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Thatchers completing the Acle Thatch repairs.

OUTLOOK

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From the Rectory

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Corporate evening worship has declined in the Church of England. Worship in the evening has a different quality from worship in the full light of day. Christians inherited from Judaism the practice of worshipping as light turns to darkness, but gave a fresh significance to the time of the “lighting of the lamps” as an opportunity to welcome anew the one who, according to John, was in the world like a light shining in the darkness – Jesus Christ.

John’s Gospel often plays on the theme of darkness and light. As Jesus draws closer to the cross, the darkness deepens. He told his followers, “Walk while you have the light, before darkness overtakes you.” But, more encouragingly, he also taught that those who put their trust in him would gain light within themselves, becoming “children of light”.

With the equinox more than a month ago, the clocks having gone back, we enter November on the feast of All Saints – those whom the Bible often depicts as points of light, such as sparks, or stars; who stand out against the background of human history and human sinfulness as figures of faith, endurance, love, or sacrifice.

Darkness and light are opposites; but they are not equals. Scientifically, darkness is just the absence of light. Darkness cannot quench light: light always banishes darkness – as when you turn on a torch or light a candle. However oppressive the powers of darkness, the light will dispel them – as surely as All Saints follows Hallowe’en.

It feels as though it could be a long, dark winter, with many of the usual light sources along the way extinguished or dimmed by Coronavirus restrictions. We may know more about the disease, but we’re not as unified in our response as back in the spring. Political fault lines are developing; people are getting fractious; some are feeling particularly vulnerable or hard done by; others are starting to feel exhausted.

Against this background, we need to cherish those people and things which are points and sources of light for us. People who remain cheerful, or supportive, or make the best of things. Things around us which lift our spirits or help us to keep going. And we should try to cultivate the light within us – for some, that will be the light of faith – that we might see our own way more clearly and become a source of light for others. Until a new day dawns.

In the love of God,

Martin Greenland

Parish Registers

Funerals

We commit to God –

Ethel Barbara Ewles, aged 88, on 30th September at St Edmund’s, Acle

Sheila Margaret Lees of Beighton on 13th October at Gorleston Crematorium.

Burial of Ashes

Roy Edward Brister, on 3rd October at Sts Peter’s and Paul’s, Halvergate

St Edmund’s News

St. Edmund, Acle will be holding its annual Gift Day on Saturday 14th November, at the Parish Hall Farmers’ Market (9am – 12 noon). With church collections down this year

the Gift Day will be more important than ever. A copy of the appeal letter will be 4. posted on abychurches.co.uk; there are also ways to give on-line or by post:-

- At www.peoplesfundraising.com/wall/st-edmunds-church-acle (or, if you prefer JustGiving, at www.justgiving.com/aclepcc).
- By bank transfer to “Acle PCC”; sort code 20-99-21; a/c 10402850; reference “Gift Day”.
- By delivering or posting a donation to The Rectory, Norwich Road (NR13 3BU); make cheques payable “Acle PCC”.

Cleaners needed

New cleaning volunteers are needed for St. Edmund’s Church, Acle, as our long-serving couple Peter & Maureen Kingsley prepare to step down – thank you to them for their dedication. With three congregations using the church, plus funerals and visitors, regular cleaning is essential as part of our Coronavirus precautions. Don’t worry if you can’t manage weekly: any commitment would be welcome. Please contact Maureen Gage (tel. 298981) to find out more.

Thatching – Now completed and fully funded – thanks to Broadland Thatchers and all our supporters

November in the Garden – Reedham Gardening Club

Send off for seed and plant catalogues and start planning what to grow next year.

Continue planting spring bulbs for next year.

Lift dahlia tubers after the first frost, clean them off and store in dry compost in a cool, frost-proof place.

Plant bare-root hedging, roses, trees and shrubs, before the weather turns really cold.

Collect fallen leaves and place in bin bags, then leave to decompose into leaf mould.

Support top-heavy brussel sprouts with sturdy canes, and pile earth up around the stems for extra stability.

Tidy up strawberry beds, cutting back old foliage and congested runners and removing any weeds.

Check stored crops for signs of rot or deterioration.

Remove pond pumps and fountains to prevent ice damage when temperatures fall below freezing. Also net ponds to prevent leaves falling into them. If you need to remove pond weed then lay it next to the pond for at least a day to allow wildlife to return to the water.

Ken

Rabbits in Reedham Churchyard

As many will know, we have a long-standing problem with rabbits and their burrows in the churchyard. We have arranged with a company to make a cull and this may mean that access to the churchyard is occasionally restricted – there will be a notice in place to warn of this at the time. It will not cure the problem permanently but we hope there will be some improvement. Sorry, rabbits, but enough was enough.

Kati Cowen

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2nd A Thrower 578

3rd K Almond 403

4th D Crisp 345

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Reedham Village Hall

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After being closed for 6 months the village hall is now able to hold some events again with social distancing in place and following government guidelines

Weds 28th October Quiz Night 7.00pm £2.00 per person. Tables must be booked in advance on 01493 701107 and max of 6 per table. There will be table service for drinks and payment can be made by card. Mask must be worn when you enter the hall until you are seated.

Friday 6th November 7.00pm showing on the big screen will be Military Wives Cert PG starring Kristin Scott Thomas, Sharon Horgan and Jason Flemyng. The film centres around a group of women from different backgrounds whose husbands are away serving in Afghanistan. They come together to form the first Military Wives Choir helping each other through some of life's most difficult moments. Tickets are £5.00 and must be booked in advance on 01493 701107 to enable social distancing and mask must be worn when entering the hall until you are seated

These events are subject to change so please check the village hall website for updated information www.reedhamvillagehall.co.uk

Reedham Community Association Committee

'DISCOVERING ART IN A CHURCHYARD' by Mary Blanche.

For the last year I have been working on a book about Reedham churchyard. The book is all about old Headstones, beautifully sculpted by stonemasons of the past - some as many as two centuries ago. Attention is drawn to the explained symbolisms, designs and inscriptions. The selected collection - all photographed in full colour, are from our churchyard only, illustrating the beautiful art of sculpting by stonemasons many years ago, just using hammer and chisel. Many of its descendants still living of course in Reedham and beyond!

A number of the Headstones are suffering from erosion and delamination and unfortunately in some cases, the artwork in the end will disappear. With this book they will survive for later generation, albeit on paper.

The book is also an invitation to its reader, and learn of what can be found on our doorstep; in our own parish churchyard or when visiting churchyards elsewhere. Just look around and you will find it.

A small selection of modern headstones are also included, but only just a few.

The price of the book is £15.00. To purchase a book please ring me on 701262 or visit my website www.maryblanche.co.uk

The intention is, that profits made from the book – after expenses and in consultation with the P.C.C., will be for the benefit of a project in Reedham's Churchyard.



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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AND DAY 8.

Unfortunately, Coronavirus restrictions mean it will not be possible to offer the usual range of Remembrance Sunday services this year. We are making some alternative provision for people to make their own act of remembrance.

Acle – the memorial display at the rear of St Edmund's Church will be open from 10am – 5pm, Thursday to Saturday 7th and Monday 9th to Wednesday 11th (subject to any funerals). Leave a poppy or a cross in the trough to mark your visit.

Cantley – church open as usual on Sunday 8th November and additionally on Weds 11th.

Reedham – you are invited to make your own 'household' Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at any time on Sunday 8th or Wednesday 11th. There will be some words to read if wanted and an artificial poppy, a cross or a night light can be left on the bank to mark your visit. Wreaths will be laid at 11am on Sunday, but because of the difficulties of Social Distancing and the risk from passing traffic, please could just those immediately involved attend.

Video Service – a special Video Service with the names of all the Fallen from our Parishes, film from around the area and a personal recollection of World War II will be available from Sunday 8th November to follow in your own homes via

<https://www.abychurches.co.uk/prayer/>

For other Acts of Remembrance please see the Calendar. Face coverings are required inside and may be specified outside; at all services maintain social distancing and do not mingle beyond your group of up to six. If you want to attend St Botolph's, Limpenhoe and this is not your usual church, please contact John Mules (701831) to check there will be room.

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Reedham Charity: The Fishermen's Mission

SUNDAY 1st All Saints

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Zoom service – contact Rector for details

11.00am Holy Communion – Halvergate

11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Monday 2nd 7.30pm Reedham Parish Council – Village Hall or Zoom.

Friday 6th 7.00pm 'Military Wives' – film at Reedham Village Hall

SUNDAY 8th Remembrance Sunday (see also previous article)

10.45am Service & Wreath Laying (AWA led & with Bugler)

– Limpenhoe

10.45am Remembrance Service –

Freethorpe Methodist Church

10.45am Act of Remembrance – Halvergate War Memorial.

(One person per family, please) *Note: No service to follow in church this year.*

11.00am Wreath laying – Acle War Memorial Recreation 9.
Centre (see *All about Acle* on Facebook.

(Church Service is by invitation only.)

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

12 noon Act of Remembrance – Beighton War Memorial

Throughout the day an on-line video Service will be available at
<https://www.abychurches.co.uk/> covering all our villages.

Monday 9th Mobile Library Day – Beighton, Limpenhoe and Cantley

Saturday 14th 9am – 12 noon Acle Farmers' Market (Parish Hall)
St Edmund's annual Gift Day.

SUNDAY 15th 2nd Sunday before Advent

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Zoom service – contact Rector for details

11.00am Holy Communion - Reedham

Monday 16th OUTLOOK COPY DATE

Mobile Library Day – Halvergate, Reedham & Freethorpe

SUNDAY 22nd CHRIST THE KING

9.30am Zoom service – contact Rector for details

9.30am Holy Communion – Limpenhoe

10.00am Morning Worship - Freethorpe

11.00am Holy Communion – Acle

1.00pm Christmas Fayre – Reedham Village Hall

SUNDAY 29th ADVENT SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Zoom service – contact Rector for details

11.00am Holy Communion – Beighton

11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Looking forward into December:-

SUNDAY 6TH 2nd of Advent

9.30am Zoom service – contact Rector for details

9.30am Morning Worship – Limpenhoe

9.30am Holy Communion – Wickhampton

11.00am Morning Worship – Acle

11.00am Holy Communion – Halvergate

4.00pm Freethorpe Village Carols – Zoom



All face to face meetings are currently suspended on the advice of the National Federation of Women's Institutes, but activity has not ceased. We continue to keep in touch via our facebook page (Reedham&District WI), and will be meeting up for occasional zoom socials. We are able to continue to walk as an organised group, and plan a local walk every 2-3 weeks, while the weather allows. This means that we can catch up with each other and offer mutual support through this difficult time. The book group is starting up again, although our discussions will have to be virtual and if it would only stop raining, up to 6 of us might enjoy a socially distanced bike ride! Any women interested in joining our group can get in touch via www.thewi.org.uk.
Mary Jones

Late September walk at North Burlingham

Reedham Ringers

The ringers are only able to ring in a restricted fashion before Sunday service for 15 minutes every fortnight. You may have noticed some odd sounds coming from the tower. This is because, in order to maintain a 2 metre gap between individuals, we are only allowed to ring non-adjacent bells and no practice is permitted! The good news is that guidance may soon be relaxed in areas where the risk is lower, which would allow us to ring 5 of the ring of 6, the original bells as they were hung in the early 19th century. This should sound more musical. Meanwhile, we have established a handbell ringing group which practices at Reedham church every Monday morning (in batches of 6).



Three members of the Reedham band who rang for the service on 4th October with their newest, smallest recruit.

We also practice at a virtual on-line tower every Monday evening at 7.30pm. If you are interested in joining us, then please do get in touch. The virtual tower is great fun and it allows beginners to try out church bell ringing, without all the bother of having to handle a real bell. A glorified computer game, but a game that is played as a band and involves all the same theory and patterns of the "real thing". Young people may find it particularly attractive, and then if you enjoy it, you might like to have a go on the real thing once conditions allow teaching again.

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A few statistics to note, on top of developments costs of £43,892 (including VAT):

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Professional Fees	Architect, Quantity Surveyor, Structural Engineer, Wildlife Consultant, Archaeologist	23,971	
Repairs & Conservation	Contractors	235,420	
Improvements	Kitchenette, Toilet	24,906	
Activities	Interpretation Board, Church Guide, Church Trail, Children's Area	2,209	
Other costs	Inc mains water, insurance, building control	6,649	
VAT		57,048	
		<u><u>350,203</u></u>	

fundraising events held over the two years prior to work commencing raising almost £20,000! Now for a few months' rest ...

Meeting held on Monday 5th October 2020 online via Zoom

There were 7 Councillors present, the Clerk, County Councillor Brian Iles, and District Councillor Grant Nurden. 4 members of the public were in attendance. The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

A minute's silence was held in remembrance of Chris Ward, a much valued former Parish Councillor and someone who was pivotal in the reopening of the permissive path. He will be greatly missed.

County Councillor Brian Iles reported that the budget is currently being discussed. There is a traffic light scheme for each department depending on their ability to making savings. 2/3rds of the Adult Social Care proposed savings are red. The Schools budget looks much better and are on target to achieve savings. There will probably be a deficit of £19m. There are Government schemes to help mitigate this but a deficit is still likely, which will mean an adjustment to Council Tax, currently scheduled for 1.99% with possible additional funds for ASC.

Highways have done extremely well under difficult circumstances. 1,000 calls over flooding were dealt with within 48 hours and they are to be congratulated. They will achieve their savings and still provided a good service.

District Councillor Grant Nurden reported that the GNLP is to have a further consultation, which has pushed back the implementation date to Nov/Dec 2022. Broadland's meetings are now livestreamed on YouTube, where they have their own channel.

The deadline for responses to the Planning White Paper is the 29th October. Broadland have drafted a response which can be found in the Council papers for the Place Shaping Committee, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and Cabinet. It is a proposed dramatic change of direction for planning application approval and Local Plans.

The Chairman of the Village Hall Committee Chris Bradbury provided the following information: The playground at the Village Hall is now open. Sanitiser stations have been installed around the playground for people to use and notices that the playground is not sanitised. Fenland Leisure have completed the repairs to the zip line and repairs to the swings in the small play area. Play equipment safety inspections are still being carried out. The psychic medium event in September went well and kept to the Government guidelines.

We have a Halloween Quiz night on Wednesday 28th October at 7pm.

We should be having scaled down Bingo next month, see website and notices for details.

The bonfire and fireworks display is cancelled for this year but hopefully the Christmas Fayre will still go ahead on the 22nd November, starting at 1pm, but this is still to be confirmed.

1 planning application was considered:

- variation of condition of planning permission 20141918 - change of design of dwelling at Thickthorns, 12 Church Road, NR13 3TY. The application is for a new layout of the dwelling. The Council had no comments.
- 28B Station Road is now called Hoolie House.

- A new licensing application for the Berney Arms was discussed. The proposed opening hours are reduced from the previous application. No comment will be submitted. **14.**

During September the speed sensor was located on Freethorpe Road opposite Station Drive monitoring traffic heading towards Freethorpe. 2 vehicles registered 55mph during the month, the 85th percentile speed was exactly 30mph. Unfortunately a total of 2,110 vehicles were exceeding the 30mph speed limit, 435 of these by more than 35mph. Previously (July 2019) we saw 60mph maximum and 31.5mph for the 85th percentile. This month the sensor is on Pottles Lane at the Witton Green junction.

There are currently no plots available at the allotments but if you would like to go on the waiting list please contact the Clerk or any member of the Allotment Association.

All the infrastructure for the Permissive Path is now installed and the path is open for walkers. The steps on the river bank were installed in the wrong place and will hopefully have been moved by the time the Outlook is printed. The Council are looking into a formal opening ceremony at some point.

There will be a short Remembrance Service at the War Memorials but the Parish Council would ask that, during these times of Covid, just the wreath layers attend. Parishioners are welcome to 'plant' small commemorative crosses at a time of their own choosing as an Act of Remembrance.

The defibrillator at Cupcakes is to be moved to the back of the Quay Rangers hut.

Time and Date of Next Meeting.

Monday 2nd November 2020 at 7.30pm. Details of whether the meeting will be online via Zoom or in the Village Hall will be published on the website, Facebook page and noticeboard by the Doctor nearer the time. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

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Sadly it seems there will be no more monthly meetings until things have greatly improved but on a positive note our W. I. walking group have donned their walking boots once again. Four of us set out (on a fine morning for once) on a circular walk from Horsey Mill to Horsey beach where we were delighted to see large groups of seals basking on the sands. Then back to the car park for coffee and a bite to eat. Two of our members also had great fun taking part in the Norwich Treasure Hunt, on foot, organised by the Federation Office. A marvellous opportunity to learn more about our great city, albeit in driving rain!

So some things with a bit of ingenuity can continue. Take care

Jane Crossley

General Knowledge Crossword

Across

8. Throw all players (4)
9. Frozen water (3)
10. Small insect (6)
11. Division within benefice (6)
12. Sir Laurence __, actor (7)
13. Begin fighting or collect body parts (4,2,4)
14. Stringed instrument (4)
16. Brand of oven (3)
17. TV talent show (1,6)
18. Japanese sash (3)
21. Units of electricity (4)
23. Accounts in deficit (10)
26. Lies with arms spread (7)
27. McKellen, Dench and Tennant (6)
28. Brandy (6)
29. Female sheep (3)
30. Level (4)

Down

1. Fruit (6)
2. Type of dirty glass in Church (7)
3. Graham Usher; Do you know him? (6,2,7)
4. Becoming, Michelle Obama (6)
5. Evil type of chocolate desserts (6,4,5)
6. System of dots used by blind (7)
7. Glass you might hold (6)
13. Crown (5)
15. Leaves stage (5)
19. Air played in underwear (1,6)
20. Holder for cutlery (7)
22. Lucky charm (6)
24. Moveable feast (6)
25. Bulls eye (6)

The completion of the Beighton Church Improvements is celebrated with Bishop Alan and the new Altar

Frontal and Fall are dedicated.



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