

June 2024



CHURCHES
COUNT ON
Nature

Benefice Newsletter

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Ramblings from the Rectory June 2024

Dear Friends,

We live in a beautiful part of the world. I am fortunate to have a beautiful garden full of birds and insects, frogs and newts, as well as wood mice and hedgehogs. I have seen quite a few butterflies too. By the time that you read this, I hope that there will be a multicoloured cloud of butterflies and other insects. If you don't have a garden then you don't have to go far before you find some open space or hedgerow that is a haven for wild plants and all of the wildlife that rely upon them.

This is a beautiful part of the country. I am always encouraged when I meet more and more people working hard to maintain and enhance the natural wonder all around us. One place where you will find the natural world cherished will be your local churchyard. Every year there is a survey of each churchyard to see what is growing and living there. All of this information is then collected nationally to give a snapshot of the health of our churchyards. It is called the Churches Count on Nature.

If you want to help, just turn up at a porch of any of our 7 churches. You will find guide books to help you identify the plants and creatures that you see. There will also be paper and pens for you to write everything down. It's great fun for children to see how many different plants they can find and then try and identify them. Insects too.

Every time I delight in the natural world, I remember the first chapter of Genesis, where God again and again sees the things that he has made and "They are very good!" We are stewards of such a special gift from God. I hear of the whole of creation groaning, waiting for its healing (Romans 8.22) and know caring for living things is a Christlike act in response to the love of God in Jesus.

The Churches Count on Nature runs from Saturday 8th June to Sunday 16th June. Just turn up and have fun!

Why stop there. Hopefully, there will be lots of lovely summer days to enjoy outdoors. Keep looking and exploring. See the changes in your churchyard as the summer progresses. Look and enjoy the wonderful gift of living in such a beautiful part of the country right through this summer and beyond.

God bless,
Nigel.

Churches Count on Nature:



Saturday 8th June – Sunday 16th June 2024
Fancy a nature safari in our local churchyards?
Just turn up and go to the porch for instructions,
collect help sheets and get exploring! Families
welcome!

When finished let us know the animals, birds, insects,
or fungi you find. Your data will be sent to the
National Biodiversity Network
so that we can make your churchyard even better
for Nature.

St Peter & St Paul Brockdish

Saturday 29th June

Quiz Night

7.30pm for 8.00pm

Table up to 6 people £5 per person, to include light supper.

Tel: Jan 01379 668630 for bookings and further information.

St John's, Harleston

Coffee and Cake Morning

Saturday 1st June

9.30am till 12noon

Who Let the Dads out

15th June

9.00am to 11.00am

£3.00 per family includes breakfast

Forget-Me-Not Cafe and Church

Thursday 13th June

10.30am - 12.30pm

Midweek Mingle

Every Wednesday

9.15am to 11.30am

All welcome

Chatty Church

Saturday 22nd June

11.00am to 1.00pm

Praise

Saturday 8th June - 6pm - 7pm

Every Tuesday

Foodbank - 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Exciting Fund Raiser for St Leonard's Billingford

A biblical competition to commence in April.

Test your knowledge of recognising the books of the bible.

£5 per entry, a prize of £200 for one lucky winner.

Draw will take place on June 13th at St Leonard's Church.

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Adam Harrod

Adam Harrod will again be entertaining us with a selection of old and new songs, on 13th June at 7.30pm at St Leonard's Church

Tickets £12 from Sue 07917798056 or Georgina 01379 740759.

Includes refreshments.

St Andrew's - Scole

Coffee Morning

Saturday 1st June

10.00am - 12noon

Come and enjoy homemade sausage rolls, cheese scones and home-baked cake along with coffee, tea, and friendly chat.

Scole Church Quiz with Chips

Saturday 15th June, 6.30pm for 7pm:

The cost of the '*Quiz with chips*' is £7 per person. For that you have a supper of chips, sauces and something sweet. Come as individuals or groups and contact Sue Auckland on 01379 740325 or revsue@7churches.co.uk to book, **or**, complete the list in the church. Please bring your own glasses and drinks and extra nibbles if you wish. Booking is now open and it would be helpful to know **numbers by Saturday 8th June please.**

**DADS
GRANDADS
MALE CARERS
AND
THEIR KIDS!**

**WHO LET THE
DADS OUT?**

**BREAKFAST
CRAFT
GAMES
FREE PLAY**

St John's Church
Broad St,
Harleston,
IP20 9AZ

**THE
3RD SAT**

**EACH MONTH
9-11AM**

**£3
PER FAMILY
INCLUDING
BREAKFAST!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:
SEARCH 'WHO LET THE DADS OUT' HARLESTON' ON FACEBOOK**

Chatty Church



Creation - looking at insects and butterflies
and picnic if nice weather

For children of all ages with their
parents/carers.

No need to book.

Refreshments and Snacks.

Free of charge.

Saturday 22nd June 11am - 1pm

St John's Church, Harleston



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Donations to our churches

If you would like to donate to any of the listed churches please use the QR codes below linked to the church you would like to donate to.

St John's, Harleston. St Leonard's, Billingford. All Saints, Thorpe Abbots



THE REGISTERS - 24TH APRIL 2024 TO 25TH MAY 2024

Funerals and Interments

3rd May Chrisse Howes- St John's, Harleston
15th May Kathleen Thurston - St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
16th May Julie Feaviour - St John's, Harleston

Weddings

3rd May Trevor Graham & Christine Green - St Mary's, Redenhall

	<h3>7churches Benefice Services</h3> <h4>Compline</h4> <p>Thursday, 27th June 6.30pm St Leonard's, Billingford</p> <h4>Celebration Service</h4> <p>Sunday 23rd June 4.30pm St Andrew's, Scole</p>	
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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Fran Pitt-Pladdy, Mel Veness, Kathy Wood, Sharon Perkins,
Peter Edwards .

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 on the back).

JUNE SUNDAY SERVICES AND READINGS

Sunday 2nd The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth (White)	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Leonard's, Billingford
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Mary's, Redenhall
	11.00am	Informal Worship	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Informal Worship	St Andrew's, Scole
	4.00pm	Evening Prayer	St John's, Harleston
<i>Romans 12.9-16/Luke 1.39-56</i>			
Sunday 9th 2nd after Trinity (Green)	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	All Saints, Thorpe Abbots
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>2 Corinthians 4.13 - 5.1/Mark 3.20-35</i>			
Sunday 16th 3rd after Trinity (Green)	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Leonard's, Billingford
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St Andrew's, Scole
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer CW	St Mary's, Redenhall
<i>2 Corinthians 5.6-10 14-17/Mark 4.26-34</i>			
Sunday 23rd John the Baptist (White)	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Mary's, Redenhall
	11.00am	Holy Communion(Patronal)	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Scole
	4.30pm	Celebration Service	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>Galatians 3.23-29/Luke 1.57-66, 80</i>			
SUNDAY 30TH Peter or Peter & Paul (Red)	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Holy Communion(Patronal)	St Peter's, Needham
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>Acts 12.1-11/Matthew 16.13-19</i>			

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