BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH PARISH NEWS AUGUST 2015

PARISHES OF BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH

Dear Friends

August is traditionally seen as a month for holidays, but it is also a good to just pause and take a break if circumstances don't allow a holiday. For me, as for many clergy, finding an opening in a busy diary to escape and spend a little time reconnecting with one's own spirituality, to go somewhere and spend some precious time simply being in God's presence. So with nine months of my new appointment already gone, I recently took the opportunity for a week's retreat to Launde Abbey in beautiful rural Leicestershire. A place where the resident community keeps alive the monastic tradition started there so long ago, it is a place which offers five opportunities every day for prayer and worship, and which has a c12th chapel in which to do it, sadly all that remains of the Augustinian priory founded on the site in 1119. It also has 450 acres of beautiful parkland and gardens which make it an ideal place to relax in, maybe catch up with some theological reading or one's journal. It is a place which offers a welcome to people of all faiths, or none, it's a place to 'retreat to' which allows you to rest and take stock of where you are on your Christian journey. To reflect on where life is going, and then decide on what is important, what's not, returning refreshed, ready again to tackle whatever life throws at you, and able to decide more clearly on what it is that needs your time - time that precious limited resource, of which there is simply never enough.

So whatever it is that you do with your August, I wish you rest, refreshment and happiness, and hopefully some nice weather in which to do it.

With love, in Christ

Deirdre

Priest in Charge: The Revd Deirdre West 01728 688340

Brandeston

Elders: Miss Eileen Leach 685298

Mrs Mary Baker 685807

Churchwardens: Mrs Alison Molyneux 685244

Mrs Mary Baker 685807

Kettleburgh

Elders: Mrs Jackie Clark 723623

Churchwardens: Mr John Bater 723532

| DIARY FOR AUGUST 2015 (for further details of each event see below diary) | | | | |
|--|--------------|---|--|--|
| Sunday 2 nd | 10am | Elders' Service at All Saints' Church, Brandeston | | |
| Thursday 6 th | 10.00am | Brandeston Coffee Morning, 100+ Club Draw at Village Hall | | |
| Friday 7 th | 10.30am – 12 | Coffee Morning at Kettleburgh Village Hall | | |
| Monday 10 th – | 9.30am – | Polar Explorers' Holiday Club at Charsfield | | |
| Wednesday 12 th | 1.30pm | Primary School | | |
| Friday 14 th | 7.30pm | Brandeston Film Club - "The Invisible Woman" | | |
| Wednesday 19 th | 3pm | Bible Study at Hacheston Village Hall | | |
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Elders' Service August 2nd

All Saint's Brandeston at 10.00 am Morning Service and short communion

Carol, Graeme, Jackie, Jane S, Jane W-E, John, Mary

not the seven dwarves, but Elders
of our 7 churches in the greater benefice
will be leading the service.
Revd Deirdre West will be there too.

The theme of the service will be 'The Work of God'

Please come along and meet us.

The service will be followed by refreshments.

Polar Explorers Holiday Club at Charsfield Primary School August 10th - 12th 9:30am - 1:30pm

We will again be holding the Holiday Club which is open to primary age children. Do keep these dates free and join us again for three days of fun and learning.

For more information you can contact
Mary Baker 01728 685 807
Jackie Clark 01728 723 623
Mary Vellacott 01728 685 423

BRANDESTON FILM CLUB 2nd Friday of each month starting at 7.30pm at the village hall. Membership is £10 for the year.

| August 14th | The Invisible Woman (2013) | At the height of his career, Charles Dickens meets a younger woman who becomes his secret lover until his death. Director: Ralph Fiennes Writers: Abi Morgan (screenplay), Claire Tomalin (book) Stars: Ralph Fiennes, Felicity Jones, Kristin Scott Thomas |
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| September 11th | Far from the Madding Crowd (2015) | In Victorian England, the independent and headstrong Bathsheba Everdene attracts three very different suitors: Gabriel Oak, a sheep farmer; Frank Troy, a reckless Sergeant; and William Boldwood, a prosperous and mature bachelor. |
| | | Director: Thomas Vinterberg Writers: Thomas Hardy (novel), David Nicholls (screenplay) Stars: Carey Mulligan, Tom Sturridge, Matthias Schoenaerts |
| October 9th | Testament of Youth (2014) | A British woman, Vera Brittan, the mother of Shirley Williams, recalls coming of age during World War I. Director: James Kent Writers: Vera Brittain (autobiography), Juliette Towhidi |
| | | Stars: Hayley Atwell, Kit Harington, Alicia Vikander |

AN INVITATION TO BIBLE STUDY

At our Lent Group meetings, we looked at some of the Prayers of the Bible. Requests have been made for further shared study opportunities. So – this is an invitation to come and look at some aspects of the letter to the Philippians. It is possible to go into great depth in considering the words of Scripture, but the primary aim of these meetings will be to allow God to equip us for our everyday lives so that we can serve him better.

The following programme outlines the intended plan of study of Philippians:

May 13th Chapter One – Openness to God
June 10th Chapter Two – The Qualities of Christ
July 22nd Chapter Three – Christian Ambition
August 19th Chapter Four – Christian Perseverance

All these gatherings will be in Hacheston Village Hall, in the Committee Room, at 3pm on Wednesdays. Please come to any session, or to all. It will be helpful if you have read the set chapter in advance.

ADVANCE NOTICES

| Saturday 5 th Sept | | Kettleburgh Flower and Produce Show – see below | |
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| Saturday 12 th Sept | | The Church Bike Ride – see below | |
| Saturday 12 th Sept | 5pm – 11pm | Live Music on the Brandeston Village Hall playing field – see below | |
| Sunday 13 th Sept | 10am – 4pm | Autumn Plant Fair at Helmingham Hall – see below | |
| Saturday 26 th Sept | 2.30pm | Talk on "Autumn Flowering Perennials" at Stowupland Village Hall – see below | |

$\frac{\textbf{KETTLEBURGH FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW} - \textbf{SATURDAY 5}^{th}}{\textbf{SEPTEMBER}}$

This year's show will be held in the village hall at 2.30 pm on September 5th. Entry forms to be in by Wednesday 2nd and entries to be staged by 10.30 am on the Saturday. Open to everyone, not just Kettleburgh residents, and not just expert cooks and gardeners; the show has classes for vegetables, flowers, fruit, wine, cookery, photography, a special section for children's work (although they are encouraged to enter any classes) and a novelty section where you can enter your most spectacular garden failure. If you've never entered before, have a go, you might surprise yourself. If you've got dazzling dahlias, a monster marrow or make fantastic flapjack this is the place to impress your friends and neighbours. Why not enter the Kettleburgh Vase or Tray classes this year? There will be refreshments, a raffle and a chance to chat. Surplus and donated produce is sold at 4.30 pm.

The two photography classes this year are a Nature Close Up eg of flora or fauna and Sunrise or Sunset. The children's classes are 4 decorated biscuits, a "selfie" photo and a garden on a plate.

If you'd like advice on how to stage something we're all willing to help. Schedules have been delivered with this magazine but more are available from Claire, Jackie Clark or Tracy Wingfield or can be downloaded from the Kettleburgh website. Any offers of help beforehand or on the day to Claire please.

Claire Norman 01728 724372 auntclaire@btinternet.com

THE CHURCH BIKE RIDE - Saturday 12th September

The Church Bike Ride is almost here again. It would be lovely to have some new riders for Brandeston and Kettleburgh. It is a most enjoyable day (weather permitting). There will be a welcome at every church, and also refreshments.

Sponsor forms & lists of churches open are now available from:-

Ruth Garratt, Brandeston 01728 685233

Pat Peck, Kettleburgh 01728 621144

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<u>LIVE MUSIC ON BRANDESTON VILLAGE HALL PLAYING FIELD</u> (weather depending)

Saturday 12th September 2015 5pm - 11pm

The Broadside Boys ***The Kevin Duffy BandAnother act TBC***

Tickets £10 for Adults, Children under 18 FREE

This will be a very relaxed event, bring your own picnic/food/drink/booze/chairs and tables and come and enjoy an evening of live music outside on the village hall green. A great afternoon/evening to share with friends/family. More details to follow nearer the time. Any profit will be donated to the Village Hall Fund.

Please put the date in your diaries!

Sue Thurlow

Helmingham Hall

Plant Heritage

PLANT HERITAGE AT HELMINGHAM Helmingham Hall IP14 6EF

AUTUMN PLANT FAIR

SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2015 10:00AM-4:00PM Adults: £7 (includes entry to gardens) Children: Free! FREE BULBS FOR FIRST 800 VISITORS!

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Plant Heritage Suffolk Group Warmly invites you to a talk

'Autumn Flowering Perennials'
by
Rosy Hardy
of Hardy's Cottage Garden Plants
Saturday 26th September 2015 at 2.30pm
Stowupland Village Hall IP14 4BQ

Plant stall including rare and unusual plants
Delicious refreshments available for purchase
Admission: Free to members
£5 entrance fee for non-members
New members and non-members are most welcome
www.suffolkplantheritage.com
NCCPG Reg. Charity 1004009

Local Contact: Margaret Palmer 01206 299832

PAST EVENTS

IN MEMORY OF PETER ARBON

On Monday 29th June 2015 at 4.30, a memorial plaque was unveiled in the old walled garden at Brandeston Hall in memory of Peter Arbon.

Through the pages of your magazine, I would like to express my family's sincere thanks to the headmaster, Martin Myers-Allen, for his effort and hard work in proposing this wonderful plaque in memory of Peter. Also to the governors of the college for giving their permission to allow the plaque to be installed on the garden wall.

The catering ladies of the college provided us all with afternoon tea which was very much appreciated.

The church bells were ringing, the sun was shining and it was very warm; my grateful thanks to all the bellringers.

There was a gathering of approximately 60-70 people along with one springer spaniel (Tim & Bridgette Chase). There were many staff both past and present, along with many of his very good friends from Brandeston and surrounding villages. There were many stories exchanged and lots of laughter.

The Rev. Graham Vellacott blessed the plaque and gave thanks to the gathering. Truly a memorable afternoon – an occasion myself and family will never forget. My sincere thanks to you all.

Peter Arbon (nephew) on behalf of the Arbon Family

We, the village of Brandeston and the Arbon family, are extremely grateful to the whole of Brandeston Hall School for the friendly way, the gratitude they have shown towards Peter over the years. In addition, for organising and supplying the plaque and hosting the tea party; it was si popular and 100% appropriate being attached to the middle of the big brick wall in the walled garden. All good, 'well done' everyone. May God bless Peter.

We record that the ashes of Peter Arbon, who died on 19th April aged 88, were laid in Brandeston Churchyard on 1st July. The spot chosen was at the top right hand corner next to the late Andrew Currie in whose house he was brought up some years ago. Only family and close friends were present as we prayed, read a psalm, and offered his soul to Almighty God. May he rest in peace.

Graham Vellacott

CATS PROTECTION Charity No 203644

The annual coffee morning for the Framlingham & Saxmundham Branch of Cats' Protection was held on Friday 10th July. We were blessed with a glorious day, Dr Daniel Poulter MP was our guest, Mr Bill Clark entertained on his amazing street organ, Deirdre our priest was with us, and so were loyal supporters and friends. John and Graham transported chairs, and the dedicated Cats' Protection team served tea, coffee and refreshments, sold items from various stalls under their gazebos and a total of £453.36 will be used for the benefit of abused, feral, abandoned and sick cats. Thank you everyone.

Kathleen Lusted

KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY

Results of the July draw are as follows:-

1st Prize Jim Cavanagh & Helen Kay 2nd Prize Peter & Jacky Driver

Trevor Jessop

BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB

Results of July 100 club draw:

£25 Graham & Sue Edhouse £10 Paul & Shirley Rozier

NOTICES

SUMMER EVENINGS IN BRANDESTON

For some time there has been desultory talk of making concerted use of the array of sporting facilities we now have on the playing field, by arranging a particular evening of the week when we can go down en masse to play tennis, petanque, five-a-side football, basketball and just run around. To make it go with a swing we also thought we should use the new barbecue facilities built precisely with this in mind.

So on Wednesday evenings – weather permitting - from 6.30 there will be a hot barbecue on the playing field so bring along your own food and booze and join the party. Even if you don't fancy doing anything sporting you can just turn up and the barbecue isn't obligatory either.

We hope to see you there.

Sue Thurlow

KETTLEBURGH PANTOMIME

We are delighted to announce that the Kettleburgh Players will once again be returning to making fools of themselves as they take to the stage for the 2016 Pantomime.

Under the novice directorship of Ray Curry ad Kathy Churchill, plus a very experienced team of helpers, we are hoping to start rehearsals in mid-September, with a performance in February.

At this point we are not sure as to what the play will be, but Liz Marzetti has very kindly offered us a range of scripts to go through.

So look out for details of this, and the dates of auditions in next month's magazine. All welcome.

Kathy Churchill

LINK ROMANIA SHOEBOX APPEAL 2015

Many people now contribute to this charity each year, and this is just a reminder about items for boxes this year, which need to be ready by the end of October. The following items are suitable for a Family Shoebox: shampoo, shower gel, small toys, toothbrushes and paste, nail clippers, brush/comb, safety razors, simple calculator, hair accessories, soap/flannel, colouring books, writing pads, sweets, chocolate, sewing kit, candles, soft toys, screwdriver, tape measure, socks, tights. If you would like to contribute a box for an elderly person/couple, extra ideas include: plasters, tissues, reading glasses, lavender bag, pens, paper, small mirror. There are now three ways that you can help - as well as two kinds of boxes, there is also a foreign currency collection. Leaflets to attach to the shoeboxes will be available at Kettleburgh coffee mornings, at the back of Kettleburgh Church and at Kettleburgh Harvest Supper, or you can download a leaflet from the website link. If you would like to know more about the appeal, contact Jackie Clark (723623) or take a look at

the website: http://linktohope.co.uk/ There is a link on the Kettleburgh website (Church page). *JC*

KETTLEBURGH VILLAGE GREEN NEWS

Village green play area enhancement

The planning permission has now been submitted so now we wait. It is expected that we should hopefully get the go-ahead from Suffolk Coastal District Council by the end of August. Then we can submit a firm order to our supplier. With the busy summer period over by then, the new play equipment should be installed within 7-10 weeks after that and fingers crossed there will still be some decent weather so our children can get out and play on the new equipment.

<u>Village green shed – help required</u>

Some time ago we purchased a small shed to put on the green so that we can store play equipment, signs, etc. Everyone's time is so precious and the small band of helpers we have are already stretched so the shed has remained in its packaging. If you are able to help by laying a concrete base and erecting a metal shed (instructions included), we would welcome your help so we can avoid using hard earned donation to pay someone to do it.

Shop or book your holidays on line?

Many of us do these days and do you know you can raise money for the village green but just sitting at your computer doing some shopping? Many retailers such as Amazon, John Lewis and Marks & Spencer to name but a few participate in the scheme where they will give your nominated charity a donation just for shopping with them. To get set up, go to easyfundraising.org.uk, get registered and search for the Kettleburgh Green Trust. So far we have raised near £500.

Keep in touch with us by liking us on Facebook, following us on Twitter @kgtchair.

Caroline Wheeler-Rowe Treasurer and Fundraising Committee Chair Kettleburgh Green Trust Registered Charity 1110467 kgtchair@wheeler-rowe.com www.kettleburgh.onesuffolk.net/KGT

REMEMBER AND CELEBRATE A LOVED ONE THIS SUMMER WITH ST ELIZABETH HOSPICE'S SUNFLOWER MEMORIES

This summer you're invited to remember and celebrate a loved one by dedicating a sunflower marker in their name in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice.

The name of your loved one will be written on a sunflower marker and planted in wooden wheelbarrows in the hospice's garden, creating a sea of colour, in return for a donation to the hospice.

The sunflowers will be planted and displayed from **8 August through until 31 August** and anyone is welcome to come along in this time to see them and enjoy the hospice's beautiful garden.

On **Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 August** there be two special **Sunflower Memories remembrance services** held at the hospice in Foxhall Road, Ipswich at 3pm. After the service there will be refreshments available and the first opportunity to see all the dedicated sunflowers on display in the wheelbarrows.

Once the event is finished, the sunflowers will be available to collect from the hospice reception between 1 - 31 September 2015.

Pauline Donkin, the hospice's fundraising development manager, said: "Anyone is welcome to make a donation and dedicate a sunflower in memory of their loved one, whether they were cared for by the hospice or not.

"Our beautiful garden will host hundreds of little wooden sunflowers; all displaying the names of loved ones who are no longer with us, in wooden wheelbarrows kindly donated to us by the Ipswich Lion's Club.

"All the money we raise from the donations towards the sunflowers will go towards providing vital care and support to more than 2,000 patients and their families every year."

If you would like to take part in Sunflower Memories, please contact the fundraising team on 01473 723600 or visit www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk/sunflowermemories

VILLAGE WEBSITES

For up-to-date information about your village, visit these websites: www.brandeston.net www.kettleburgh.suffolk.gov.uk

MAGAZINE ARTICLES

Please send, deliver or e-mail any contributions for the magazine by 15th of each month to: Mrs Val Butcher, Woodlands, Church Road, Kettleburgh, IP13 7LF or e-mail valerie.butcher@talk21.com, tel: 724777.

Please send e-mails in Microsoft Word format, PDF or jpg for pictures/scans.

Covers

Janet Weston is providing regular drawings for our magazine cover, for which we are very grateful. If anyone else would like to draw a cover sometime, you are very welcome.

Thank you very much to **Martin Myers-Allen** for his lovely drawings of the doors at Brandeston Church.

CHURCH CLEANING

| <u>Brandeston</u> | | <u>Kettleburgh</u> |
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| 2^{nd} | Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker | Claire Norman |
| 9^{th} | Christine and Colin Matthews | Anne Bater |
| 16 th | Julia Elson and Kelly Jeffery | Pat Peck |
| 23^{rd} | Jane Mitchell and Louise Paget | Val Butcher |
| 30^{th} | Helen Fletcher and Karren Piper | Margaret Meadows |

CHURCH FLOWERS

| 2^{nd} | Nancy Demetriadi | Irene Dick |
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| 9 th | Ruth Garratt | Alison Gibson |
| 16^{th} | Jackie Hounsell | Alison Gibson |
| 23^{rd} | Alison Molyneux | Anne Bater |
| 30^{th} | Marian Kirton | Anne Bater |