

NOVEMBER 2019



Newsletter

**Scole - Harleston - Brockdish
Thorpe Abbots - Needham
Billingford - Redenhall with Wortwell**

7 welcoming churches at the heart of our communities
learning to put Jesus first; sharing love and Good News.

The Value of Nothing

Oscar Wilde famously said, "The cynic knows the price of everything and the value of nothing." Well if that is true then this is a very cynical world that I am living in. We, as a society, seem to know the price of everything but the value of nothing and it makes me want to weep.

Recently I had the privilege of standing on the shore, listening to a sound that blew my mind away. It was dusk and I was listening to seals sing. It was a sound like a cross between whale song and wolves howling; haunting and otherworldly. As I listened I knew myself to be a part of this natural world; connected to those seals, the sea, the earth, the sky and everything else around me.

In that moment I knew the value of everything to be beyond price. I knew the true value of this world, and it had nothing to do with money, or utility. Those seals, and those waves mattered simply because they were; they existed. If they went then I would be wounded too. So would we all.

Then I remembered how fragile all of this is. We know the price of everything but the value of nothing. The seals are being poisoned by plastics and so much more, the beaches too. Our greed is even changing our climate.

Our children feel the truth of it. They are leaving school to protest, to try and open our eyes to the facts that they see so clearly and feel so keenly.

I believe in a creator God who loves all that has been made. I believe that Jesus came to show us the love of that creator and to welcome us into a family where love is at the heart of everything. I feel this creator as a thread of life that connects me and all creation together; a link that makes all people brothers and sisters, and all creatures as kin too.

I pray that you, me, and all people (with or without faith) will feel that common thread of life, and act. I pray that together we can love our fellow creatures, and in loving care., I pray that we can learn to know the value of everything and care not about the price.

God bless, Nigel.

Thank you!

wish to thank all of you for your generous support of those in our area who are in difficulties. In particular I have only praise for your wonderful support of both Foodbank and Emmaus. To find out more about the wonderful work that these organisations do on our behalf please look up:

<https://emmaus.org.uk/norfolk-waveney/> and

<https://waveney.foodbank.org.uk/>.

I was particularly touched by the personal story of Eamon, someone that Bishop Graham met at Emmaus. Read Eamon's story here:

<https://emmaus.org.uk/norfolk-waveney/story/eamons-story/>.

God bless, Nigel.

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"Come ye apart and rest awhile"

You are invited to a "Quiet Day" on Wednesday 20th November 10am to 4pm led by Revd Canon Lyndy Domoney at Quiet Waters near Bungay. Cost for the day is £20.00 per person. This includes hot drinks any time and Lunch. To book your place, please ring Sheila on 01379 852762.

Harleston - St John's

Tuesday Informal Singing is every Tuesday from 11.00am to 12noon. Refreshments available.

Coffee Morning with cake and savoury stalls on Saturday 2nd November from 9.30am to 11.30am.

Winter Light Lunches are on Tuesday 19th November at 12noon. Cost is only £5 which includes a pudding!

Community Lunches are on Tuesday 26th November at 12noon. No set charge but donations welcome.

Chatty Church is on Saturday 16th November at 2pm. Activities for the children and plenty of chat for the adults. Everyone welcome.

Midweek Mingle every Wednesday in Term Time from 9.15am to 11.30am. Toast and refreshments, Everyone welcome from newborn to the young at heart!

Remembrance Sunday.

This always falls on the second Sunday in November, this year the 10th. It is the day traditionally put aside to remember all those who have given their lives for the peace and freedom we enjoy today. On this day people across the nation pause to reflect on the sacrifices made by our Service men and women. Every poppy helps us to support the British Armed Forces past and present, and their families. Look out for the projection of a poppy on the tower of All Saints so spare a thought as you pass on the main road.

Please give generously and wear your poppy with pride



Brockdish - St Peter & Paul's

Quiz and Light Supper £4 (bring your own drink) Saturday 16th Nov 7.30pm at the Village hall. Booking ring Jan on 01379 668630.

Coffee Morning Saturday 30th Nov 10am. Cakes, game and stalls.

Thorpe Abbots - All Saints

Presentation of WW1 Saturday 23rd Nov 7.30pm

Needham - St Peter's

Annual Church Yard Tidy Up on 16th November starting at 9.30am If anyone is free to help please come along we need your support + there will be refreshments.

Thank You

Presentation of WW2 Sunday 10th Nov 5.30pm

To mark the 80th anniversary of the outbreak of the Second World War local historian Stephen Poulter will be giving a presentation in Needham Parish Church at 5.30pm on Sunday 10th November (just prior to the annual Remembrance Service at 6pm). The talk will show how the everyday lives of each citizen of Britain were turned upside down in the first week after war was declared in September 1939 by an extraordinary series of laws and regulations which imposed unprecedented restrictions on their freedom and liberty. In the Committee Room at the Village Hall after the Service we will be screening some short propaganda films made during the war.



Scole - St Andrew's

Coffee Morning Saturday 2nd November 10am - 12 noon; come and enjoy homemade sausage rolls, cheese scones and home-baked cake along with coffee, tea, raffle and friendly chat.



Toddler Group: Scole Church, Wednesday, term time only 9 am to 10.30 (ish!)



Enjoy - play, song, refreshments and chat. Cost is £1.50. Please contact Kathy on 01379 423775, kathy.m.wood.stb@googlemail.com or Sue on 740325; revsue@7churches.org.uk, for more information .

Reverse Christmas hamper shopping list for 2019

If you don't know how the reverse advent calendar appeal works ...it's very simple every day from the 1st of November one item from the list is purchased and put into a box or a bag at the end, call us and we will arrange delivery from your church or (new for this year) we will be at different locations on the last weekend of November and 1st weekend in December so people can pop them along to us.



Reverse ADVENT CALENDAR

Thank you for being part of our Christmas hamper appeal 2019. To make it easier for you we will be in Diss Harleston Bungay Beccles Long Stratton Framlingham and Halesworth during late Nov/Early Dec to collect your finished boxes. Please register by email hampers@waveney.foodbank.org.uk with your name and nearest town from the list above and we will send you all the information you need.

1 Tinned Potatoes	2 Tinned Ham	3 Cranberry Sauce	4 Stuffing	5 Gravy Granules	6 Tinned Peas
7 Instant Custard	8 Jar Pickled Onions	9 Trifle Mix (Birds)	10 Christmas Pudding	11 Tinned Carrots	12 Tinned Fruit
13 Jar Sweet Pickle	14 Corned Beef	15 Jar Beetroot	16 Part Cooked Bread Rolls	17 Long-life Fruit Juice	18 500g Bag Sugar
19 Long-life Milk	20 Biscuits for Cheese	21 Children's Sweets or Treats	22 Biscuits	23 Toilet Roll	24 A supermarket gift card, we will use it to buy fresh meat and veg

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CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

STILLNESS, MINDFULNESS, CONTEMPLATION

Free & Open to All

Monthly on a Wednesday - 7.30pm to 8.30pm

9th October - 6th November

11th December - 8th January

5th February - 4th March

Oasis Prayer Space

Archbishop Sancroft High School, Harleston

Revd Nigel Tuffnell - 01379 308905

rector@7churches.org.uk

All Souls

A Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

An opportunity to remember before God those
whose love we have shared.

To gain comfort and renew our hope.

Saturday 2nd November at 6.00pm

St. John's Harleston & St. Andrew's Scole

If you would like the name of your loved one remembered
at these services, please add the name to the list at the
back of your church or contact

Revd Nigel Tuffnell on 01379 308905 rector@7churches.org.uk



Pledge to Protect the Planet

In their words : **Reminder number 3**

To celebrate Earth Day Harleston Primary Academy pupils sent messages to everyone asking for our help to Protect the Planet and why:

'Walk instead of driving when you can ... I love our Planet and we need to look after it'

says Rosie ... it's such a simple decision for short journeys.

We need the Planet ... the Planet needs us ... and we all need each other ... if we don't act, who will?

Time for Action ... here ... NOW



THE REGISTERS - 13TH SEPTEMBER TO 12TH OCTOBER 2019

Baptisms

22nd Sept Issac Gaukroger at St John's, Harleston

6th Oct Esme Rose Carter at All Saints' Thorpe Abbots

Funerals and Interments

3rd Oct Charlie Godwin at St John's, Harleston

11th Oct Ronald Pyne at St Mary's, Redenhall

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Jane Debenham, Ken Deighton, Fran Pitt-Pladdy, Jean Roper, Lyn Veness, Maurice & Frances Cormack, Paul With and Paul Cooke

If you have a loved one who is very ill and would like them to be on our prayer list then please get in touch with one of our ministers. (*details page 12*).

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Celebration

St Andrew's, Scole 24th November 4.30pm

Patronal Holy Communion

All Saints, Thorpe Abbots Friday 1st November 6.30pm

Compline

St Leonard's, Billingford
Thursday 12th December, 6.30pm

WEEKDAY SERVICES AND PRAYERS

Tuesdays 9.30am Short Prayer Time - St John's, Harleston.

Weds 13th 7.30pm Prayers for Harleston - Oasis Prayer Space,
November Archbishop Sancroft High School, Harleston.

Thursdays 9.15am Short Worship & Prayer - St Andrew's, Scole.
10.00am Said Holy Communion - St John's, Harleston.

First week in December

St John's Harleston

Christmas Songs and Legends.

.Thursday 5th Dec 3pm in St. John's Church, will include light refreshments.
Tickets £5.00. available from Sheila, Tel:01379 852762 or Gill, Tel:
01379 852597

As you know St. John's is open to the community and still has more to achieve, so all proceeds will go to the Building Fund.
Hope you can come and enjoy the afternoon.

Coffee Morning Saturday 7th Dec 9.30

All Saints Thorpe Abbotts

Christingle Service Sunday 8th Dec 4pm

St Peter's Needham

Christingle Service Sunday 1st Dec 4.30pm

St Andrew's Scole

Community Christmas Celebration Wednesday 4th Dec 7.30pm

Coffee and Lunch. 'Winter Warmer' 10am to 12noon Saturday 7th
December -food and stalls. Details from Georgie (740127)

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

St John's Church, Harleston

Saturday 30th November

10am - 4pm

Refreshments all Day

Stalls of Crafts, Tombola,

Raffle and Cakes

Do your Christmas Shopping here

Light Lunches served from 12-2 pm



NOVEMBER SUNDAY SERVICES AND READINGS

SUNDAY 3RD 4 Advent Red	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Leonard's, Billingford
	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St Mary's, Redenhall
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	11.00am	Informal Worship	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>2 Thessalonians 1.1-12 / Luke 19. 1-10</i>			
SUNDAY 10TH 3 Advent Red	9.30am	Remembrance Service	All Saints, Thorpe Abbots
	10.45am	Remembrance Service	Scole War Memorial
	11.00am	Remembrance Service	St Andrew's, Scole
	10.45am	Remembrance Service	Harleston War Memorial
	11.00am	Remembrance Service	St John's, Harleston
	3.00pm	Remembrance Service	St Leonard's, Billingford
	3.00pm	Remembrance service	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	3.00pm	Remembrance Service	Wortwell War Memorial
	6.00pm	Remembrance Service	St Peter's, Needham
SUNDAY 17TH 2 Advent Red	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Informal Worship	St Andrew's, Scole
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	St Mary's, Redenhall
	<i>2 Thessalonians 3. 6-13 / Luke 21. 5-19</i>		
SUNDAY 24TH Christ the King White	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Needham
	11.00am	Morning Worship	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Scole
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St Mary's, Redenhall
	4.30pm	Celebration Service	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>Colossians 1. 11-20 / Luke 23. 33-43</i>			

“Contemplation is nothing more than one's whole person being seized by the reality of God's love.” Brother Roger (founder of Taizé) Verse ????

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