



The Benefice of Acle and Bure to Yare

Acle : Beighton with Moulton : Freethorpe : Halvergate with
Tunstall: Limpenhoe, Southwood and Cantley : Reedham :
Wickhampton

JULY 2025

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'Twinkle Toes', the walking group in Reedham Belles W.I., visiting St Benet's Abbey on their walk on 6th June.

Photo: Marion Small.



OUTLOOK

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Christian faith can express itself most authentically in the most challenging of situations: paying attention to that can be inspiring for those of us who witness in more comfortable surroundings.

That led to me paying two visits to Northern Ireland when I was in my twenties. In those days the sectarian struggle, with its religious division between Catholic and Protestant, was sometimes cited by opponents of Christian faith: *Just look at Northern Ireland....* On my first trip I was touring Ireland using my privilege train pass: at a formational time in my life, I was curious to see how followers of Jesus might be responding to the sectarian divide. It was during a lull in the Troubles, although the Good Friday Agreement was still years away. I was pleasantly surprised to find that I'd arrived in (London)Derry on the weekend of an ecumenical festival! Following a united service in the Church of Ireland cathedral, I was invited for tea by a Roman Catholic family, who made me very welcome and explained the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament I'd stumbled upon in a RC church the previous day. These good Christian relationships on the ground gave me hope for Northern Ireland's future, despite the partisan murals and the oppressive feel of the security defences.

I left them to make my way along the beautiful Antrim coast. Apart from the Giant's Causeway (which wasn't as giant as I'd imagined it to be!) and Rathlin Island (as seen on BBC *Springwatch*) I wanted to drop in on the Corrymeela Community's residential centre, having previously heard about it on a radio programme. This ecumenical, dispersed community of Christians operates two bases, in Belfast and outside Ballycastle, and specialises in providing support to, and bringing together, people from opposite sides of the divide, in safe surroundings. These might be politicians, or single mothers and their children from urban estates. Enjoying the hospitality and activities, they had the opportunity to associate with those they might normally shun and find that they faced similar challenges. My second trip was to do a two-week stint as a volunteer at the centre: a place where Christianity was being truly practised, rather than used as a sectarian label.

Although better times have come in Northern Ireland, Corrymeela's work continues, although I no longer follow it. These days, for similar inspiration, I would look to Christians in the Middle East. Here the tragic religious divide is between faiths, rather than denominations, while Christians are only a minority. UK charity *Embrace the Middle East* shows me that local Christians are responding to the serious challenges of living in the region by providing love and practical support to all in need, irrespective of national or religious identity. That might be working in Lebanon with young Syrian refugees traumatised by

violence; in Egypt with women with limited education; or with those in **4.** desperate need of healthcare in Gaza. In the latter case, one has to be impressed by the courage and determination shown by *Embrace's* partners to keep hospitals and clinics going, even when services have been disrupted or facilities destroyed by Israeli action.

It is encouraging and inspiring to know that, through his followers, Jesus continues to meet division and oppression with steadfast love, not least in the land where he walked.

In the love of God,

Martin Greenland

Parish Registers

Funerals

We commit to God's keeping:-

Roger Alexander Clarke, aged 84, on 23rd May at St Edmund's, Acle

James Moore, aged 82, on 27th May at St Edmund's, Acle

Parish Notes

A reminder that the Sisters of Bethany will be offering reflections on the subject of the journey of discipleship – 'We thought we knew' – at Church services in various churches.

The reflections will be offered from 6th July - 10th August and will also be made available in audio on the Benefice website.

At the end of the series there is an opportunity to have a time of discussion about the theme of discipleship over tea and cake with them at Grove Barns. If you are interested in coming along to a discussion group on Tuesday 12th August at 3pm, please sign up for this by 20th July. Depending on how many people are interested in this a further date can be added to ensure the group isn't too large for a time of discussion.

Contact Details for Discussion Group - sistersofbethany.norfolk@gmail.com or 01493 701993

Limpenhoe Pet Service will be on Sunday 27th July at 3pm and the monthly Ecumenical Service at Swallowtail Place is on 22nd July at 10.30am. All welcome.

Women's Night Out

All are welcome to WNO Meeting on Wednesday July 2nd at 7 30pm in Freethorpe Village Hall when Naomi Pierrepont-Davis will be giving us an insight into Commercial Archaeology in East Anglia

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Acle & District Royal British Legion

We were very pleased to welcome Kath Hutton, the Armed Forces Support Officer based in James Paget Hospital, to our May meeting. She gave a very useful presentation highlighting the various services which are available to help veterans locally.

Our next meeting on Wednesday 2 July will begin with a presentation "We'll Go No Matter What" given by a volunteer from Norfolk Blood Bikes who is bringing along a motorbike to accompany the talk. This will be held in the Bure Room, Acle Recreation Centre starting at 7.15pm. Free entry. Everyone welcome, as always, you do not need to be ex services or a member of the RBL to attend. If you are interested in what the Norfolk Blood Bikes do, please come along and find out.

We will not have a meeting on Wednesday 6 August, instead we will be raising funds for the branch by holding "Wally's Quiz". This will be in the Bure Room, Acle Recreation Centre 6.45pm arrival for 7.15pm start. £2 per person with maximum of 6 in a team. Teas & Coffees provided and the Social Club Bar will be open for other refreshments.

If you would like to book a table for the quiz, would like to join or require further information about Acle & District RBL please call Jayne Smith on 07584 825749.

Cantley & District W.I.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday July 16th at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall. The evening will feature a talk about the work of " Little Lifts". For more information contact Barbara on 07789845050. New members always very welcome.

Stall at the Reedham Community Event (see picture on the back cover)

Reedham Church had a stall at the Community Event in the Village Hall. We are seeking volunteers for Bell Ringing, Flower arranging, the Churchyard Maintenance Group and, of course, others to join us in regular worship.

K.C.

Reedham Churchyard Volunteers

(See photo on back cover)

Thank you to the volunteers who turned up in June to help tidy up the churchyard. We tackled a thicket of alexanders.

Alexanders, or Allsanders, are an edible flowering plant that grows on waste ground and in hedges around the Mediterranean and Atlantic coastal regions of Europe. It is often found close to the sites of medieval herb gardens and other historic places since it was grown as a pot herb. Perhaps our plants even owe their origin to the Romans who it is believed once had a structure where the church now stands. The young stems can be cooked like asparagus and it is one of the few fresh plants that can be eaten in February and March. The young shoots and leaves are also edible as well as the roots (not to be mistaken for hemlock which has a white flower and is poisonous). Alexanders fell out of favour in the 18th century after celery started to be mass produced and now only appears as an exotic "foraged" food in posh restaurants. The flowers are fragrant and visited by a wide variety of insects, but it is possible to have too much of a good thing and the plants were taking over.

Now much of them have been cut back allowing other, perhaps less dominant, plants to find a foothold.

The next date for the churchyard group will be **towards the end of July** – date to be confirmed nearer the time. This is because we don't yet know when the 'Conservation Mow' by the Bure Valley Conservation Group is likely to take place.

Please come and help if you have an hour or two to spare. It is a lovely, tranquil space and needs looking after.

Mary Jones

APOLOGIES! THE HOLY COMMUNION AT HALVERGATE ON 29TH JUNE IS AT 10.30am NOT 9.30am.

JULY CALENDAR

Reedham Charity: Norfolk Wildlife Trust

Weekly

Tuesdays 9.30am Ecumenical Morning Prayer – Acle Methodist Church (except 22nd July)

1.30pm Reedham Over Fifties Club – Reedham Village Hall

Saturdays 5.00pm Roman Catholic Mass – Acle Church

Tuesday 1st 7.30pm Reedham Belles W.I. - Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 2nd 7.15pm Acle & District R.B.L. – Bure Rooms,
Acle Recreation Centre.

Saturday 5th 2.00pm – 4pm Strawberry Teas – Beighton Church

SUNDAY 6th 3rd after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham (with Canon Peter Doll and
the Sisters of Bethany)

Monday 7th 7.30pm Reedham Parish Council – Reedham Village Hall

Thursday 10th 7.30pm Acle Evening W.I. – Church Rooms, Acle

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

SUNDAY 13th 4th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

10.30am Benefice Service – Limpenhoe (with Sisters of Bethany)

Monday 14th Mobile Library Day – Beighton, Limpenhoe and Cantley

Wednesday 16th Cantley & District W.I. – Cantley Village Hall
(Note: No Compline by Zoom this month because of holidays)

Friday 18th OUTLOOK COPY DATE (later than usual!)

Saturday 19th 9am – 12 noon Breakfast Café – Limpenhoe Village Hall

SUNDAY 20th 5th after Trinity

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9.30am Holy Communion – Halvergate
11.00am Holy Communion – Acle
11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham
11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe (with Sisters of Bethany)

Monday 21st Mobile Library Day – Halvergate, Reedham and Freethorpe
7.30pm Cash Bingo – Reedham Village Hall

Tuesday 22nd 10.30am Ecumenical Service at Swallowtail Place, Acle.

Friday 25th – Saturday 26th 7.30pm RCA Stage School – Reedham Village Hall

Saturday 26th 10am – 2pm Acle Summer Fair – Acle Church Hall
10.30am – 12.30pm All Saints' Drop-In – Beighton Church

SUNDAY 27th 6th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
9.30am Matins – Halvergate (with Sisters of Bethany)
10.30am Morning Prayer - Beighton
11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham
3.00pm Pet Service – Limpenhoe

2.30pm Reedham Stage School – Reedham Village Hall

NOTE: No Zoom Compline in July because of holidays. We hope to resume in August.

Looking forward into **AUGUST** :-

SUNDAY 3rd 7th after Trinity

10.30am Lammas Holy Communion (with FACT) - Tunstall
11.00am Morning Worship - Acle (with Sisters of Bethany)

Wednesday 6th

7.15pm Wally's Quiz – Bure Rooms, Acle Recreation Centre

REEDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 2nd June 2025 in the Village Hall

There were 8 Councillors present, the Clerk, District Councillor Nurden and 8 members of the public. The meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

The Clerk gave the following updates:

A bleed control kit has been put in the Riverside defibrillator cabinet and registered with the ambulance service.

Following a request from a resident, new dog fouling stickers have been attached to the planters on Riverside.

The Clerk also passed round a photo of signage delivered to the Reedham Quay Ranger today, 2nd June, giving details of mooring charges for the quay which are due to start immediately.

Cllr Nurden informed the Council that the election for a District Councillor for the Acle Ward had been won by the Reform candidate.

There is now a vacancy on the Parish Council. Elections at Broadland District Council have been notified and issued the Casual Vacancy notice. Application forms available from the Clerk.

A representative from Reedham School gave an update on behalf of the Head, Beth Spaul:

A meeting has been held with the CEO of the Consortium Trust about replacing or updating the school swimming pool. It is planned within the next 18 months to 2 years to either extend the pool, move it to another area within the school playground, or demolish it and pupils will attend swimming lessons at another facility in the area.

The consensus is for the school to extend and refurbish the pool, and then to make this available for public hire; this would cost around £350,000. The school are considering a swimming pool working group to raise funds.

The Parish Council are continuing with their efforts to clean and replace the tourist signs along Riverside. Cllr Mutton has checked the maps and the Perspex needs replacing on both signs. One map also needs replacing, the Council were advised that the cost of replacement should be less than £100.

The Clerk has received a quote of £225 + VAT for repairs to the slabs in front of the Millenium bench at the junction of New Road and Mill Road. The Council approved this cost for the works to go ahead.

In May the speed sensor was located on Station Road near the junction with Barn Owl Close, facing North collecting data from traffic entering the village. The speed limit here is 30mph.

The 85th percentile was 28 mph; the average speed was 21.5 mph. The average vehicles per day was 456. The number of vehicles per day is comparable to the data last collected at this location in November 2023.

Time and Date of Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 7th July 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

RCA Stage School presents two plays Muddle up Hall and The Reunion on the 25th - 27th July and the next theatre company performance in September 2025. Tickets cost £6 for adults and £3.50 for under 16.

Cash Bingo 21st July at 7:30pm. Please check posters for Jackpot details.

Join us on the 29th June 12-4pm for a summer fair for all the family. Free entry. Stalls, Raffle, Games, children's entertainment, RCA Stage School performance, singing from Laura Daisy, Viking re-enactors and a special appearance from Bluey!!!

There will also be the Great Bake-Off competition - £3 per entry. Judging begins at 2:45pm. Either register online at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/reedham-community-association> or on the day (booking fee applies online)

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

Out-door Car Boot and indoor Jumble sale 16th August. Outdoor 10-1pm and indoor Jumble sale 11-1pm.

Contact either reedhamvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk or call 01493 701107 to book a pitch.

Acle Evening W.I.

It has been a busy few months for the members of Acle Evening WI. In May, we welcomed our guest speaker, Stephen Poulter. Stephen gave a fascinating insight into "Becoming a House Detective" and the audience was captivated. Stephen shared his own experience of researching the history of the 17th-century Norfolk cottage he moved to in 2016 and the processes that led him to discover the owners and residents from over a 300-year-old period to the present day. He also shared how to become our own house detectives and where to start looking.

In June we celebrated our 47th birthday with members and guests, the entertainment took us on a journey of the life of a Bluebell Girl, with Jane Hogger. In July we welcome Alison Goodrum, who will be entertaining us with The Secret Life of a Milliner. New members are always welcome, please contact Frances Mobbs, President on 07780681865

Acle Evening WI meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7 for 7.30pm in the Church Rooms, Norwich Road, Acle.

Well, after our VE Day celebrations we have calmed down and returned to normal. We held our June birthday buffet for members with a June birthday. Thanks to everyone who contributed including our kitchen helpers Wendy & Sally who made jellies and scones with jam and cream. Thanks to Wendy Brister who always ensures that we have our bridge rolls and to Jane who helps Wendy to fill them. We welcomed back Irene Cooper after being away unwell, and hopefully Irene will continue getting back to good health. Beryl and Monica have been unwell and have been unable to attend club at the moment; we all wish them a speedy recovery. Next month will be our Norfolk Day and birthday buffet and Karl will reach retirement. The time just seems to be flying by and now the warmer weather seems to have arrived so make sure you all drink plenty to keep hydrated. The cash flyer was won by Irene Tibbenham £51.00

LOTTERY NEWS

The lottery was won very quickly this time by Jason Hardy, and we thank Jason for his donation to our club. The jackpot was £225.00. This is open to non-members too and costs £1.00 per week. If you would like to join please give me a ring.

If you would like to join our club, just come to Reedham Village Hall on a Tuesday at 1.30pm it is £7.00 for membership and £3.00 weekly subscription which includes refreshments, free raffle, birthday and celebration buffets, prize bingo, a cash flyer, a club calendar, Xmas party and our Christmas lunch at Acle Bridge. We do a cash raffle every month to raise funds which is split 50/50 between club and members, tickets are £1 per strip. We only have 3 membership vacancies at present so if you would like to join seize the day!!

I take this opportunity to thank members that give donations to our club. These are gratefully received and enable us to keep the weekly subs at £3.00. Food as we all know is not cheap these days and overheads e.g. rent, kitchen supplies etc. so your help is very much appreciated.

Take care and look after yourselves.

Angie Woolsey
Secretary/Treasurer
Mob: 07585504199

Reedham Village Show

Sunday 31st August 2025 Reedham Village Hall

Entries accepted from 8.30am till 11.00am

Could all 2024 winners please return trophies before the start of the show.

Sections you might like to enter are:

Photography, handicrafts, cookery, flowers, vegetables and flower arranging.

Hope to see you all there.

Schedule can be found at <http://reedhamvillagehall.co.uk/gardening-club>



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WALLY'S

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19th July

16th August

Time: 9 to 12

Bookings:

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*Community Cafe in
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"We'll Go No Matter What"

A presentation from Norfolk Blood Bikes



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Above: The Reedham Church Stall at the Community Day, trying to drum up support for various activities.

Below: War on the Alexanders, Reedham Church yard day.



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