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Harvest Home

Reading Sheila Hutchinson's book about Freethorpe, I was struck by just how much of village life in the past was connected with the land and food production – not just the farmers and farm workers, but ancillary occupations, from the wheelwright to the milk round. It's very different today. While some people remember the way things used to be and still maintain some kind of connection, for others, especially younger people and those who have moved into the area, I imagine farming represents little more than a backdrop to their lives; while food isn't something that's produced, it's something you buy.

We are in a period of renewed housebuilding in some of our villages. Developers don't try to sell houses, but homes: the word *house* sounds cold and utilitarian; *home* is warm, emphasising a sense of belonging, evoked by the feelings we have about a place and the relationships centred there. A Greek word for house/home/household is *oikos* - which has entered English as the prefix *eco*-. Hence *ecology* (studying the relationships between organisms), *economics* (how resources move around) and *ecumenical* (belonging to the entire Christian Church).

The idea for the Church to observe the period between 1st September and 4th October (the feast of St. Francis) as a season of *Creationtide* originated with the Orthodox Ecumenical Patriarch and has been endorsed by other Christian denominations. This year the theme is *A Home for All* – Renewing the *Oikos* of God. Creation consists of a network of life-giving relationships: in that way it is to be a home for all living things.

One thing all creatures need is food. The keeping of Harvest Thanksgiving in our churches presents a reminder, should we need it, that food is not just a commodity we buy, but the result of a process. That's an invitation to be more aware of where and how our food is produced and by whom, whether in the fields around us, the waters off our shores, or across the world. Initiatives like our own *Ade Farmers' Market* can help with that awareness, as we meet local producers, giving us fresh connections with the area we call home.

Bringing God into the equation at Harvest doesn't just give us someone to thank: he also raises questions of responsibility and justice. Global food production isn't there so we can live off the fat of the land: if our planet is to be *A Home for All*, it's about feeding the world, in a way that also preserves natural ecosystems. With the challenge of a changing climate, we need to be more responsible about what we consume; how it's been sourced, processed and packaged; and how much we waste.

In the love of God,

Martin Greenland

Services this month

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Although we're not observing Creationtide in full (see From the Rectory), Sunday 12th September will be something of a "Creation Sunday" in the Benefice. Holy Communion will be at 8am at Acle; then we will join the scarecrows of Wickhampton for an I am service which functions as their Harvest Thanksgiving. Finally (see Michael Nicholas' ABY Choir article) there is Evensong at Acle at 7.00pm. For the latter services my plan is to draw on the two creation stories in Genesis, with Genesis 2/3 in the morning ("Nature: friend or foe?") and Genesis 1 in the evening ("Nature: apart or a part?").

At the time of going to press, parish Harvest Thanksgivings have been scheduled for Limpenhoe (19th Sep), Beighton (3rd Oct) and Halvergate (17th Oct).

Martin

Zoom Evening Prayer for St Matthew's Day

There will be another Zoom Evening Prayer for St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist, on Tuesday 21st September from 5.00 – 5.30pm – note I've retimed this one to see if it's more convenient. The link will be available from me.

Martin Greenland

Parish Registers

Funerals

We commend to God:-

William George Lacey (Billy), aged 94, on 20th July at St Botoph's, Limpenhoe

Adrian John Risby, aged 70, on 23rd July at St Botoph's, Limpenhoe

Daphne Margaret King, aged 84, on 3rd August at All Saints', Beighton

Elsie May Barber, aged 88, on 5th August at St Edmund's, Acle

Joyce Dorothy Claydon, aged 94, on 10th August at Gorleston Crematorium

Holy Baptism

Thea Rose Stinton on 1st August at St Botoph's, Limpenhoe

Holy Matrimony

Tanya Michelle Hampton and Benjamin Leonard East on 7th August at St Andrew's, Wickhampton

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 3rd September at 2:00 pm at Acle Methodist Church

'Acle Churches Together' will be holding a combined service, at Acle Methodist Church, as above, and wish to let you know that all are welcome – including gentlemen!

The service will be followed by refreshments which will be served in the Methodist Church Hall adjacent to the church.

Do come and join us, even for part of the time, if you are able - 'Acle Churches Together' Committee look forward to seeing you there.

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This year is the centenary of The Poppy Appeal. The first Remembrance Day took place on 11 November 1921.

Despite the restrictions in place due to Covid-19, The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2020 has raised over £24 million to date.

Locally the newly extended Acle District which now includes Freethorpe, Reedham, Halvergate and Tunstall raised the final total of £5268.73

With increased awareness and restrictions lifted, we hope to improve on the amounts raised in our collection later this year.

The village of Reedham has very few door-to-door collectors, although the shops and pubs do support our collection tins.

All of the Primary schools in the area receive a school pack which includes lots of items that may appeal to the younger generation, whilst still highlighting the Poppy Appeal

If anyone would like to volunteer to help with door-to-door collections during the Remembrance period, we would be very pleased to welcome them to the team. For more information, please contact Jayne Smith by email jaynesmith15@btinternet.com

Many people may not be aware that The RBL is open to anyone; you do not need to be ex-servicemen and women to join. There are monthly meetings held in Acle Social Club on the first Friday of every month at 1400hrs and in The Hermitage Inn, Acle on the first Sunday at 1900 hours.

In addition, there will be a fund-raising coffee morning for The Poppy Appeal in Acle Church Hall on Thursday 4 November starting at 9am. All welcome

Jayne Smith

Cantley & District W.I.

In August some of our members had an enjoyable walk and visit to the tea room at How Hill, and also participated in the Treasure Hunt in Norwich organized by County Office. We are now looking forward to the Norfolk Federation Garden Get Together at Fairhaven Water Gardens on the 7th September.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th September at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall and our speaker for the evening will be Georgette Vale who will be introducing us to Fabric Flowers.

New members always very welcome. For more information contact Barbara on 07789845050.

All Saints' Church Freethorpe

Quiz sheets to raise funds for the church will be available in the village from the 11th September-closing date the 30th October 2021.

WATCH OUT FOR THEM

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

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Reedham Charity: Freethorpe 1st Responders

Friday 3rd 2.00pm Women's World Day of Prayer Service – Acle
Methodist Church

Saturday 4th 2.00pm Cantley Flower Show – Cantley Village Hall

Friday 3rd 7.30pm Film Night – '23 Walks' – Reedham Village Hall

SUNDAY 5th 14th after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate

9.30am Morning Prayer – Limpenhoe

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

11.00am Morning Prayer – Beighton

11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Monday 6th 7.30pm Reedham Parish Council – Reedham Village Hall.

Tuesday 7th 7.30pm Reedham & District W.I. – Reedham Village Hall

Saturday 11th Norfolk Churches Trust Bike Ride, Walk, Drive

– All Saints', Freethorpe open 9am – 5pm.

9.00am – noon Farmers' Market – Acle Church Hall

Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th 10am-4pm Craft Exhibition at Beighton Church

SUNDAY 12th 15th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

11.00am Scarecrows Festival Service – Wickhampton

7.00pm Evensong with the ABY Choir – Acle

Wednesday 15th 7.30pm Cantley & District W.I. – Cantley Village Hall

Thursday 16th OUTLOOK COPY DATE

Saturday 18th 5.30pm Evensong at Norwich Cathedral with ABY Choir

SUNDAY 19th 16th after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion – Halvergate

9.30am Harvest Festival – Limpenhoe

11.00am Holy Communion - Acle

11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

12.30pm – 3.30pm Reedham Craft and Carboot – Village Hall field.

Monday 20th MOBILE LIBRARY DAY

7.30pm Cash Bingo – Reedham Village Hall

Tuesday 21st 5.00pm Zoom Evening Prayer (St Matthew's Day)

Thursday 23rd 2.00pm Whist Drive – Reedham Village Hall

Friday 24th 10.30am – noon Coffee Morning – Freethorpe Church

Saturday 25th 10.30am – 12.30pm All Saints' Drop-in Beighton Church 11.

SUNDAY 26th 17th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

9.30am Matins - Halvergate

11.00am Holy Communion - Reedham

Looking forward into **October:-**

Saturday 2nd 2.00pm Freethorpe Church Fête – Church Farmhouse

SUNDAY 3rd 18th after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer – Halvergate

9.30am Holy Communion – Limpenhoe

9.30am Morning Prayer – Wickhampton

11.00am Morning Worship – Acle

11.00am Holy Communion – Beighton

11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

11.00am Morning Prayer - Reedham

Reedham Village Hall

Well done to all those who took part in the RCA Stage Schools production of Aladdin. (See picture on back page.) We were very pleased with all the positive feedback we received. Thank you to all those who helped and to Radio Norfolk Treasure Quest who visited us before the Sunday performance.

Events coming up at the village hall in September:-

Friday 3rd September 7.30pm showing on the big screen will be 23 Walks starring Alison Stead. A heart-warming comedy drama about finding love later in life. Dave and Fern, two older strangers, have been bruised by their individual circumstances. They meet walking their dogs in a North London park, and over the course of twenty-three walks together romance begins to blossom. But Dave and Fern haven't been completely honest with one another, and their future together may be threatened by the secrets they have withheld. Tickets cost £5 either book online at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/reedham-community-association> or call 01493 701107.

Sunday 19th September Outdoor Autumn Craft Fayre and Carboot 12:30-3:30pm. Stalls £10, Carboot pitch £8. Please bring your own table. BBQ, Bar and raffle. For more details or to book please contact reedhamvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk or call 01493 701107.

Monday 20th September Monthly Cash Bingo Eyes down at 7.30pm look out for posters with jackpot details.

If you would like to hire the hall please contact 01493 701107 or email reedhamvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk

OVER FIFTIES CLUB

10.

We have had yet another brilliant month with more new members. Our male membership is growing fast, so if you are male and sitting at home on your own come and join them.

The club is doing a trip to Thursford on November 11th. I have 4 tickets left so even if you are not a club member and want to see this fabulous show just give me a ring and book a seat. The coach will be picking up in Reedham for an afternoon performance.

The time seems to be flying by and we are half way through August already.

We have been lucky enough to have two afternoons when we had greeting cards, clothes and plants to buy which is good for members that find it difficult to go into town to do shopping.

The club held a Norfolk Day and many members dressed up to symbolise different aspects of Norfolk Life; we had a drover, milkmaids, a maid, a land army girl and even a Lord and Lady of the manor. We had a lovely spread and a good afternoon was enjoyed by all members. Photos were taken for the annual Club album (see back cover) so we have memories to look back on and you never know some might make the annual club calendar. To finish with we had a raffle of Norfolk Fayre which included a beautiful hamper which was won by Peter Randell.

It is £7.00 to join the club and £1.50 per afternoon session on Tuesdays at Reedham Village Hall from 1.45pm to 3.45pm, we are open from 1.30pm. Come along and join us; we play 4 games prize bingo and one game for cash, there is also whist for card players. Refreshments are served which are included in the £1.50. If you want company don't be shy, you do not have to live in Reedham we are open to surrounding villages, so come and join us. Make new friends and perhaps meet some old ones as well. Just come along 1.30pm on a Tuesday you will be made very welcome.

OVER FIFTIES LOTTERY

Our lottery bingo was won at the end of July by Mr Bob Pochin; the jackpot was £284.40. If you would like to join please give me a ring on 07585504199. It is £1.00 per week. It supports our club and donations are given to various charities. This lottery is open to non-members as well. The more players the bigger the jackpot. You have to be in it to win it !!

Angie Woolsey
Secretary/Treasurer

Reedham Garage Sale 2021

Thank you to all who took part and all who came. It was the best ever Garage Sale. £279.70 was raised and given to Reedham School. Out pop-up tea room took £248. This was shared between Stroke Association; SOBS, a bereavement charity; and Aliva Rose of Reedham (for her sensory garden). The 2022 Reedham Garage Sale will take place on Sunday 3rd July.

Theresa and Ann

Recycling – Blister Packs

Your empty medical blister packs (of which we seem to have an increasing number) can now be collected at Reedham Church. There is a small white bin at the back for this. KC



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Reedham Ringers

The ringers are happy to be back in their Reedham tower and ringing for services once more. Now that we have brushed up our skills, we are able to offer sponsored rings again. If you would like us to dedicate some ringing for a specific purpose, then please get in touch. It might be that you wish to celebrate an event that you were unable to celebrate in 2020, or to remember a life lost. For a minimum contribution of £25 to our bell fund, we will ring for you. We can arrange a mutually acceptable time for you to come and listen, or record part of the performance for you to keep.

We are always seeking new ringers. Although we are currently unable to train anyone from scratch, we can help lapsed ringers brush up their skills and we have access to a state of the art training centre in central Norwich where learners can try ringing dummy bells to see if it is something that they would like to pursue. There is currently a Norfolk young ringers group that meet up weekly at the Mancroft Ringing Discovery Centre after school and are learning together.

Please get in touch if you are interested in either a sponsored ring, or in exploring whether learning to ring might be something that you would like to try.

Mary Jones mpcjones@hotmail.co.uk

??CAN YOU FIND??**30 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE – HIDDEN IN THIS PASSAGE**

This is a most remarkable puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, keeping him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much that he passed it on to some friends. One friend from Illinois worked on it while fishing from his John boat. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo.

Elaine Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it that she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column. Yet another friend judges the job of solving this puzzle so challenging that she brews a cup of herbal tea to help her nerves.

There will be some names there that are really easy to spot, that's a fact. Some people, however, will soon find themselves in a jam, especially since the books are not necessarily capitalised.

Truthfully, from answers we get, we are forced to admit it usually takes a minister or scholar to see some of them. At the worst, research has shown, something in our genes is responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in these paragraphs.

During a recent fundraising event, which featured this puzzle, the Alpha-Delta-Phi Lemonade booth set a new sales record. The local newspaper, the Chronicle, surveyed over 50 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult they had ever seen. As Father Daniel Humana humbly put it, "the books are all right there, in plain view, hidden from sight". Those able to find all of them will hear great lamentations from those who have to be shown.

One revelation that may help is that books Timothy and Samuel appear without their numbers. Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are normal.

A chipper attitude will help you compete really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mass exodus, there are really 30 books of the bible lurking somewhere in these paragraphs - just waiting to be found.

Good hunting

– Vic Walsham

(Two prizes (tubs of 'Celebrations') for the first two names drawn from the senders of the most right answers.

Answers can be e-mailed to me (via kncowen@tiscali.co.uk), handed to me, or sent by post (19 St Edmunds Road, Acle, NR13 3BP) – by 15th September.)

Cantley Flower Show (not just flowers)

Final reminder - Sat 4th Sept 2pm - Cantley Village Hall. Please come and support us. Tea, coffee and special "Welcome back cake"! Raffle, tombola and of course displays of Flowers, Fruit and Veg. Handicraft, Photography and Cookery and Flower arranging. Full details at cantley.org/flowershow or ring Robert on 01493 701231.

ABY CHOIR – Evensong at Acle and Norwich Cathedral

On 2 August, approximately 30 members of the Benefice Choir broke their pandemic-caused fast from singing to begin rehearsals for two services in September, one in Acle Church and one in Norwich Cathedral. The rehearsal began with tremendous joy that the activity which is so dear to our members is once again possible and then quickly settled down to a sober realisation of the musical challenge ahead. The services, to which all are welcome and to which admission is free, are both Evensong, a jewel of Anglican worship with its combination of fine literature (including the reading and chanting of biblical texts) and fine music from many different periods. The latter includes sixteenth-century William Mundy's beautiful setting of the words 'O Lord, the maker of al thinge', which will be sung at the start of the service at St Edmund's Church on Sunday 12 September at 7.00 pm. Part of Psalm 104, with its vivid recall of the wonders of the natural world, and a movement from Haydn's oratorio *The Creation* are also part of the programme for this service, which will touch on the responsibilities which face us all to change many aspects of our life styles if we are to avert climate catastrophe.

At the Cathedral on Saturday 18 September, where the service will begin at 5.30 pm, the first item will be a short piece setting a text from the contemporary prayer book *Common Worship*. This was composed by our conductor for an occasion at Upton Church, when the historic organ there was rededicated after substantial refurbishment by the Norfolk organ builder Richard Bower, and was sung then by a small group from the ABY Choir. The anthem is by one of the best-known composers of English Church Music, Sir Charles Stanford, whose music here is a beautiful and tuneful companion to the familiar words of Psalm 23. At both services, the Evensong canticles, the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, will be sung to the music of Herbert Sumsion, Organist of Gloucester Cathedral for many years in the middle of the twentieth century.

The full choir of more than thirty voices includes a strong core of singers from parishes within the benefice but also many others who come from Norwich and beyond, covering a wide area of Norfolk. Most of them sing, or have sung, in other choirs in Norwich or elsewhere. New members are welcome. There is no audition for membership but most of us have at least a passing acquaintance with musical notation and some have considerable choral experience. Anyone interested in taking part in future ABY Choir performances should contact a present member or Michael Nicholas on 01493 700819.

All Saints Freethorpe

15.

We are all trying to get back to normal, starting with The Norfolk Churches Trust Bike Ride, Walk ,Drive on Saturday 11 September. All Saints Church will be open from 9.00 till 5.00 with refreshments available and a stall selling little treasures! Following that we are having a Coffee Morning in Church on Friday 24th September 10.30-12-00 do come and have a catch up.

Saturday 2nd October is our long awaited Church Fête at 2-00pm with all the stalls and refreshments which is taking place in the garden of Church Farmhouse next door to the Church with kind permission of Tony Edelsten.

We are looking forward to seeing you all

Jean Thompson

Reedham Garden Club

September is usually a gustier and cooler month than August and the days become noticeably shorter.

Start planning and planting spring bulbs, herbaceous perennials can still be divided, also continue to feed and deadhead hanging baskets and containers.

Continue to harvest fruit and vegetables. Cut back spent french beans, pea & runner bean plants at ground level as they will release nitrogen back into the ground.

To stop pumpkins and gourds from rotting, place them onto an old tile or a piece of wood.

Create a new lawn by using turf or seed.

Ken Tungate

Foodbanks: the name has changed, but the purpose is the same.

The individual churches which make up Great Yarmouth Foodbank (The Salvation Army, Great Yarmouth; Gorleston Baptist Church and St. Mary Magdalene, Gorleston) have decided to continue to co-operate, but in a less formal way in future: the umbrella organisation, "Great Yarmouth Foodbank" is being dissolved.

Locally we will continue to collect food for distribution by Gorleston Baptist Church (known as "The Well") – the hub we have always supported. The smaller number of people in need in our own area will still be referred to the Acle Foodbank (operated by Acle Parish Council).

I hope to be able to provide details of how to donate cash to the individual foodbanks above.

Martin Greenland

.Kurling

The New Age Kurling group is now up and running again after a long break. For those who don't know, New Age Kurling is similar to ice curling, with targets (but no brushing) except that it is played on a wooden floor with 'stones' on ball bearings. We meet in Reedham Village Hall on Wednesdays between 10.30 and 12.30. It costs £2 per session. Do come and join us for a fun morning, a cuppa and biscuits and a chat.

Contact Penny on 701335.



Climate Sunday at Reedham
- The service was well attended by folk of all ages. We sang hymns, accompanied by Michael Nicholas on an electric organ (hidden under the tower) and pledged ourselves to the care of creation, to reduce waste, to live sustainably and to value the diversity of life.

Right and below: Over Fifties Club members celebrate Norfolk Day by dressing as characters representing Norfolk life.



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