



The Benefice of Acle and Bure to Yare

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Tunstall: Limpenhoe, Southwood and Cantley : Reedham :
Wickhampton

SEPTEMBER

2024

50P



'Dinner for Eight' Fundraiser at Limpenhoe Church, organised by Louise and Tim Lees.

OUTLOOK

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Season of Creation

In 1989, Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitrios I proclaimed 1st September as *a day of prayer for creation* for Orthodox Christians. The World Council of Churches took up the idea, extending it into a season (sometimes known as *Creationtide*) culminating on 4th October, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi; and invited churches to participate. This year's theme for what is now promoted as the *Season of Creation* is *To hope and act with Creation*. The organisers (drawn from various Christian organisations and including our own Bishop Graham) say that the capital C is significant: one emphasis is that *Creation is not an object that has been created for human use, but rather a subject that we are called to relate to and collaborate with as fellow creatures*.

Language can be revealing about how we regard and treat an entity. To use the word *Creation* implies that all that is has a source in God. The Orthodox church year begins on 1st September with a commemoration of God's creation of the world. The fundamental stories, of course, are found at the beginning of the Bible, in Genesis. It's possible to connect aspects of those stores with ways that we still speak of and relate to the living (and non-living) world.

The 6-day creation story culminates in the creation of human beings in God's own image, giving the possible impression that all that has gone before is a kind of stage for human life. In our own time we sometimes speak of the *environment*: it's there in the title of the responsible government department, DEFRA. Human society is what matters: creation is just what surrounds us. In an age when roughly 80% live in urban areas, that perspective may be hard to shift. For most people, the *countryside* is outside: perhaps a place for leisure, valued for landscape or the potential for recreational activities.

That recreation might include engaging with *nature*. The way we use the word often implies something other than human. In Genesis the non-human is created separately and before the arrival of human beings. Yet how much of what we see around us in England's green and pleasant land is truly natural? A field is a unit of production; a hedgerow is an artificial boundary marker or livestock barrier. To a trained eye, a wood shows signs of human exploitation and management across centuries – unless it's a plantation, in which case it's a field of trees. Upland landscapes are shaped by excessive sheep grazing, or drainage, or management for grouse. Human impacts are seen almost everywhere on earth; reflecting the divine command in Genesis to *have dominion over* other living things. Yet, equally, there are *natural processes*, some of which readily take over if human influence reduces. That can suggest the two are in tension, opposed; as implied by words like *wilderness* and *wasteland*. Paradoxically, *nature conservation* is often concerned with attempting to arrest natural processes – but that's a whole debate in itself!

Having dominion over something doesn't necessarily involve exploiting it, but creation is widely seen as a *natural resource*; often (mistakenly) considered free of charge and limitless. On the basis of *if you can't beat them, join them*, there have been recent moves to put a price on the economic benefits to human beings of natural processes – so called *eco-system services*, like carbon capture, water filtration and flood control.

But are we only to value the rest of creation by what we get out of it? One could argue that Genesis says no. God spends five and a half days on the rest of the cosmos: human beings don't even get a day to themselves. Countering our superiority is the message that we are, as the Season of Creation says, *fellow-creatures*; in the second Genesis narrative, moulded from something as lowly as the dust of the ground. A bit more humility in the face of Creation (with a capital C) would serve us well. 4.

In the love of God,

Martin Greenland

Parish Registers

Holy Matrimony

Jessica Louise Hayes and Liam Jack Smith on 3rd August at St Edmunds', Acle

Jane Catherine Alger and Isaac James Kennedy on 3rd August at St John the Baptists', Reedham

Parish Notes

Some special services this month:

- Sun 8th, **10.00am** at St Edmund's: *Celebrating Nature* (together with Freethorpe and Acle Methodists). A chance to celebrate our love of God's creation in church, followed by an exhibition in the church hall (open to the public 11am – 1pm) of what local organisations and individuals are doing to encourage nature. (Holy Communion that day will be at 8.00am only).
- Sat 21st, 6.00pm at Wickhampton: *Sung Evensong for the festival of Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist* with our Benefice Choir.
- The Choir will then sing *Evensong* at Norwich Cathedral on Sun 29th (Michael & All Angels) at 3.30pm – all welcome.
- We are starting a monthly Zoom Compline (Night Prayer) Service on 25th September as a trial for 3 months. This is a brief, quiet service at the end of the day. During Lockdown, this type of service seemed to be appreciated by many who could not normally have got to regular Church Services. To be sent the link, please contact Jonathan Lonsdale - jlonsdale@me.com

Note there is no service at Reedham on Sun 1st; Acle's 11.00am will be Holy Communion instead of Morning Prayer.

Monthly worship at Limpenhoe will now concentrate on the first Sunday each month, plus special occasions (e.g. Remembrance Sunday) – so no third Sunday Morning Worship.



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The current village hall at Cantley is fast approaching its 100th anniversary and requires replacement as it is becoming costly to maintain and to conform to current standards. As a result, the Trustees have embarked on an ambitious project to build a new hall with an overall budget of £1.1m. The new hall will provide a community hub for Cantley and the surrounding area for the next 100 years with an exciting footprint including a

badminton court (or four table tennis tables) as well as two clinical rooms available to GPs and community nursing teams. The planning application will be submitted in September and construction planned to commence early in 2025 subject to raising the funds required for the construction phase of the project. Please help by donating at

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/cantley-village-hall-development>

or by clicking on this QR code. All donations whatever the amount will be greatly welcomed. Thank you.



Cantley Flower Show (not just flowers)

Only Seven days to go! Cantley Flower Show is on 7th September, 2pm, at Cantley Village Hall. Raffle, Tombola, Refreshments as well as Flowers, Handicraft, Vegetables, Cookery, Children, Photography, Flower Arranging and Fruit. Have you received your Yellow Entry Form and Program yet or been to the cantley.org/flowershow and browsed the classes to enter? Even if all your fruit and veg have frizzled in the heat you could still enter a photo or a handicraft item or some cookery! See you on the 7th. Robert



1st Freethorpe Scout Group

Can you help us? ...

We would like to open a new Scout Troop in Freethorpe for boys & girls aged 10.5 to 14 years old from the local area, but to do this we need some more volunteers to come forward to support us!

No experience is needed, just a willingness to get involved and support local Scouting. Whatever your skills, we can put them to good use!

Volunteering is good for you as well as good for the community so if you would be interested in finding out more, please email p.thurston@norfolkscouts.org.uk

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

8.

Reedham Charity: Norfolk Wildlife Trust

Weekly

Tuesdays 9.30am (except 24th) Ecumenical Morning Prayer – Acle Methodist Church

1.30pm Reedham Over Fifties Club – Reedham Village Hall

Saturdays 5.00pm Roman Catholic Mass – Acle Church

SUNDAY 1st 14th after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate

9.30am Holy Communion - Limpenhoe

11.00am Holy Communion - Acle

11.00am Morning Worship - Freethorpe

(No service at Reedham)

Reedham Village Show – Reedham Village Hall

Tuesday 3rd 7.30pm 'Reedham Belles' – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 4th 7.00pm Acle & District R.B.L. - Bure Room, Acle Rec.

7.30pm Women's Night Out – Freethorpe Village Hall

Saturday 7th 2.00pm Cantley Flower Show – Cantley Village Hall

SUNDAY 8th 15th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

10.00am 'Celebrating Nature' Service - Acle

followed by Exhibition at Acle Church Hall

7.30pm Nomads' Quiz – The Ship, Reedham

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

Saturday 14th Farmers' Market – Acle Parish Hall and Grounds.

SUNDAY 15th 16th after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion – Halvergate

11.00am Holy Communion – Acle

11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

Monday 16th **OUTLOOK COPY DATE** **9.**
Mobile Library Day – Halvergate, Reedham and Freethorpe
Wednesday 18th 7.30pm Cantley & District W.I. – Cantley Village Hall

Saturday 21st St Matthew

9am – Noon Breakfast Café – Limpenhoe Village Hall
6.00pm Evensong with ABY Choir – Wickhampton

SUNDAY 22nd 17th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
9.30am Matins – Halvergate
10.30am Morning Prayer - Beighton
11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

Tuesday 24th 10.30am Monthly Service – Swallowtail Place, Acle.
Visitors welcome

Wednesday 25th 8.00pm Zoom Compline

Thursday 26th 7.00pm Benefice Council meets at Acle Parish Hall

Saturday 28th 10.30am – 12.30pm All Saints' Drop-In – Beighton Church
Noon – 5pm Board Games Day at Reedham Church.

SUNDAY 29th Michael and All Angels

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
10.30am Benefice Holy Communion – Beighton
3.30pm Evensong with ABY Choir – Norwich Cathedral

Looking forward into October :-

SUNDAY 6th 19th after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate
9.30am Morning Worship – Limpenhoe
9.30am Harvest Holy Communion - Wickhampton
11.00am Harvest Festival - Acle
11.00am Holy Communion - Freethorpe
11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Cantley & District W.I.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday September 18th at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall. Jan Davis will be giving us a talk about Local Politics. New members always very welcome.



*The Acle & Bure to
Yare Choir*

under their Director Michael Nicholas
will be singing Evensong
at Wickhampton Church
on St Matthew's Day,
Saturday 21st September at 6pm

Music by Orlando Gibbons, Ayleward,
and John Stainer

Also, at Norwich Cathedral at 3.30pm
Sunday 29th September,
St Michael & All Angels

Music by Gibbons, Ayleward and Richard Deering.

OVER FIFTIES CLUB AND LOTTERY

11.

As I write this we are halfway through August and we have gone from being wet and damp to being boiled alive. Please take care in this excessive heat. I personally do not like the heat and cannot wait for lovely September days, not too hot and not too cold. We have had our birthday buffet this month when we celebrated Trish, Irene and Kens birthdays.

Next month for members who did not go on a free coach trip we have the meal at Acle Bridge to look forward to.

I will soon be designing the club calendar so please decide if you would like one, I shall be taking orders in the next couple of weeks. This is free to members. For new members if you ask me I will show you the layout, it has squares on it so you can write appointments.

We meet at Reedham Village Hall every Tuesday 1.30pm, subs are £3.00 per week and this includes refreshments. Membership is £7.00 per year.

The lottery has still not been won so the jackpot will be over £300. If you would like to join it is £1.00 per week and is open to members and non-members. Just give me a ring.

Angie Woolsey
Secretary/Treasurer
MOB: 07585504199

WICKHAMPTON NEWS

Sunday 11 August 2024: Teddy Bear Parachute & Zip-line day

This was our 6th "Parachute" Day, and was the best so far! The conditions were perfect – super sunny and the gentlest of breezes – and around 175 bears, superheroes and cherished toys parachuted from the top of the church tower or whizzed down the zip-line, all landing safely back on earth! A huge thank you to everyone who helped on the day; for the donations from the village, and also from so many wonderful businesses in and around the area; and the biggest thank you to everyone who came and joined in the fun.

Our thanks also to the BBC's David Clayton, who did a fantastic job once again.

We all had such a terrific day – raising an amazing £1300 – and we'll be doing it all again in August 2025! If you'd like to come and help, you'll be welcomed into the "Teddy Gang"!

Saturday 21 September 2024, 6pm: Evensong at St Andrew's, Wickhampton

We are delighted that the Benefice Choir will be joining us for this service, and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible, to help us raise the rafters! The church cafe will be open for refreshments.

This month's meeting was a talk by Rob Spray-Life drawing- BARELY BELIEVABLE. Rob took us through his journey to becoming a life model with an enthusiastic and humorous account illustrated with slides. He described the pitfalls (cold temperatures, awkward poses) and how he approaches different scenarios dealing with hen parties to WIs. He then gave us drawing materials and we voted for how he would be dressed and also for poses he would strike. We achieved some good sketches - even those who did not think they could draw!

Next month is our birthday bash when we celebrate 50 years of the Reedham WI group. DJ Steve Burns from Radio Norfolk, aka Dr Vinyl, will be entertaining us with music from the 1970s and our very own choir, only established this year, will be singing some Abba songs.

Trips, meals, theatre visits, a book group, craft afternoons, walks etc are organised throughout the month and new members are always welcome.

Mary Jones reedhamwi@btinternet.com

Acle & District Royal British Legion

We would like to thank everyone who supported Wally's Quiz on 7th August. The sum of £100 was raised for branch funds.

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

2 Big dates for the diary:-

Prize Bingo on Saturday 12th October in the Main Hall, Acle Recreation Centre.

More details to follow.

Concert entitled "Bless 'em All" by Coastline Singers on Wednesday 6th November in St Edmunds Church, Acle. Tickets £5 in advance or £6 on the door. Refreshments available.

Both events are in aid of the RBL Poppy Appeal

For further details, please contact Jayne Smith on 07584 825749

Nomads Theatre Company

Preparations for our next Reedham pantomime are under way! First read throughs for Sleeping Beauty will take place on Fridays 13th, 20th and 27th September at Reedham Village Hall at 7:30pm. We don't have a full cast yet so please please get in touch or come along if you'd like to take part or would like to be involved in anyway at all. We're always keen to welcome new people. We're a small inclusive group of local people who don't take ourselves too seriously!

Nomads Quiz – Our next fund raiser quiz will take place at The Ship in Reedham on Sunday 8th September at 7:30pm. The bar will be open and we will run a raffle and lucky squares. It is £1.50 per person, with teams of up to 6 people.

To get in touch with any enquiries, please contact Kerri-Anne

on kerriannewatson@hotmail.com or 07824468242 or via our Facebook page.

Tunstall Lammas-tide Service – 4th August

13.

The Trustees of Tunstall Church Trust would like to thank the 26 people who attended Tunstall Lammas tide service which was much enjoyed by all.

The service was led by Nicholas Cowen and Sister Heidi Marie did a thoughtful reflection on Lammas tide, including very interesting snippets on history of 13th century Tunstall. Thanks also to Sister Rita Elizabeth who led the Singing of the hymns on the keyboard.

Afterwards there were refreshments held at the Lodge where the raffle added to the funds of annual costs of insurance of Tunstall church. Funds raised in total from both raffle and collection amounted to £157:92 pence.

Sincere thanks to all who came and contributed not only to funds, but also to enjoyable cheerfulness of the gathering.

Sally More

Breakfast cafe

*Limpenhoe Village
Hall*

*21st September
19th October*

Time: 9 to 12

*Bookings:
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Wednesday 23rd October,
Wednesday 27th November.

For the joining link, please contact jnlonsdale@me.com



Left and Below:
Lammas at Tunstall



Above and Left:
Teddy Bears' Zip Wire and Parachute Jump at
Wickhampton

Join our local Churches in
Celebrating Nature

at a special service in
St Edmund's Church, Acle,
10 am Sunday 8th September



followed by displays by local organisations
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Nelson's Blood

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