

The Benefice of Acle and Bure to Yare

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

Wickhampton Church at Christmas 2022



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On Friday 15th November we attended the funeral of our old friend, John Orsborn. For very many years he was Editor of Outlook – in fact his name only came off the Contact list a few months ago when he was admitted to hospital; until then he had still been receiving copy.

Our memory is that he took over editing and printing the magazine when the Revd. John Adamson left in about 1980. In those early days he had to travel up to Freethorpe and print on the Vicarage machine there. He then very generously bought a second-hand Gestetner and ran all the copies off by hand at home – a long and tiring job, even considering that only Reedham, Limpenhoe and Cantley were covered in those days. The 'skins' had to be typed – and any mistakes covered with a special correction fluid, a messy procedure which didn't do the typewriter any good. As time went on, a better machine was purchased and was eventually moved to the Rose Room at Church, instead of taking up valuable space at John and Beryl's bungalow.

As well as his labours typing and editing copy, which involved literal 'cutting and pasting', he also designed and drew pictures for the front cover. His work expanded further when it was decided that all Reedham residents should have free copies – and again when Halvergate, Freethorpe, Wickhampton, and eventually Acle and Beighton were added to the Benefice.

This wasn't his only service to Church and Community – Bell Ringer, Church Warden, Treasurer, Churchyard mower the list is endless. He was a person of firm opinions, sometimes stubborn, but also showed moderation, gentleness and consideration. Much of this arose from his firm and orthodox Christian faith. He did not parade his faith, but neither did he conceal it. Talking to him in the last weeks of his life, it was clear he had no fear of death, but firmly believed in the resurrection of the Lord and of our own.

At this season, we enter into the period of Advent when we look forward to the second coming of our Lord. It is a time of considering our own commitment to be followers of Christ in both spiritual and practical terms. John was not faultless — even Archbishops of Canterbury aren't — but his commitment to the one Man who is, Jesus Christ, of time, money, talent and skill was an example to us all. In all the hustle and bustle of preparation for Christmas, when we are looking back to celebrate the birth of Jesus, let us also look forward and prepare for seeing him face to face at the resurrection of the dead.

Nicholas Cowen (Lay Minister) and Kati Cowen (Authorised Worship Assistant and Editor)

Parish Registers Funerals

We commend to God's keeping:-

Stella Mary Shepheard, aged 89, on 1st November at Great Yarmouth Crematorium.

John William Orsborn, aged 93, on 15^{th} November at St John the Baptist's, Reedham

Clifford Rapley, aged 67, on 19th November at St John the Baptist's, Reedham

Advent & Christmas 2024

Sunday 1st Dec	Tunstall Church	9.30am	Advent Service
Sunday 1st	Reedham Church	4.00pm	Christingle
Tuesday 3 rd	Acle Methodist Church	9.30am	Acle Churches Together Advent Reflection
Thursday 5 th	Acle, The Green	7.00pm	Carols on the Green with Broadland Band
Friday 6 th	Reedham Church	7.30pm	Advent Carol Service with the Benefice Choir
Sunday 8th	Freethorpe Village Hall	10.30am	Carol Service
Tuesday 10 th	Acle Methodist Church	9.30am	Acle Churches Together Advent Reflection
Friday 13 th	St. Edmund, Acle	7.00pm	Readings & Carols with choir and strings
Sunday 15 th	Cantley Church	2.30pm	Carol Service with Yare Folk
Sunday 15 th	Wickhampton Church	4.30pm	A Dickens of a Carol Service
Monday 16 th	St. Edmund, Acle	2.00pm	St. Edmund's Primary Academy (younger children)
Tuesday 17 th	Acle Methodist Church	9.30am	Acle Churches Together Advent Reflection
Tuesday 17 th	St. Edmund, Acle	2.00pm	St. Edmund's Primary Academy (older children)
Tuesday 17 th	Swallowtail Place, Acle	3.00pm	Coffee-bar Carols
Thursday 19 th	Beighton Church	6.30pm	Carols and Cake
Friday 20 th	Halvergate Church	6.00pm	Candlelight Lessons & Carols
Sunday 22 nd	Limpenhoe Church	2.30pm	Carol Service
Sunday 22 nd	All Saints, Freethorpe	4.30pm	Christingle & Carol Service
Christmas Eve	St. Edmund, Acle	4.00pm	Christingle in support of The Children's Society
Christmas Eve	Reedham Church	4.00pm	Crib Service
Christmas Eve	St. Edmund, Acle	11.00pm	Midnight Holy Communion
Christmas Eve	Limpenhoe Church	11.30pm	Midnight Readings & Carols
Christmas Day	St. Edmund, Acle	8.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
Christmas Day	St. Edmund, Acle	9.30am	Roman Catholic Mass
Christmas Day	All Saints, Freethorpe	10.00am	Christmas Family Service
Christmas Day	Reedham Church	11.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 29 th	All Saints, Freethorpe	10.30am	Holy Communion
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Wheelchair access to St. Edmund's Church, Acle: temporary access for assisted manual wheelchairs only can be arranged via the south porch (accessed via the gravel path from Norwich Road) using our existing ramp (the ramp slope is less than 1:6 but more than 1:8). Please advise the Churchwarden beforehand – see page 2.

Cantley & District W.I.

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday 18th December at 7.30.pm in Cantley Village Hall. This will take the form of our Christmas Party. For more information contact Barbara on 07789845050. New members always very welcome.

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The answer to last month's puzzle:-Thou art coming, O my Saviour, Thou art coming, O my King, In thy beauty all-resplendent, In thy glory all-transcendent; Well may we rejoice and sing; Coming! In the opening east Herald brightness slowly swells; Coming! O my glorious priest, Hear we not thy golden bells? Anglican Hymn Book no. 87

Missing Link

Fit 4 letter words into the central column so that each one connects with the word on the other side (e.g. second – hand – cuffs). Read down the initial letters of the answers to spell out a seasonal phrase.

CHERRY	 STALL
TRIED	 CHEESE
MAIN	 WORKS
BONE	 TALK
POLE	 SHINE
BED	 OUT
HAND	 SURE
MARBLE	 ANGEL
SWEET	 AROUND
FOOLS	 MINE
RUBY	 TONE
SCHOOL	 PAPER
FAR	 WIND
QUIZ	 SPORT
CAST	 BRIDGE
WRONG	 PAD
VERY	 ENOUGH
WAY	 SHOOT

Vowel Play

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Answers next month.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

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Reedham Charity: Royal National Lifeboat Institute

Weekly

Tuesdays 9.30am Ecumenical Morning Prayer – Acle Methodist Church Saturdays 5.00pm Roman Catholic Mass – Acle Church

SUNDAY 1st ADVENT SUNDAY

9.30am Advent Service - Tunstall

9.30am Holy Communion - Limpenhoe

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

II.00am Holy Communion – Freethorpe

4.00pm Christingle – Reedham

Monday 2nd MOBILE LIBRARY DAY – Beighton, Limpenhoe and Cantley

7.30pm Reedham Parish Council – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 4th 7.00pm Acle & District Royal British Legion – Bure Room Friday 6th 7.30pm Advent Carol Service with ABY Choir – Reedham

SUNDAY 8th 2nd of ADVENT

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle 10.30am Holy Communion - Beighton

10.30am Freethorpe Village Carols – Freethorpe Village Hall

Monday 9th MOBILE LIBRARY DAY – Halvergate, Reedham & Freethorpe

Friday 13th 7.00pm Carol Service - Acle Saturday 14th OUTLOOK COPY DATE

9am – 12 noon FARMERS' MARKET – Acle Church Hall

SUNDAY 15th 3rd of ADVENT

9.30am Holy Communion – Halvergate

11.00am Holy Communion – Acle 11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

2.30pm Carol Service – Cantley

4.30pm Carol Service – Wickhampton

Wednesday 18th 7.30pm Cantley & District W.I. – Cantley Village Hall Thursday 19th 6.30pm Carol Service – Beighton

Friday 20th 6.00pm Carol Service - Halvergate

7.30pm 'Cinderella Gone Missing' - Reedham Village Hall

Saturday 21st 9am – 12 noon Limpenhoe Breakfast Café –

Limpenhoe Village Hall

7.30pm 'Cinderella Gone Missing' - Reedham Village Hall

SUNDAY 22nd 4th of ADVENT

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
10.30am Morning Prayer - Beighton
2.30pm Carol Service – Limpenhoe
4.30pm Christingle – Freethorpe

2.30pm 'Cinderella Gone Missing' – Reedham Village Hall

Tuesday 24th 4.00pm Christingle – Acle

4.00pm Crib Service - Reedham

II.00pm Midnight Holy Communion – AcleII.30pm Midnight Carols – Limpenhoe

The Feast of the Nativity (CHRISTMAS DAY)

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle 10.00am Family Service – Freethorpe 11.00am Holy Communion - Reedham

SUNDAY 29th IST of CHRISTMAS

10.30am Benefice Service - Freethorpe

Monday 30th MOBILE LIBRARY DAY – Beighton, Limpenhoe and Cantley

Looking forward into JANUARY 2025 :-

SUNDAY 5th THE EPIPHANY

9.30am Holy Communion - Limpenhoe 11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

I I.00am Methodist Covenant Service – Freethorpe Methodist Church

Freethorpe & District Flower Show

Having seen so many new faces at this year's show you might like to note the date of the 2025 show which will be held on Saturday 23rd August. If you are out and about in the coming months and would like to enter the photography classes they will be: Anything Blue in the Landscape; Berries: Bridge(s); Black and White; Footwear; Farming Life; Celebration; Sport; Village Building (Freethorpe & District); Furniture; Musical Instrument(s).

'Nelson's Blood'

On October 13th, Acle was hit by a mighty Flood, not of water but of Music with a mainly watery theme. As well as raising money for much needed disabled access to St Edmund's Church, two Amazing Choirs joined forces to support the RNLI on the occasion of their 200th Anniversary.

We heard, in mainly four-part harmony, some rousing - and a bit saucy - Sea Shanties of course, but also some reggae, blues, musical theatre, world music, folk and a beautiful Italian song, Signore Delle Cime, which, appropriately enough in a church, is a prayer to God and the Virgin Mary, on the loss of a friend on a snowy mountain. If you would like to hear it (again?) you can find it on You Tube.

Perhaps the most amazing moment of the Concert was when a young amateur soprano called Kay, came out onto the Minstrels' Gallery and sang the beautiful soaring and climactic 'money notes' of Allegri's stunning Misereri. This type of 'classical' music is not usually, if ever, sung by a community choir; but under the dedicated Musical Direction of Meg Turpin, the members of Norwich Community Choir not only learned the music by heart, but also supplied their own heartfelt words to replace the original Latin. It was both moving and mesmerizing.

The finale was the rousing Nelson's Blood, which gave its name to the Concert. Unfortunately, on this occasion, I was unable to contribute much to the singing, but I introduced this piece with Suzanne Williams, the Leader of our almost local Village Voices, based in Brundall. The concert could not have taken place without their support so it was particularly pleasing, and nostalgic for me, to hear them sing something from Tie up your Fingers, a musical play about the Herring Girls, which, along with at least one other member of the audience, I was privileged to be a part of when it toured the East Coast, some years back.

Both choirs are always delighted to accept new members, especially men for those wonderful, and so important low notes.

The audience was sent out to an unexpected rendition of Auld Lang Syne- we hope to meet again the new friends we made that evening.

Themed refreshments, including approximations of the seafarers' Drop of Grog and Ships' Biscuits (without the maggots!) were provided most ably and enthusiastically by our Church Warden, Diane, and her amazing Team.

Also thanks to Marion, on the door, dealing with unprecedented numbers keen to part with their hard earned cash, and we raised , before expenses, the amazing amount of £1118:24!

Many thanks to Revd. Martin, and everyone who supported this extraordinary event, and if you weren't there.... where were you?

Jillian Buckingham, St Edmund's

Freethorpe Churches Together.

Village Carol Service on Sunday 8th December at 10.30 a.m. at Freethorpe Village Hall. We will asking the children to help assemble the nativity scene. Come and join us in singing favourite carols. This service is a wonderful way to start the Christmas season.

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We will be holding a very traditional Carol Service with Bible Readings and well-known Carols on Friday 20th December at 6pm. The evening starts with some traditional festive refreshments. A warm welcome awaits you.

WICKHAMPTON NEWS

Sunday 15 December 2024 at 4.30pm: "A Dickens of a Carol Service" at St Andrew's

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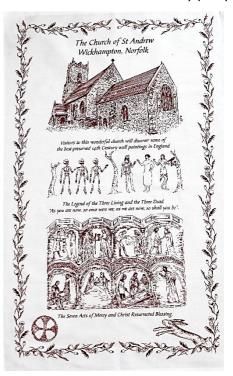
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Also available to purchase at our carol service on 15 December.

Sunday 12 January 2025 at 10.30am: Plough Sunday Service

Gear yourselves up for a chilly January morning, and celebrate the Blessing of the Plough at Wickhampton church. At last year's service someone's garden fork was blessed, apparently resulting in a bumper crop of veggies, so bring along your forks or spades for a blessing – we gardeners need all the help we can get!



Reedham Over Fifties

Well, here we are another month round, our club is now looking forward to our Xmas party and grand Christmas draw at the village hall on November 26th. Our party will start at 1.30pm, we will also be celebrating November birthdays. The next week on December 3rd members will enjoy their free Christmas lunch at Acle Bridge; we are then closed until 1.30pm on January 7th 2025, so if you want to join us come along to Reedham Village Hall. Yearly membership will be due £7.00 and weekly sub is £3.00.

Lottery news - At the time of going to print it is still ongoing and the jackpot is growing, so someone could be in for a nice Christmas present if they win. If you would like to join it is £1.00 per week this is also open to non-members as it helps to support our club. Just give me a ring. As Christmas approaches and the weather is getting colder take care of yourselves and keep warm.

Reedham School Remembrance Sunday

Thank you to the Parish Council who invited the school to join the Sunday Remembrance Service, held on 10/11/24. Rosie and Mason, from year 6, represented the school by laying the wreath to remember the US airmen, who lost their lives in WW2 in the plane crash over Reedham in 1944.



Remembrance Day

Thank you to families who supported us on Monday at our own Remembrance service in the village. The children were so well behaved and respectful. The whole school



walked to the memorial in the village and paid their respects at 11.00 with two minutes of silence.

Parents and Friends Association

Volunteers: Would you like to become part of the PFA volunteer team? We are looking for a group of people who are not looking to commit, but are happy to pass their contact details to the PFA chair and secretary so we can contact you if we need extra help. This could be for helping at events where you can pop along and lend us a hand as and when it is suitable for you. It may be that you have some spare time to send some letters for us, help on a school trip, running a stall or collecting some shopping or donated prizes etc.

Easy fundraising - Reedham Primary & Nursery School PFA have joined easy fundraising! This is a way you can raise money for us without it costing you anything! All you need to do is visit <u>easyfundraising.org.uk</u> and set up an account. Search for Reedham Primary & Nursery School PFA and join us. Then whenever you shop online, if you do this through the easyfundraising page or App, they will donate to the Reedham School PFA!

ASDA Rewards

Asda have teamed up to support schools from now until November! If you go on to your Asda rewards App and select Reedham Primary School, Asda will donate to us at no cost at all to you! This is a great way to help raise money for the school without any cost to you at all.

Any questions, please ask our PFA.

Tunstall Advent Service

What would normally be the Halvergate service on 1st of December will now be held in Tunstall Church. 9:30 am and will be a Special Advent Service. The service is being conducted by Rev Mark Aitken

Afterwards there will be refreshments at the Manor Lodge. All are welcome.

Sally More

Reedham Village Show

Two BIG Thank You's

To Cobolt Systems in Reedham (talking daily living aids & products for the blind & partially sighted) and Cantley Sugar Factory for providing support to Reedham Village Show.

REEDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 4th November 2024 in the Village Hall There were 6 Councillors present, the Clerk, District Councillor Nurden and 5 members of the public. The meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

The Parish Council Clerk advised that a card has been sent to Mary Blanche thanking her for laying the Remembrance Day wreath at the Reedham War Memorial over the years.

Chairman of the Village Hall Chris Bradbury gave the following report:

There were no issues with the play equipment safety inspection for November.

The October Cash Bingo jackpot wasn't won, the jackpot stands for November at £250 in 59 numbers or less.

RCA stage school presents "Cinderella Gone Missing". Performances are on the 20th and 21st December at 7.30pm, and 22nd December at 2.30pm.

D. Cllr Nurden advised that Broadland District Council were planning to introduce car parking charges at Reepham and Aylsham, however this has currently been deferred. There are no plans to introduce any charges in Reedham.

Mark Smith resigned as a Parish Councillor shortly before the last meeting. Broadland District Council have advertised the vacancy and gave notice of the election criteria. No election was requested so the Parish Council will go ahead with co-option.

No planning applications have been received for consideration.

The Parish Council have accepted a quote from Garden Guardian for a final amenity cut of the Churchyard.

Cllr Pittam suggested that the locations of the village defibrillators should be publicised on Facebook. Details will also be published on the on the Reedham Parish Council website.

Speed sensor - In October the sensor was located by the school. The 85th percentile was 27.4mph, the average speed was 21.8mph. The average vehicles per day was 231.

Allotments - The Diocese have agreed that the free trees from the Woodland Trust can be planted as a hedge along the boundary with Mill Road. 60 small trees for hedging will be delivered in March 2025.

Highways have agreed to install a line of kerbs, with a 25mm upstand, between the highway and the allotments entrance. This should reduce the volume of water run-off from the road and reduce damage to the car park.

Defibrillator - The defibrillator on Riverside has now been refitted and is fully working. **Time and Date of Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 2nd December 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 Belles (Reedham and District WI)

Our November meeting, held at Reedham Village Hall, was the AGM, but there was still time for a very informative talk from George Cooper about the Sea Palling Lifeboat. There will be no monthly meeting in December because the group is sharing a Christmas meal. Normal meetings (1st Tuesday on the month, 7 for 7.30pm) will resume

in January. The first meeting of the year we hold an auction of pre-loved Christmas 14. gifts, eat up all the festive nibbles that need finishing and generally catch up with each other. Perhaps some local ladies will consider joining us? We welcome new members and the first few meetings are free, to give people the opportunity to try the WI without any commitment.

Mary Jones <u>reedhamwi@btinternet.com</u>

Acle & District Royal British Legion (Correction – the photo on the cover is of Acle.) At the time of going to press, the annual RBL Poppy Appeal is still being processed. We should be able to declare the total raised in the next issue. A huge thank you to all the shops, pubs, schools & businesses who have had collection boxes on display. A special thank you to Acle Army Cadets for manning the table outside Acle Co-op for several weekends.

The next branch meeting will be on Wednesday 4 December starting at 7pm in the Bure Room, Acle Recreation Centre.

Due to bank holidays, the first meeting in 2025 will be on Wednesday 8 January. You do not need to be a member of RBL to attend. We are a friendly group trying to support the community.

Any queries, please contact Jayne Smith on 07584 825749.

Reedham Churchyard

Many thanks to the Reedham Parish Council who over the past few years have funded the mowing of the Churchyard. They will no longer be doing so, but we will be making

an application for a grant from them to help cover the costs.

There has been a final mow which took place at the beginning of November, but this did not include gathering up the mowings. On Tuesday 19th a party braved the freezing rain to rake up the cuttings from the

Family Church at Reedham

You are warmly invited to the CRIB SERVICE

Tuesday 24th December 4pm

hear the amazing Christmas story

place figures in the crib

and sing some favourite carols

main Conservation areas, using equipment (and some people) borrowed from the Bure Valley Conservation Group. Many, many thanks for your labours!

Next year the Parochial Church Council will have to arrange for a contractor to do the mowing, so if you know of anyone who would be interested in doing this, please contact me (Kati Cowen kncowen@gmail.com) for details of the specification.

Outlook Copy Date etc.

Many thanks to all the organisations and people who send in Copy – where would we be without you? Copy Date is early this month, because of Christmas. Please could I have any photos for the cover by 12th December and text by 14th December?

And a very Blessed and Happy Christmas and New Year to you all. KC

You and your family are warmly invited to CHRISTING! F

Reedham Church * 4pm * Sunday 1st December

darkness * oranges * candles * light

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Left: The valiant group warming up after raking Reedham Churchyard in the rain and cold.

Right: 'John's Bell' - the inscription on the treble bell at Reedham recording the late John Orsborn, whose funeral was on 15th November, as Church Warden.





Left: One of the members of Reedham Over Fifties Club at their Halloween party.

Right: Remembrance ceremony at Moulton St Mary but we have no idea why the eagle is wearing a bunch of grapes on his beak.



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St John the Baptist
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A Service of Readings and Carols for ADVENT

with the ABY Choir of 28 voices Conductor: Michael Nicholas

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7:30pm

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