

# September 2022



## *Benefice Newsletter*

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CHURCHES

## Ramblings from the Rectory

September for me is a time when I think of new beginnings. Schools go back. This year Harleston will be starting the new school term with a new all through school from reception through to GCSEs. This will be the result of many years of hard work and should enable a more seamless and fulfilling education for the children of Harleston and the surrounding area.

Thinking of new beginnings made me think of James Shelton the curate that we share with Earsham benefice. As I get to know James, I am learning more and more about the gifts he has been given and about what God is doing in and through him. I think of Josh Whitnall our ordinand (minister in training) and give thanks for his gifts too. I think of all of the ministry team. We are blessed with such amazing Spirit filled ministers in the benefice. I think too of all of you, because the Holy Spirit calls all of us to ministry. The Spirit equips every Christian with gifts for building up their faith but also for sharing with the world. Indeed, if you are reading this, then this truth applies to you!

Ask God to reveal to you what gifts he has given you and for guidance on how you should use these gifts for the good of all. You could have a gift of hospitality, or of generosity, or of praying for others, or ...well the list of things that the Spirit can give is virtually endless, but you could do worse than have a quick look at Paul's list in 1 Corinthians 12. Please look at this passage and pray about what God wants to give you; talk to a friend or minister if you want, but do take this seriously. St. Paul makes it clear that these gifts aren't extras, these are the very things that build us up together as one body, the body of Christ in this place. It is important that we all use our gifts otherwise we will be crippled as we seek to show the love of Christ to the people in this area. Without your gifts it will be as though we were missing an arm or an eye.

If you feel that all this is beyond you, then don't worry, faith is a gift, not something earned. Don't worry but please pray for an extra slice of the gift of faith!

Have a great September.

God bless,

## **Safeguarding Training.**

I know that many of our PCC members are finding it hard to access the mandatory Safeguarding training online. I have therefore arranged for two sessions at Archbishop Sancroft School in September. These will be in the computer suite and I will be on hand to help with any technical difficulties. People will need an email address but if they don't have one, I can create one for them, as long as they let me know before they arrive. There are two sessions to allow people to complete both mandatory Safeguarding training modules (basic awareness and foundations), if necessary.

The two sessions are:

7.30pm on Monday 19th September 2022

7.30pm on Monday 26th September 2022

People will need to book with Nigel beforehand.

God bless,

Nigel.

## ***C H R I S T I A N M E D I T A T I O N***

**STILLNESS, MINDFULNESS, CONTEMPLATION**

**Free & Open to All**

***Wednesday 7th September***

***7.30pm to 8.30pm***

***The Rectory, Harleston***

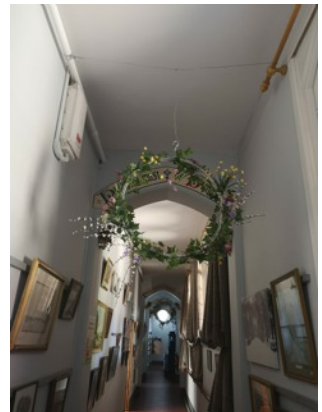
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## Harvest collection for Emmaus

“It’s been a busy year for Emmaus Norfolk & Waveney, in October 2021 we celebrated a whole decade of transforming lives. This year all our accommodation has been filled and we are supporting 32 formerly homeless people and we’re proud to continue to be a safe space for women and people from the LGBTQ+ community. We were delighted to offer our companions barista training in our Old Orchard Café, helping them to gain new skills and increase their confidence after homelessness. We have further developed our support for people moving on from Emmaus to allow them a smooth transition into independent living. Looking ahead into next year we have big plans to develop our site to expand our social enterprises and companion accommodation. Thank you to everyone for your generous support over the past year.”





# 7 Churches Benefice Day Pilgrimage to visit Our Lady of Walsingham

Join our 7 Churches Benefice pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on the **8th October 2022**. We will be leaving Harleston via Coach to Walsingham and taking part in a full day's pilgrimage before returning home in the evening.

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## Itinerary

7:30am – Morning Prayer at St. John's

**8:00am – Depart for Walsingham**

**9:30am – First Visit to the Holy House**

10:00am – Stations of the Cross (or free time)

**12:00am – Pilgrim Mass**

13:00pm – Lunch (and free time)

**14:30pm – Sprinkling at the Well**

**15:30pm – Benediction and Last Visit**

**17:00pm – Depart for Harleston**

18:30pm – Evening Prayer in St. John's

**Bold** items are a core part of the pilgrimage, non-bold items are optional!

## The Details

**Travel** - Travel will be with Simmonds Coaches of Diss. There are 49 coach spaces on a first come, first serve basis.

**Lunch** - You are welcome to bring a picnic lunch or pre-book a set menu lunch at the Pilgrim Refectory for £12pp.

**Worship Services** - Shrine Services are in the Anglo-Catholic tradition but they are accessible for all to take part in and enjoy.

**Cost** - The cost of return coach travel is £16pp. A collection will also be taken to support the work of the Shrine Church.

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## Booking Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to book travel (£16pp.)? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to book lunch (£12pp.)? \_\_\_\_\_

If so do you have any dietary needs? \_\_\_\_\_

Payment By:

Cheque ( )

Cash ( )

Total Amount Due: £ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make cheques payable to 'The Benefice of Redenhall with Scole' and return your booking form with payment to the Benefice Office by the **17th September** to allow us to book lunches if required. For any questions or more information please contact Josh via the Benefice Office.

## **St Leonard's Church Billingford**

Afternoon tea and desserts on Sunday September 18th at  
2pm, book with Sue

01379 854129 or Georgina 01379 740759. Tickets £10.  
Please bring a garden chair.

If wet, tea will be in the church.

Please then join us for our Harvest Festival at 4pm.

Harvest Raffle tickets available on the day and before from  
Sue, Georgina or Brian.

## **St Andrew's - Scole**

### **Cake and Coffee Morning**

Saturday 3rd September  
10am - 12noon

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

### **Scole Gift Day**

Saturday 3rd September 9.00am till 1.00pm

## **St Peter & St Paul Brockdish**

### **Quiz Night**

Saturday 17th September  
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 3rd September

9.30 - 12noon

St John's Church

### **Tea, coffee and Singing**

St John's Harleston

Every Tuesday from 10.40am for tea and coffee then  
11.00am to 12 noon for singing.

### **Foodbank**

Every Tuesday 1.30pm to 3pm

### **Midweek Mingle**

St John's Harleston

Every Wednesday

9.15am to 11.30am

All welcome for a cuppa, biscuit or toast

### **Chatty Church BBQ**

Saturday 24th September

11.00am to 1.00pm

Fun and games for children of all ages with their  
parents/carers.

Activities, games, music and crafts.

Refreshments and snacks.

### **All Saints - Thorpe Abbots**

15th October will see the to return of the All Saints Quiz at  
Thorpe Abbots Village Hall commencing 7.00pm. As always a  
warm welcome, a light supper and bar awaits.

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# **BIKE, WALK, DRIVE... IN THE NORFOLK COUNTRYSIDE**

A fun day out for all, stopping off at as many Churches and Chapels as you can!

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**Eastern Daily Press**



**Saturday 10th September 2022  
9.00 am - 5.00 pm**



## 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 Johns, Harleston.



St Leonard's, Billingford.



All Saints, Thorpe Abbots





## THE REGISTERS - 24TH JULY 2022 TO 25TH AUGUST 2022

### Funerals and Interments

3rd August	Annie Hammond, Earlham Crematorium
5th August	Joanne Nice , St Peter's, Needham
11th August	Monica Dorling, St John's, Harleston
16th August	Beryl Buckler, St Mary's, Redenhall

### Weddings

12th August	Craig Snelgrove and Sarah Powles St John's , Harleston
13th August	Bobby Andrews and Beth King-Fisher, St Leonard's, Billingford

	<b>7churches Benefice Services</b>	
<b>Compline</b>		
Thursday 22nd September 6.30pm All Saints, Thorpe Abbotts		
<b>Celebration Service</b>		
St Andrew's , Scole, Sunday 25th September, 4.30pm		

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Fran Pitt-Pladdy, Mel Veness, Philip Wood, Lyn Veness, Kathy Wood.

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).*

## SEPTEMBER SUNDAY SERVICES AND READINGS

<b>Sunday 4th Trinity 12 Creation Season (Green)</b>	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
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Needham
	11.00am	Informal Worship	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Informal Worship	St Andrew's, Scole
	4.00pm	BCP Evening Prayer	St John's, Harleston
<i>Luke 14.25-33/Psalm 139.1-5,12-18</i>			
<b>Sunday 11th Trinity 13 Creation Season (Green)</b>	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	Morning Prayer	St Andrew's, Scole
	4.00pm	Cafe Church	St John's, Harleston
<i>Luke 15.1-10/1 Timothy 1.12-17</i>			
<b>Sunday 18th Trinity 14 Creation Season (Green) Back to Church Sunday</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter's, Needham
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Scole
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Mary's, Redenhall
	4.00pm	Harvest Festival	St Leonard's, Billingford
<i>Luke 16.1-13/1 Timothy 2.1-7</i>			
<b>SUNDAY 25TH Trinity 15 Creation Season (Green)</b>	9.30am	Harvest Festival	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Mary's, Redenhall
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St Andrew's, Scole
	4.30pm	Celebration service	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>Luke 16.19-31/Psalm 91.1-6,14-16</i>			

