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Tunstall : Limpenhoe, Southwood and Cantley : Reedham :
Wickhamton

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Left: Ian Bishop, the Bishop of Thetford at the Benefice Service at Beighton on 9th March.

Right: The Band and some of the Congregation at the World Day of Prayer, Freethorpe Methodist Chapel



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In Holy Week, the Church concentrates on presenting the events surrounding Christ's Passion to any who would take notice. Many don't, of course; as at the time, there will be many passers by. But for those of us in the Church who follow most closely, there is little to support any misplaced sense of spiritual superiority or complacency. The main characters in the Gospel accounts – many of whom should have known better – present us with the worst of human nature. The religious leaders conspire; the Governor gives in to them and condemns an innocent man; the servants of the state (the soldiers) do their job and mock and execute. Judas hands over his friend; Peter denies him; the twelve desert him.

As he walks to the cross, Jesus knows that others after him will also suffer rejection, injustice, torture and death at the hands of their fellow human beings. Luke tells of women lamenting in his train: Jesus turns to them and tells them to weep rather for themselves and their children, because worse is to come. As we are conscious in our own time of injustice and pain; of scapegoating and political expediency, we can be strengthened by the knowledge that Jesus chose to place himself among and alongside those who suffer such things.

Yet in the Gospel accounts, there are glimpses of the better side of human nature – some of them from characters who appear out of nowhere. The women from Galilee who stick with Jesus, albeit at a safe distance; and who come to his tomb as soon as they are able, albeit on an unnecessary mission. That was to anoint his body; but that had already been done by the unnamed woman who sensed his fate and responded with an expression of love and generosity. There was also the generosity and courage of Joseph of Arimathea, in providing Jesus with a tomb and burial, when nobody else was around to do it. And Luke tells of the recognition afforded Jesus by one of the criminals hanging next to him. Such acts of human love, faithfulness and courage can give us hope when the world seems to be heading in the wrong direction.

And throughout it all is Jesus: thinking of others; praying for those who've crucified him; speaking kindly to the penitent thief. And after his resurrection, sending word through Mary Magdalene to those who'd denied and deserted him. For the good news of the divine victory of love and life over sin and death is for all.

Including those passers by. Simon of Cyrene was compelled by the soldiers to carry Jesus' cross. Commentators think that the very fact that we know his name (and that Mark gives us the names of two of his sons) means that for him this wasn't an isolated, one-off encounter with the Son of God.

In the love of God,

Martin Greenland

Parish Registers

Funeral

We commend to God's keeping:-

Gordon Roy Carter, aged 87, on 3rd March at St Edmund's, Acle.

Church Notes

4.

The deadline for applications for the new church Electoral Rolls is Sun 13th April. The joint Annual Parochial Church Meeting for all parishes will be at Reedham on Sun 11th May (Benefice Holy Communion at 9.30am, followed by coffee, prior to the meeting at 11.00am). All on an Electoral Roll are entitled to attend; reports for the meeting will be posted at www.abychurches.co.uk/reports/ before the end of April.

The Meeting of Parishioners for the election of churchwardens for Wickhampton will be on Mon 7th April in St. Andrew's Church at 9.30am; and that for Beighton with Moulton on Sat 3rd May at 11.00am, during the *Drop-in* at All Saints' Church. Nomination forms are available and need to be with the Rector before the start of the meeting.

A churchyard working party is being planned at St. Edmund, Acle for Saturday morning, 5th April: contact the Rector for details.

Services for Holy Week: see attached table:-

| Date | Service | Time | Location |
|---|--|---|--|
| Palm Sunday 13 th April | Holy Communion | 8.00am 10.30am | St. Edmund, Acle Beighton Church |
| Monday 14 th April | Chrism Eucharist Compline (Night Prayer) | 11.00am 8.00pm | Norwich Cathedral St. Edmund, Acle |
| Tuesday 15 th April | Monthly Service <i>with hymns</i> Stations of the Cross | 10.30am 7.30pm | Swallowtail Place (Games Room), Acle St. Edmund, Acle |
| Maundy Thursday 17 th April | Holy Communion | 7.30pm | All Saints, Freethorpe |
| Good Friday 18 th April | Good Friday Service <i>with Procession of the Cross</i> Music & Readings for Good Friday | 10.30am 7.00pm | Acle Methodist Church <i>finishing at St. Edmund's Church Hall</i> Reedham Church (<i>with the Benefice Choir</i>) |
| Easter Eve Saturday 19 th April | The Easter Fire <i>with renewal of baptismal promises</i> | 7.30pm | Tunstall Church <i>(refreshments at Manor Lodge from 6.30pm)</i> |
| Easter Day Sunday 20 th April | Sunrise Service Holy Communion <i>(by extension at Reedham)</i> Morning Worship | 5.15am 9.30am 11.00am 10.30am 11.00am | Fishley Church Halvergate Church St. Edmund, Acle; Reedham Church Limpenhoe Church All Saints, Freethorpe |



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Our Beavers & Cubs had a busy Spring Term which included them completing their Space Badge amongst other activities. They went exploring outside to see what constellations they could find, and made brilliant models of the different planets. Meanwhile our Scouts have also been busy, with one of their

completed badges being the DIY badge which included them using tools to make their own bird feeders to put outside for the wild birds to enjoy!



We'd love some extra help from the wider community with our Scout Group. Maybe you'd be able to help out at sessions on Thursday evenings, helping to facilitate activities and help the young people. This could be with our Beavers, Cubs or Scouts, depending on which age group you'd like to volunteer with or what your interests are. We are also looking for additional Trustees to help keep things running in the background – this involves a couple of meetings per year and a few tasks in between to ensure things are running smoothly.

No experience is needed, just a willingness to get involved & support the young people in our local community! If you would be interested in finding out more, please register at <https://eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk/join/> or email p.thurston@norfolkscouts.org.uk

Reedham Jumble Sale.

Thanks to all of you that donated to the Jumble. Thanks to all of you who turned up on the day and got a great bargain. Thanks to the volunteers that helped to set up and sell on the day. The Jumble raises valuable funds for the Hall. The next one will be in August. See you then.

Reedham Belles (Reedham and District WI)

Our March meeting was a busy night, with the usual competition tables, sales table, refreshments and a very interesting talk by a representative of "Hodmedods" (a local word for hedgehogs). It was sad to learn that the UK population of these lovely animals has gone from 30 million to just 1 million in 50 years, but we were given lots of interesting information on how best to both support and help them thrive.

The Norfolk Federation of WIs held its annual meeting at the Theatre Royal in Norwich which gave the opportunity to connect with other groups across the county, whilst our local club had its usual walks, choir rehearsals and more. At our next meeting on Tuesday 1st April (always the first Tuesday of the month) Diane will be helping us produce floral centre pieces with her usual expertise. Reedham Village Hall 7 for 7.30pm, all welcome. Marion Small reedhamwi@outlook.com

Women's Night Out

All are welcome on April 2nd at 7.30pm to WNO meeting in Freethorpe Village Hall when Janet Edwards will be talking about The Venetian Waterways of Great Yarmouth.

'ACCESS 4 ACLE' IS NOW ON THE MAP!!

Jill Crossland is a true professional with a very impressive CV having performed at Wigmore Hall, Leipzig Gewandhaus, Vienna Konzerthaus, BBC radio 3 and 4, television and many other venues abroad. She has made a number of CDs and has her own YouTube channel.

Jill motored from Yorkshire to give her performance on Sunday 23rd February, which was a resounding success followed by a standing ovation. Her performance was a particular delight for the many classical music lovers in the audience.

There were also a number of people who attended that were unfamiliar with classical music but were enthralled and converted with Jill's mastery of the keyboard. My WhatsApp line proved this with the numerous rave reviews asking for Jill to return.

I asked Martin after the performance if he enjoyed the recital and he replied, "From the very first note!"

Further comments included how good it was to have these events locally to avoid travelling to Norwich or Great Yarmouth.

This performance would not have been possible without the help from the people in Acle. Marion Clarke, Mo Dagnall, Linda Smith, Mark McBride [especially for his loan of a comfortable adjustable piano stool], Mark Elliott, Anne Hubbard, Lynne Martin, Jillian Buckingham and all of those members who supported us from the Benefice, the Methodist church, the Roman Catholic church and those who kindly gave donations as they were unable to attend. Finally, Jill's very competent agent Ying Chang videoed the performance and very kindly has agreed to set up a YouTube channel for 'Access 4 Acle' to promote our cause.

Jill is an extremely talented pianist, but she is quietly humble and uses her musical skill to support local charities. Jill will be performing at St. Margaret's, Lowestoft, 28th March at 1pm.

Diane Wynne-Fitzgerald

Beighton Church

We have a bat evening booked with the Bat Conservation Trust on Tuesday 13th May which will include a Powerpoint presentation followed by a walk around the churchyard – Date for the Diary!



Also, note that the usual Beighton All Saints' Drop-In has been moved to the 3rd May, with another at the end of May. This is because the Ceilidh is on the 26th April – get your dancing shoes ready instead!

Reedham Churchyard tidy up.

It is time to dig out the gardening gloves and hand tools for the first clear up of 2025.

There is a new contractor who will be responsible for the grass cutting this year and we also welcome the help of the Bure Valley Conservation Group Volunteers in the management of the conservation area. However, local volunteers remain responsible for general tidying, pruning, weeding etc.

I propose that we meet on Tuesday 15th April @ 10am. There is a fair bit of fallen wood that needs picking up before the mowers do the first cut, a job suitable for any children who are on holiday and need an activity.

Coffee/tea and cake will be provided so it would be helpful if you let me know if you are able to come and help. If the weather is nasty, we will postpone.

Mary Jones

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How could He face the mocking jeers and scorn?
A painful penance He must pay, alone.
His heart as heavy as the cross that's borne,
A burden, straining sinew, bruising bone,
Footsoles scuff the soil, sharp stones split the skin -
Slow, bloodstained steps lead up Golgotha's slope;
Torment without masks agony within,
Such sad suffering suffocating Hope.
Flesh, mortal, tender, by thorn and nail torn,
Yields to a Promise from Heaven above,
Dies, leaving grieving loved ones rent, forlorn,
Yet to witness this Divine act of Love.
How can we face life's mocking jeers and scorn?
Share faith in His salving Spirit reborn.

Jamie McRobert

Cantley Flower Show (not just flowers!)

The Show is on Saturday 6th September 2025 at 2pm in Cantley Village Hall. All the details are on our website at Cantley.org/flowershow. Now is the time for taking photos, planting potatoes and other flower and vegetable seed. You can enter on line, print an entry form from the web site or wait till end of July/beginning of August for your paper copy to come in this year's program. We still have a vacancy for Secretary. Robert 07930 951505

CHURCH FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY

WICKHAMPTON, FREETHORPE & REEDHAM CHURCHES

Everyone is invited to place flowers in Wickhampton or Freethorpe or Reedham churches, where you choose, in memory of loved ones on Easter Eve, Saturday 19 April, in readiness for Easter Sunday, together with a card containing the names of those being remembered. Traditionally, during the season of Lent, no floral arrangements are placed in church, until a glorious display of spring flowers on Easter Day.

WICKHAMPTON CHURCH: NEW NOTICEBOARDS

Our sincere thanks go to Bob Ottaway – village resident and Friend of Wickhampton Church – who has most generously donated two hand-crafted noticeboards for the church porch. (See photo).
Wickhampton PCC

NORFOLK CHURCH TOURS: SUNDAY 27 APRIL 2025

Norfolk Church Tours will be visiting the churches at Reedham (2.30pm), Wickhampton, Halvergate and Tunstall (with a short service), in that order, on Sunday 27 April 2025. Refreshments available for tour members at Wickhampton church from 3.30pm. For further information: Lyn Stilgoe (01328) 738237.

Friends of Wickhampton Church

APRIL CALENDAR

10.

Reedham Charity: The Fishermen's Mission

Weekly

Tuesdays 9.30am Ecumenical Morning Prayer – Acle Methodist Church (except 15th April)

1.30pm Reedham Over Fifties Club – Reedham Village Hall

Saturdays 5.00pm Roman Catholic Mass – Acle Church (except 20th)

Tuesday 1st 7.30pm Reedham Belles – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 2nd 7.15pm Acle & District R.B.L – Bure Room, Acle

7.30pm Women's Night Out – Freethorpe Village Hall

Friday 4th 6.30pm School Easter Bingo – Reedham Village Hall

Saturday 5th am Churchyard Working Party – Acle Churchyard.

SUNDAY 6th 5th of LENT

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate

9.30am Holy Communion - Wickhampton

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

11.00am Holy Communion - Freethorpe

11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Monday 7th 9.30am Annual Parish meeting (to elect Churchwardens) –

Wickhampton

7.00pm Acle Annual Parish Meeting – Acle Methodist Church

7.30pm Reedham Parish Council – Reedham Village Hall

Thursday 10th 7.30pm Acle Evening W.I. – Acle Parish Hall.

Friday 11th 7.30pm Film Night – 'Thelma' – Reedham Village Hall

Saturday 12th 9am – noon Farmers' Market – Acle Church Hall

2.30pm – 3.30pm Reedwarblers Choir – Limpenhoe Church

SUNDAY 13th PALM SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

10.30am Benefice Service – Beighton

Deadline for Church Electoral Role applications

2 – 4pm Easter Egg Hunt – Reedham Village Hall

7.30pm Nomads Quiz – The Ship

Monday 14th 11.00am Chrism Eucharist – Norwich Cathedral

8.00pm Compline – Acle

Tuesday 15th 10.00am Reedham Churchyard Tidy

10.30am monthly service Games Room at Swallowtail Place,
Acle, (visitors welcome)

7.30pm Stations of the Cross - Acle

7.30pm Quiz Night – Reedham Village Hall

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

Maundy Thursday 7.30pm Holy Communion – Freethorpe

Good Friday 10.30am Good Friday Service with Procession of the Cross –
Acle Methodist Church

7.00pm Music & Readings for Good Friday with ABY Choir –
Reedham

Easter Eve 9 – 12 noon Breakfast Café – Limpenhoe Village Hall

7.30pm The Easter Fire – Tunstall Church.

SUNDAY 20th EASTER DAY

5.15am Dawn Service with Acle Churches Together – Fishley

9.00am Roman Catholic Mass - Acle

9.30am Holy Communion - Halvergate

10.30am Morning Worship – Limpenhoe

11.00am Holy Communion – Acle

11.00am Holy Communion by Extension – Reedham

11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

Monday 21st 7.30pm Cash Bingo – Reedham Village Hall

Saturday 26th 7.30pm Ceilidh – Beighton Village Hall

SUNDAY 27th 2nd of EASTER

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Matins – Halvergate

10.30am Morning Prayer - Beighton

11.00am Holy Communion – Freethorpe

2.30pm Norfolk Church Tour Reedham, Wickhampton, Halvergate &
Tunstall(6.30pm)

Monday 28th Mobile Library Day, Halvergate, Reedham & Freethorpe.

N.B. **No** Mobile Library for Beighton, Cantley & Limpenhoe in April.

7.30pm Reedham Annual Parish Meeting – Reedham Village Hall

Looking forward into **MAY** :-

SUNDAY 4th 3rd of EASTER

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

11.00am Morning Worship - Freethorpe

11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

Meeting held on Monday 3rd March 2025 in the Village Hall

There were 9 Councillors present, the Clerk, District Councillor Nurden and 5 members of the public. The meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

Lynne Hardy was co-opted on to the Council and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

D. Cllr Nurden reported that as part of the devolution process the County Council is now one of those preferred for the Mayoral authority for Suffolk and Norfolk, elections to be held in May 2026.

Broadland District Council have agreed a 0% council tax increase on their share of the tax, however council tax will still increase due to charges from other bodies. Charges for brown bins will increase by £3 per year.

A grant for Reedham Church for £1500 for churchyard maintenance for the year 2025-2026 was approved by the Council.

The Council accepted a quote of £890 + VAT from The Acorn Workshop for a lectern style aluminium frame interpretation panel, to be sited near the war memorial, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the crashing of the 2 B17 bombers on the marshes on 21st February 1944.

Cllr Endall will form a working group to assist him in assembling artwork for the panel.

Cllr Hale read the informal minutes from a meeting with Justin Coote of Badger Building held to discuss the 2nd phase Barn Owl Close development. Details of the build timetable, working times and footpath closure had been discussed and also information provided on contact arrangements during the build.

To encourage greater public attendance at the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 28th April, Cllr George and the Clerk are hoping to make this a more social occasion with an informal seating arrangement giving more opportunity for the public and councillors to mix, also with the provision of refreshments at the end of the meeting.

Speed sensor - In January the speed sensor was located in Mill Road near Church View Close facing North, collecting data from traffic entering the village. The speed limit here is 30mph.

The 85th percentile was 27.8 mph; the average speed was 22.2 mph. The average vehicles per day was 438.

Middle Hill traffic restriction - The consultation has been carried out and there were several objections to the proposals. This will now need to go through the delegated decision process with a timescale of 3–6 months.

REEDHAM PARISH COUNCIL LITTER PICK – SATURDAY 29TH MARCH 10.30AM

Broadland District Council supply bags, litter picking tools and high vis vests. Start and finish at the Village Hall, refreshments provided for all volunteers.

Time and Date of Next Meeting

13.

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 7th April 2025 at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall lounge. Further details will be published on the website, Facebook page and notice board by the Doctors nearer the time. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Reedham Village Hall

Cash Bingo 21st April Please check posters or social media for Jackpot details.

Film Night: Thelma 11th April at 7:30pm. Tickets cost £5.50 which can be booked online at www.reedhamvillagehall.co.uk or by calling 01493 701107.

Easter Egg Hunt on the 13th April 2-4pm. Hunt for 5 under and over 6's. Cost £3 per child (entry includes arts and crafts and Easter egg hunt.) Come along anytime. Tombola, games, crafts, refreshments and more! Fun for the whole family.

Quiz Night 16th April at 7:30pm. £2 entry includes food. Raffle and Bar. Call 01493 701107 to book a table.

To commemorate the 80th Anniversary of VE Day RCA Theatre company & Stage School present Hope and Glory, a production about evacuees during WW2 at 7:30pm on the 9th and 10th of May. Tickets cost £6 for adults and £3.50 for kids. Refreshments, raffle and display of WW2 memorabilia.

Reedham Village Hall are having a community open day for clubs and local business on 31st May. Come along and find out what goes on in the local area. If you are interested in having a pitch please contact reedhamvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk

Reedham Fun Day 29th June 12pm-4pm. Featuring children's entertainment, music from Laura Daisy and RCA stage school, Viking re-enactors and a special appearance from Bluey. Stalls, games, Grand Raffle and refreshments.

Also on the day will be The Great Bake off. £3 per entry. Judging begins at 2:45pm. Cakes need to be registered by 1:30pm. Either register online at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/reedham-community-association> or on the day (booking fee applies online) for more details visit our facebook page.

If you would like to book a stall please either email Reedhamvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk or call 01493 701107.

Reedham Primary School

Reedham Primary and Nursery School has had another very busy and eventful term; Lego workshops, forest school sessions, world book day and science week - we have had fantastic learning opportunities and more to come!

Keep an eye out for our entry to the Break GoGo Safari in Norwich in the summer, join us for litter picking around the village, commemorate 80 years since VE Day with a picnic and join us for some Bingo at the village hall! We have lots to look forward to; our PFA will be organising an Easter hunt during the school holidays - join the fun!

Nomads Theatre Company

14.

We have finished our performances of our annual pantomime this year. We performed The Sleeping Beauty at Reedham Village Hall on 31st January and 1st February. We took almost £1,000 over our three performances, made a small profit and it was a huge success! Everyone who came to see the pantomime had a great time and everyone who was involved in the production had a great time too. It really is an honour to be a part of something that brings joy to so many people.

The next plan is to perform the same pantomime again (albeit a slightly shortened version) in Acle and possibly another village later this year for a couple of one-off performances.

In the meantime, we are continuing to hold our monthly quizzes at The Ship in Reedham, with the next quiz taking place on Sunday 13th April and Sunday 11th May at 7:30pm. We have teams of up to 6 people, £1.50 per person and we also have a raffle and a lucky squares board. Drinks and refreshments are also available from the bar as usual. There is no need to book a place.

If you have any queries about the Nomads Theatre Company or would be interested in joining our amateur drama group or helping in the next production, please call Kerri-Anne on 07824468242.

Our committee are currently reading scripts for the next pantomime, where rehearsals will begin in September and the three performances will be towards the end of January 2026.

OVER FIFTIES CLUB

Well, we are now hoping for the springtime weather which we know will make us all feel refreshed.

The time is flying by again it seems. We have two membership vacancies, so if you are thinking of joining us, do not hesitate come along to Reedham Village Hall any Tuesday at 1.30pm; the yearly subscription is £7.00 and the weekly sub is £3.00. This covers refreshments during the afternoon, a yearly calendar, birthday and special occasions buffets, all rounded off with a Christmas party at the hall and a Christmas lunch at the Acle Bridge all for £3.00 a week. You can make new friends and even join our bingo lottery if you would like at £1.00 per week and if you are lucky win a nice jackpot. So don't hesitate come and join us. If you don't drive then give me a ring and we will see if anyone living near you can give you a lift.

OVER FIFTIES LOTTERY NEWS

Our lottery was won on March 1st by two people Karen Smith and Olive Fox, they won £137.40 each and they both kindly gave our club a donation for which we are very grateful. Our lottery is open to non-club members as well so if you would like to join just give me a ring. This helps to support our club.

So now you know about us come and join, our club is open to all areas not just Reedham.

Angie Woolsey
Treasurer/Secretary
MOB: 07585504199

Acle Evening WI

March has been an extremely busy month for the members of Acle Evening WI; firstly, several members attended the Norfolk Federation of WI's annual meeting held at the Theatre Royal, Norwich. The same evening we welcomed Pete Goodrum to our monthly meeting. Pete is an excellent speaker and shared with us his memories of Saturday Night TV; it certainly took us all on a trip down memory lane.

Our monthly lunch club will take place this month at the Brickkilns, and we have been busy preparing for a craft day taking place on 27th March, when our very own talented members will be sharing their skills with some eager learners. In April we welcome Stephen Maunder from Norfolk County Council Trading Standards Service.

Stephen will update us on how we can all raise our own awareness by staying vigilant and protect ourselves against the ever-increasing scams, unsolicited phone calls and offers, requests for personal information, and staying safe when online.

Also, in April we will be hosting our second fundraising event of the year; we will be celebrating St George's Day with an afternoon tea.

Acle Evening WI meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the Church Rooms, Acle.

For further information please contact our president, Frances Mobbs, on [07780681865](tel:07780681865).

Reedham Churchyard

We are very pleased to announce that we have now engaged a contractor to do the mowing of Reedham Churchyard – he will be starting towards the end of April. Many thanks to the Parish Council for helping to fund this. It would really help if the little unauthorized statuettes and extra vases could be removed from graves by then. They make mowing so much more difficult.

However, we are also having to have 2 trees taken down, on 26th March, because they are diseased, and therefore a risk – and this is quite an expense. We are therefore still going to have to do some considerable fund-raising, despite the very successful Pancake Party at the beginning of March – see the back cover. It also means we will have to restrict access to the Churchyard on that date. We will be keeping the logs (Sycamore, Douglas Fir and Ash) – if anyone would like some, do take them but a (generous?) donation would be much appreciated.

A future fundraising event planned is the Reedham Ceilidh – get in some practice at Beighton on 26th April and then dance again at Reedham Church on 21st June – or watch the dancing while drinking and supping!

Acle Church Future Events 15.

MAY Sun 25

*AFRICAN BAND in the church
featuring Fr. Alvan on the drums*

JUNE Sun 29

*SUMMER FLING in the hall
With Sarah and Graham*

JULY Sun 13

*Rabbi Roderick 'Roddy' Young
in the church
with a taste of Kosher
delicacies.*

Sat 26 Summer Fair in the hall

AUGUST Sun 24

*STUFF & FOLLY in the hall
comedy sketches*

November Sat 29th

CHRISTMAS FAYRE in the hall

Acle & District Royal British Legion

We were very pleased to welcome over 40 people to our March meeting to hear Rich Potter give his extremely personal presentation "A Life Without Limbits". Rich covered the emotive topic of suicide and poor mental health after devastating injury but counterbalanced this with his own amazing zest for challenge culminating in winning a gold medal at the Invictus Games and becoming the first amputee to ever complete "The Snowman Trek of Bhutan" through the Himalayas. A collection raised £89.70 for BLESMA, the armed forces charity dedicated to assisting serving and ex-service personnel who have suffered life changing limb loss or loss of sight.

Our next speaker will be Andrew Taylor, Norfolk Armed Forces Commissioner and former Royal Army Medical Corps Officer who was seriously injured whilst serving in Afghanistan. His presentation will cover his past military life and his role in the future. The meeting will be held on Wednesday 2 April starting at 7.15pm in the Bure room, Acle Recreation Centre. All welcome. You do not need to be a member of the RBL to attend. Free entry, but a collection will be made for "Help For Heroes". Tea and coffee provided with Social Club bar open for other refreshments if preferred. For further details including enquiries about membership of the RBL please contact Jayne Smith on 07584 825749 or by email jaynesmith15@btinternet.com. Please be aware you do not need to be ex services to join the RBL.

Pathfinder Puzzle

The Gospels record that Jesus spoke seven times from the Cross. Begin at the 7th letter across on the 7th line down, move up, down or sideways (but NOT diagonally) to find the path through those seven sayings.

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Cantley & District W.I.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday April 16th at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall. We have invited Maria Pennington to be our speaker for the evening featuring her talk on The History of Pearls. For more information contact Barbara on 07789845050. New members always very welcome.

Lent Appeals

Anglican charity *USPG* is appealing for funds to support critical medical aid at the Diocese of Jerusalem's **Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza**. This is the hospital which Bishop Graham visited three days before the Hamas attack which sparked the present conflict. It is remarkable that the hospital has continued to offer care to all in the most difficult of circumstances, including a direct hit in October 2023. <https://uspg.org.uk/current-appeal/>
The hospital is also supported by Christian charity *Embrace the Middle East*: a recent video update from its Medical Director is at <https://embraceme.org/gazacrisis>

The Bishop of Norwich's Lent Appeal this year is local and rural in its focus, helping Norfolk charity *YANA* (You Are Not Alone) offer **mental health support to members of the farming community**. Farming has a higher than average suicide rate, usually attributed to stress in the industry, isolation of the workforce and the ready access to dangerous equipment. www.dioceseofnorwich.org/news-and-events/the-bishops-lent-appeal-2025/

Reedham Primary & Nursery School PFA Presents Fun Family Easter



Reedham Village Hall

4th April 2025
Doors open 6pm
Eyes Down 6.30pm

Refreshments Raffle
Books £7 1/2 Book £3.50

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Charity number 1085490

Reedham Village Show = Sunday August 31st

This includes exhibits of photography, a children's section, handicraft and vegetables. It is open to all villagers and surrounding villages. Come and have a look on the day.



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH BEIGHTON **DROP-IN CAFE** SATURDAY

03 May & 31 May

10:30 – 12:30

Coffee/Tea, Cakes, Scones and a Good ol' Mardle
Children's area with books, toys, crafts

Breakfast cafe

*Limpenhoe Village
Hall*

19th April

17th May

21st June

Time: 9 to 12

*Bookings:
Pat Bennett 07980 326347
pbfalconhouse@hotmail.com
Bookings will be confirmed*



*Community Cafe in
support of the Village
Hall and Church*

Pancake Party – see back page

This was much enjoyed – both for the freshly cooked pancakes (many thanks, Jonathan and Charlotte) and the excellent entertainment by Reedham Community Association Stage School.
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St. Botolph's Church

Limpenhoe NR13 3JB

are pleased to host the



Reedwarblers Choir

On

Saturday 12th April
from 2.30pm to 3.30pm



The Reedwarblers are a Broadland community choir who will be performing a wide selection of songs, from classics to Coldplay!

Tickets are £5.00 on the door (children are free)
There will be refreshments afterwards in the nearby village hall for which a small donation will be requested.



All funds raised will go towards the planned restoration and improvement of St. Botolph's Church.



ST GEORGE'S DAY

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DANCING TO

THE KEEL BAND

(www.keelband.org.uk)

Beighton Village Hall

NR13 3LA

SAT 26TH APRIL - 7:30PM

£12 inc refreshments

01493 751637 or kashcroft58@gmail.com

In aid of All Saints Beighton

Restoration & Improvements Appeal

Church of St John the Baptist Reedham

Rector: The Reverend Martin Greenland

MUSIC and READINGS for GOOD FRIDAY

18 April 2025, 7:00pm

ABY CHOIR of 24 voices

Conductor: Michael Nicholas

Organist: Timothy Patient

Music includes:

EXCERPTS FROM HANDEL'S MESSIAH
and

ANTHEMS by BYRD, STAINER and IRELAND

Admission Free

All Welcome



Above: Reedham & District W.I. (Reedham Belles) group photo on 4th March.



Above: 'Champing' at Limpenhoe.

Below: Limpenhoe Breakfast Café.



Above:
The new
noticeboards
at
Wickhampton.

Right: The
Pancake Party
at Reedham,
1st March.

