

MAY 2019



**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.

RAMBLINGS FROM THE RECTORY

I have recently inherited a leather jacket that was made in the 1970s. It is really well made and very 'retro.' So by accident I have suddenly become fashionable when I wear it! Old does not necessarily mean old fashioned. That is true for so much, including these words:

*Our Father, which art in heaven
Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done...*

Those words are among the most well known in the English language and far older than my leather jacket! They are from the traditional version of the Lord's Prayer and those words go back to the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. There is deep history in those words. Those words are also as relevant today as they were when Jesus said them 2,000 years ago and when they were translated into English in the 17th Century.

They are so relevant that each year the Church of England is joined by Christians from many different denominations and from all around the world to pray, "Thy Kingdom Come." We are praying for the values of God's kingdom to be far more evident here in this world:

- Values of love, acceptance, reconciliation, compassion, forgiveness, mercy, generosity and welcome.
- Values that say that every human being is made in the image of their creator, and precious no matter how marred the image of God may be in them.
- Values that say that the world was created by a God who loves what he has made, and who calls us human beings to care for this creation.

I long to see more of those Kingdom Values lived out by the people who live here. I invite you to join me in the Thy Kingdom Come prayers this year. Materials and prayer ideas are available in each of the 7 churches, or go to <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/> to find out more.

God bless, Nigel.

THE BIBLE COURSE

Do you find reading the Bible difficult?

Do you find it confusing and contradictory?

Do you know some of the Bible stories, but not how they all fit together?

Do you wish you knew more about the big picture of the Bible?

Help is at hand!

In a fun, friendly and interactive style we will explore:

- The big story of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation
- the images and themes that really help us understand Jesus
- what different parts of the Bible are trying to say (and what they're not trying to say!)
- how to read the different writing styles — gospels, letters, poetry, story, prophets.

Finish this course and you will:

- Be excited about the Bible and equipped to read it
- understand the readings in church
- be ready to make big steps in faith

7 Wednesdays from 19th June in St John's Church, Harleston. Please

contact Revd Tim Rogers to book your free place:

curate@7churches.org.uk; 01379 852166

Billingford - St Leonard's

An evening with Craig, a talented young singer at St Leonard's Church, Billingford on June 18th 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £10 includes light buffet

Contact Sue Redgrave on 01379 740837 or saredgrave@hotmail.com or Georgina 01379 740759

Limited room so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Needham - St Peter's

Friends of St Peters are holding their Annual General Meeting May 31st 2pm Needham Village Hall in the Library. Now is the time if you would like to join, we meet 2-3 times a year, subscription is £5. If you can't come to the meeting and would like to join, contact Pauline Spinlove on 01379 853033

Scole - St Andrew's

Toddler Group is every Wednesday 9.15 to 10.45am in term time only.

Coffee Morning Saturday 4th May, 10am - 12 noon; come and enjoy homemade sausage rolls, cheese scones and home-baked cake along with coffee, tea, raffle and friendly chat.



Coffee and Information Morning
Tuesday 7th May 10.00am to 11.30am
St Andrews Church - Scole

Harleston
information *plus*

Please come along to find out about local services, activities and opportunities to be more involved in your community.

We will also be joined by our Jobs Club Coordinator who can give advice on job seeking and skills training.

Everyone welcome - For more information call 01379 851920

This is an information 'pop up' organised by local group Harleston Information Plus and working with the Better Together Project to combat loneliness and social isolation in Norfolk.




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Harleston - St John's

Tuesday Informal Singing is every Tuesday from 11.00am to 12noon. Refreshments available before 11am.


Midweek Mingle for toddlers, parents and those who like to mingle. Every Wednesday, with toast & refreshments from 9.15 to 11.30am (term time only).

Coffee Morning and Cake Stall is Saturday 4th May from 9.30am to 11.30am. If you would like to help with cake or savoury contributions please contact Maureen 01379 853605.

Light Lunches are on 21st May at 12noon. £5 including a pudding.

Chatty Church for families, with activities, crafts and a short talk/story, Saturday 18th May at 2pm with snacks and refreshments.

Community Lunches are on Tuesday 28th May at 12noon. No set charge but donations welcome.

	<p style="text-align: center;">Look Out For!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Plant and Coffee Morning 1st June 9.30am to 11.30am - St John's</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Abseiling for Christian Aid 20th July - St Mary's, Redenhall</p>
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A New Command

When he had left, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is seen for who he is, and God seen for who he is in him. The moment God is seen in him, God's glory will be on display. In glorifying him, he himself is glorified—glory all around!

"Children, I am with you for only a short time longer. You are going to look high and low for me. But just as I told the Jews, I'm telling you: 'Where I go, you are not able to come.'

"Let me give you a new command: Love one another. In the same way I loved you, you love one another. This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples—when they see the love you have for each other."

John 13:31-35 The Message (MSG)

THE REGISTERS - 13TH MARCH TO 12TH APRIL 2019

Funerals and Interments

15th March - Ivan Kilbourn at St John's, Harleston and Waveney Crematorium.

25th March - Selina Masters at St John's, Harleston.

26th March - Pamela Gilding at St Mary's, Redenhall and Town Cemetery.

29th March - Philip Hatch at St Mary's, Redenhall and Town Cemetery.

4th April - George Mead at St John's, Harleston and Earlham Crematorium.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Fran Pitt-Pladdy, Jean Roper, Lyn Veness, Maurice & Frances Cormack.

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 back page)*.

Also please pray for our Friday Youth Group, Chatty Church and Midweek Mingle in Harleston and our Toddler Group in Scole especially the volunteers who run the groups and the families and children who come to enjoy the welcome and make new friendships in our churches.



7 churches Benefice Services

BCP Said Holy Communion

St John's Thursdays 2nd & 16th May

Christian Meditation

Oasis Prayer Space, Archbishop Sancroft High School
Wednesday 1st May 7.30pm

Prayers for the Benefice

St Peter's, Needham Sunday 5th, 12th and 19th May at 4.30pm

Celebration Service

St Andrew's, Scole Sunday 26th May at 4.30pm

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St John's, Harleston Wednesday 29th May 7pm

Compline

All Saints, Thorpe Abbots Thursday 13th June at 6.30pm



Thy Kingdom Come

30th May to 9th June

Celebrating with an

Ascension Service at Norwich Cathedral

Thursday 30th May starting at 6.00pm



MAY SUNDAY SERVICES AND READINGS

SUNDAY 5TH Easter 3 White	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Leonard's, Billingford
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Mary's, Redenhall
	11.00am	Informal Worship	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>Acts 9. 1-6 / John 21. 1-19</i>			
SUNDAY 12TH Easter 4 White	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter & St Paul, Brockdish
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Peter's, Needham
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	All Saints, Thorpe Abbotts
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St John's, Harleston
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St Andrew's, Scole
	6.00pm	Service	Wortwell Chapel
<i>Acts 9.36-43 / John 10. 22-30</i>			
SUNDAY 19TH Easter 5 White	9.30am	Morning Prayer	St Leonard's, Billingford
	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	St Mary's, Redenhall
<i>Acts 11. 1-18 / John 13. 31-35</i>			
SUNDAY 26TH Easter 6 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
	4.30pm	Celebration Service	St Andrew's, Scole
<i>Acts 16. 9-15 / John 14. 23-29</i>			

Weekday Services and Prayers

Tuesdays	9.30am	Short Prayer Time - St John's, Harleston.
Weds 14th May	7.30pm	Prayers for Harleston - Oasis Prayer Space, Archbishop Sancroft High School, Harleston.
Thursdays	9.15am	Short Worship & Prayer - St Andrew's, Scole.
	10.00am	Said Holy Communion - St John's, Harleston.

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