 20 years, one describing herself as being in her "upper eighties" whilst at the same time we saw two 8 year olds and one 10 year old raising £165 between them – congratulations to you all! It goes to show that the Bike Ride and Walk is such an inclusive event enjoyed by all ages.

Please keep your photographs coming in as the photography competition is yet to be judged – they don't have to be particularly artistic or scenic shots – the funny family shots from all ages are equally welcome as they capture what's great about the day, so thank you for sharing them with us.

Once again we are staggered and humbled by your continued support. Without you we would never be able to achieve these outstanding figures which in turn would mean we would not be able to offer the support for the upkeep of our beautiful churches.

As we look forward to this year's Bike Ride and Walk on 14th September 2019 we are happy to incorporate any new suggestions to what is such a wonderfully successful and happy day so if you do have any thoughts as to how we can improve the day please do let us know.

Thank you for all your support and we wish you all a healthy and happy 2019.

With very best wishes and heartfelt thanks,

The Bike Ride Team.



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Thursday 14th March - *Hummingbird*

or *Arctic Fox?*

Thursday 21st March - *Murdstone or Peggotty?*

Thursday 28th - March - *Rotten or Ripe?*

Thursday 4th April - *Desert or Oasis?*

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SUNDAY MARCH 24TH 2019

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9.30AM	MORNING PRAYER
10.10AM	COFFEE
10.30AM	THE LITANY
11.00AM	HOLY COMMUNION
12.30PM	LUNCH – PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN
2.00PM	TALK – “WHAT THE BCP MEANS TO ME” JAMES MARSTON – EDP JOURNALIST & ORDINAND
3.30PM	CHORAL EVENSONG

“Our general aim...in this undertaking was...to do that, which to our best understandings we conceived might most tend to the preservation of Peace and Unity in the Church; the procuring of Reverence, and **exciting of piety** and Devotion in the Publick Worship of God.” (Preface to the Book of Common Prayer)

We begin with Morning Prayer, read without hymns or a sermon. After coffee, the Litany, followed by Holy Communion. At the conclusion of Communion the team of Benefice bellringers will join us to ring the magnificent set of six church bells. We adjourn to the nearby Village Hall for lunch (please bring your own - hot and cold drinks will be available) and thereafter to listen to a talk. After a short break to “take the air” and enjoy what is certain to be warm spring sunshine, the day concludes with Choral Evensong led by the Benefice Choir under the direction of Michael Nicholas, former Organist and Master of the Choristers at Norwich Cathedral. The music will include items from each of the centuries in which Common Prayer has been used, including a ‘fresh off the manuscript’ piece from Dr Michael Nicholas himself.

Whilst there is no registration or other fee payable for the day’s activities it would be helpful to receive an indication of the numbers likely to attend. Furthermore we entirely understand that some may wish or be able to attend some but not all of the services.

**With that in mind could we ask that if you are intending to join us, you please let us know, preferably by email to: n.a.c.butcher@gmail.com or to Nick Butcher
The Weavers’ Barn, Squires Road, Halvergate NR13 3PZ
(tel: 01493 701122)**

Reedham and District Women’s Institute

We met, as usual, on the first Tuesday of the month at Reedham village hall. The speaker was our very own Brenda, who enjoys strange and exotic holidays, and had agreed to talk to us about her “wrinkly backpacker trip” (her words, not mine) to Sri Lanka. At a few days notice, she and her husband embarked on a budget break to Sri Lanka, travelling on public transport and staying in Homestays, which sound like the Asian equivalent of B and Bs. At £5 per person per night, including an evening meal, you get what you pay for, but you do have the opportunity to meet the real Sri Lankans, stay

in their homes and learn something of their culture. We heard tales of hirsute bullock cart drivers, tuk-tuk operators who were rather too fond of moonshine, a magical elephant safari, local buses offering musical entertainment, a picnic in the botanical gardens shared with monkeys and trips to UNESCO cultural sites. It was a fascinating talk, accompanied by props and delivered with relish and humour. Sometimes, home-grown talent is the best sort of talent.

As usual we socialised over coffee, competed fiercely to see who could produce the best flower of the month (violas) and the most interesting holiday souvenir. We also admired our scrap book of 100 Acts of Kindness that we have completed throughout the year to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Norfolk Federation of WIs.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 5th March at 7.30pm in Reedham Village Hall when Margaret Sim will be giving a talk on How to wear a hat. If you are coming don't forget to bring a fascinator or hat to share.

If you are interested in joining the WI, you are welcome to come as a visitor, but please give our president, Sue Paul, a call first. 01493 700394

Mary Jones

Parish Church Meeting St Andrew's Wickhampton

This is to elect new Church Wardens and will be held on Sunday 10th March at 10:30am immediately after the Sunday Service

Electoral Roll Officer is Brenda Pawsey who will be compiling the new roll. Please contact to complete the new form.

Plough Sunday - Wickhampton

Thanks to all who joined us for the Benefice service and swelled our numbers. It's so refreshing to worship with a large congregation especially the singing! Alfie Dunthorne made an excellent job of cleaning up his tractor and plough which gleamed in the winter sunshine. Aubrey Hewitt managed to guide us parking our cars around the church green to allow room for Alfie to manoeuvre his 7:5 tonne John Deere tractor with its 15ft long 5 furrow reversible plough into position. After prayers for farmers and farming communities Revd. Martin Greenland blessed the plough and some corn seed. Eric Baker from Ipswich played "God speed the plough" on his piano accordion as Alfie drove away onto the fields. We were led back into the church by Edward Gilder carrying the processional cross for Holy Communion followed by welcome warming refreshments.

Brenda Pawsey

Reedham Vikings

Saturday 9th March – Quiz at 8.30pm. £1 entry per person, max. 6 per team.

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day Pyjama Party. Wear pyjamas or red clothes and join us for a pyjama party and bring a boxed game for a games night.

Saturday 23rd March – Darts Tournament at 7.45pm for registration, 8pm start. £3 entry.

Saturday 30th March – Bingo. Club open 7pm, Eyes down, 7.30pm. £10 for 10 games + free game.

Lent Course – 'Life to the full': a 4 session Ecumenical discussion course with booklet, audio and transcript.

If you want to learn more about the Christian faith * tackle the biggest questions facing humanity * examine your own beliefs, in fellowship with others – then York courses are for you – see advert page for dates and sessions.

Reedham Village Hall

Events coming up at the Village Hall:-

Sat 9th March Jumble sale 11.00am to 1.00pm. Please put your items out for collection on the morning of Weds 6th March or you can bring it to the village hall on Friday 8th March between 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Sorry but we cannot except electrical items or large items of furniture.

Mon 11th March 2.00pm Free I.T classes Learn more about your laptop, iPad, mobile or P.C.

Weds 13th March showing on the big screen will be Bohemian Rhapsody starring Rami Malek in his BAFTA winning performance as Freddie Mercury. It is the story of Queen their music and their lead singer who defied stereotypes and shattered convention to become one of the worlds most beloved showmen. For tickets tel 701107 or book online at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/reedham-community-association>. Tickets cost £4.50 starts 7.30pm

Mon 18th March Monthly Cash Bingo eyes down 7.30pm look out for posters with jackpot details

Weds 27th March Whist Drive 2.00pm in the lounge. New members most welcome

The RCA stage school has new session times on Wednesdays Ages 6 to 10 6.00pm to 7.30pm Ages 10 to 16 7.30pm to 9.00pm cost £2.00

Looking ahead to April:-

Weds 10th April showing on the big screen will be Laurel and Hardy starring Steve Coogan <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/reedham-community-association>

Sun 14th April Easter Egg Hunt 2 to 4 pm

If you would like to book the hall please contact Angie on 07585 504199 who will be happy to help you or contact her through the village hall website at www.reedhamvillagehall.co.uk

Thank you to everyone who supports or helps at the events we hold.

Reedham Community Association Committee

Reedham Churchyard Group

On Wednesday 20th March we hope to be planting bulbs at the churchyard (snowdrops/bluebells/aconites) as part of the churchyard maintenance group. The kids from Reedham primary are coming to help, but even with this free labour, 300 bulbs is quite a lot.

The bulbs are in memory of Alan, Maureen's husband, who was an active member of the churchyard group and could always be relied on to turn up with his pruning saw and to keep things tidy.

We will start work on tidying at 10.30am and hope that the children will turn up around 1pm to plant the actual bulbs. Help at any time on the day would be much appreciated. If you plan to come for the whole time, bring a packed lunch and we can make tea/coffee in the church.

Mary Jones

SCHOOL GOVERNOR

There is currently a vacancy for a School Governor. As a Governor, this voluntary role provides the opportunity to participate in the strategic decision-making processes that affect our school. Governors work as a team and are responsible for making sure the school provides a good quality education for all pupils. Raising educational standards in school is a key priority. They do this together with the head teacher, who is responsible for the day-to-day management of the school.

There are no particular qualifications or requirements, other than a willingness to give time to the role and a capacity for working with other people. Governors meet about eight times a year and meetings generally last about 2 hours.

Any enquiries should be made to

Sandra Winter, Clerk to the Governors clerk@reedham.norfolk.sch.uk

Further information available at: <https://www.nga.org.uk>

Reedham Gardening Club

As the days lengthen, we can enjoy being outside and begin to plant seeds such as sweet peas. Annuals need a little protection to start their growth. Winter flowering shrubs can be cut back and mulch applied and grasses cut down. We need to watch for slugs and snails as they will become more active. Soot and wood ash are good deterrents, although there are some slug pellets available such as ferric phosphate which are less harmful to birds.

In the vegetable garden, broad beans, garlic and shallots can be planted. At the end of the month we can 'chit' potatoes ready to plant at Easter.

Reedham Village Show – Sunday 18th August 2019

At the meeting in February, the schedule was discussed and a few alterations made to add variety. The schedules will be delivered with the July Outlook. Janet

Liturgical Colours

There has always been a bit of confusion about which colours are used in church at various times of the year. Perhaps the following will help you remember!

A lady in the parish once decided to ensure
That the Church's ritual colours matched the underwear she wore.
And so – for Christmas, Easter and the Saints' Days pure and bright
The priest and congregation knew her underwear was white.
For all the Holy Martyrs' band whose precious blood was shed
And for the feast of Pentecost, she took the colour red.
In Advent and in Lent the lady competently strove
To choose the penitential colours, violet, purple, mauve.
Good Friday was a special day, and so upon her back
She wore with pride (and some panache!) a set of smalls in black.
At other times throughout the year her underwear was seen
To complement the natural world in various shades of green.
At last on Maundy Thursday (your indulgence I entreat)
They stripped the church of colours – so this line remains discreet!
Besotted by her underwear, the Vicar always knew
The colours of the Church's year – he'd seen them through and through.
They brought a sparkle to his eyes, excitement to his life –
But – judge him not too harshly friends – the lady was his wife!!!

Contributed by Helen Greenland.



Limpenhoe Churchyard's new hedging - see article inside.



Above and left - the Benefice Bring and Share meal with Bishop Alan on 3rd February after the Benefice Service.



Right - the congregation processing out to the Composting Toilet during the Benefice Service.



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