

The Nine Bridges



Benefice Newsletter

St Andrew's, Northborough, St Benedict's, Glinton, St Pega's, Peakirk,
St Peter's, Maxey and St Stephen's, Etton

OCTOBER and NOVEMBER 2021

A thought for October and November

'See, I am making all things new. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life'.

Revelation 21 v 5,6

Sunday Worship in the Benefice

OCTOBER

DATE	SERVICE	St Andrew's Northborough	St Benedict's Glinton	St Pega's Peakirk	St Peter's Maxey	St Stephen's Etton
3 rd October	18th Sunday after Trinity	Holy Communion Rev M-A 9.00	Harvest Holy Communion Rev M-A 10.30	Evensong Rev M-A 6.00	No Service	Harvest Parish Praise Reader MH 10.00
10 th October	19th Sunday after Trinity	All Age Praise Reader FS 10.30	Parish Praise Reader MH 10.30	Holy Communion Rev M-A 10.30	All Age Holy Communion Rev M-A 9.00	No service
17 th October	20th Sunday after Trinity	Holy Communion Rev M-A 9.00	Holy Communion Rev M-A 10.30	Morning Prayer Reader DH 10.30	10.00 Café Church Village Hall Reader FS and Reader MH	Holy Communion Rev M-A 8.00
24 th October	Last Sunday of Trinity	Family Communion Praise Rev M-A & Reader FS 10.30	Worship4All Café-style united with St Pega's Glinton Village Hall Reader DH 10.30	Worship4All Café-style united with St Benedict's Glinton Village Hall Reader DH 10.30	Holy Communion BCP Rev M-A 9.00	No service
31 st October	All Saints Day	Benefice Holy Communion Rev M-A at St Pega's	Benefice Holy Communion Rev M-A at St Pega's	Benefice Holy Communion Rev M-A 10.30	Benefice Holy Communion Rev M-A at St Pega's	Benefice Holy Communion Rev M-A at St Pega's

Collects and readings for October

3rd October 18th Sunday after Trinity	God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.
	Genesis 2.18-24 Hebrews 1.1-4; 2. 5-12 Mark 10.2-16
10th October 19th Sunday after Trinity	Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord.
	Amos 5.6-7, 10-15 Hebrews 4.12-end Mark 10.17-31
17th October 20th Sunday after Trinity	God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.
	Isaiah 53.4-end Hebrews 5.1-10 Mark 10.35-45
24th October Last Sunday of Trinity	Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
	Jeremiah 31.7-9 Hebrews 7.23-end Mark 10.46-end
31st October All Saints	God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
	Wisdom 3.1-9 Revelation 21.1-6a John 11.32-44

Harvest Festival : Collect and Readings

Collect	Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Readings	Joel 2.21-27 1 Timothy 2.1-7 Matthew 6.25-33

NOVEMBER

DATE	SERVICE	St Andrew's Northborough	St Benedict's Glington	St Pega's Peakirk	St Peter's Maxey	St Stephen's Etton
7 th Nov	3rd Sunday before Advent	Holy Communion Rev M-A 9.00	Holy Communion Rev M-A 10.30	Evensong Rev M-A 6.00	No Service	Parish Praise Reader MH 10.00
14 th Nov	2nd Sunday Before Advent Remembrance Sunday	All Age Praise Reader FS 10.30	St Benedict's Parish Praise Reader MH 10.30	Holy Communion Rev M-A 10.30	All Age Holy Communion Rev M-A 9.00	No service
21 st Nov	Sunday next before Advent Christ the King	Holy Communion Rev M-A 9.00	Holy Communion Rev M-A 10.30	Morning Prayer Reader DH 10.30	Café Church Village Hall Reader FS & Reader MH 10.00	Holy Communion Rev M-A 8.00
28 th Nov	Advent Sunday	Family Communion Praise Rev M-A & Reader FS 10.30	Worship4All Café-style united with St Pega's Peakirk Village Hall Reader DH 10.30	Worship4All Café-style united with St Benedict's Peakirk Village Hall Reader DH 10.30	Holy Communion BCP Rev M-A 9.00	No service

Collects and Readings for November

7th Nov 3rd Sunday before Advent	Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
	Jonah 3.1-5, 10 Hebrews 9.24-end Mark 1.14-20
14th Nov 2nd Sunday Before Advent Remembrance Sunday	Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.
	Daniel 12.1-3 Hebrews 10.11-14 [15-18] 19-25 Mark 13.1-8
21st Nov Sunday next before Advent Christ the King	God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.
	Daniel 7: 9-10, 13,14 Revelation 1.4b-8 John 18.33-37
28th Nov First Sunday of Advent	Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
	Jeremiah 33.14-16 1 Thessalonians 3.9-end Luke 21.25-36

All Souls 2nd November : Collect and Readings

Collect	Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Readings	Lamentations 3.17-26, 31-33 1 Peter 1.3-9 John 6.37-40

Additional services in the Benefice

During the Week

Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer is live-streamed on the Benefice Facebook page.

8.00am Daily Monday – Friday

9.00am Saturday

Compline at every Sunday 9.00pm (21.00)

Compline is live-streamed on the Benefice Facebook page. It will also be uploaded to YouTube.

Prayer and Reflection

Both St Pega's and St Benedict's churches are open during the week, usually from 10m until 4.00pm.

Please check their respective notice boards for details.

Th4Th is circulated on the Benefice Facebook page and by a Benefice email every Thursday.

Messy Church : Sunday 3rd October at 3.00pm (15.00) at Peakirk Village Hall

Living Together

A warm welcome to all our Messy Church families and to anyone of any age who would like to worship in a less formal way with plenty of activity – and glue!

All Soul's Service : Tuesday 2nd November 6.00pm (18.00)

St Benedict's Church at

A service to remember those who have died in the last year and in years gone by.

Messy Church : Sunday 7th November at 3.00pm (15.00) at Peakirk Village Hall

Remember me

A warm welcome to all our Messy Church families and to anyone of any age who would like to worship in a less formal way with plenty of activity – and glue!



Remembrance Sunday November 14th

All our churches in the Benefice will be holding services of remembrance. See individual church notice boards for further details.

Our Church Family

AUGUST and SEPTEMBER

Baptisms : Welcome to our church family

Harrison Charles WOOD at St Peter's
Charles Edward HUTCHINSON at St Benedict's
Arthur Nicholas HUTCHINSON at St Benedict's
Nicholas John HUTCHINSON at St Benedict's
James Andrew HUTCHINSON at St Benedict
Bodhi Kit Oliver WARREN at St Stephen's
Renesmae Rose Mackman BEATON-THORNE at St Benedict's
Rosalie Ivy Mackman BEATON-THORNE at St Benedict's
Edwin Dawson HILL at St Benedict's

Confirmation:

Gaynor Anne Lesley SPENCE was confirmed at St. Benedict's by +John Brixworth
Congratulations and God's blessing, Gaynor

Weddings : Congratulations and God's blessing as you begin your married life together

Lauren R JENNINGS to James R HAYWARD at St Andrew's
Amy E LEVER to James P H DANCE at St Pega's

Funerals : Rest in Peace and Rise in glory

Robert John KING Crematorium followed by burial of ashes in St Benedict's churchyard
Sylvia Joyce OVERTON burial of ashes in St Pega's churchyard
Edward SANDS at St Benedict's church followed by cremation
Jennifer Anne DUNK at St Benedict's church followed by cremation
Ellen Mary BOYALL at St Peter's church followed by burial in the churchyard
Jude Emilio James DUNN at St Benedict's church followed by cremation

Memorial Service: Rest in peace

Sheila Ann Blessett at St. Andrew's, Northborough

Licensed Lay Minister

Simon Richards has completed the first section of his training for Reader ministry and was Licensed as a Lay Minister by Bishop Donald on September 25th. Congratulations, Simon, and God's blessing on your ministry in our benefice and beyond.

Celebrations in August and September

Congratulations to Mark-Aaron and Cigil as they celebrated their wedding anniversary.

Congratulations to Amy and James who were married in St Pega's and to Lauren and James who were married at St Andrew's.



Congratulations to Sheila, Michelle and Derek who have celebrated their birthdays.

If you have also celebrated an anniversary or birthday without letting on – congratulations!

Congratulations to Rhiannon on her success in her exams and we wish her very happiness and best wishes as she celebrates her 18th birthday in October.

If you know of anyone who would like a personal mention in the Newsletter for a celebration, birthday or anniversary, let me know. It is good to be able to share good wishes throughout our church congregations.

Our Prayers

We seek God's guidance and blessing to bring growth to our church. Make this prayer part of your prayers at home and in our church worship.

Prayer for Growth



**God of Mission, you alone bring growth to your church.
Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions, Joy to our worship
and Power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
in spiritual commitment to you and
in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

During this month we pray for :

All those involved in leading our church : Rev Mark-Aaron; our readers Mark, Freda and Derek; Simon as he commences his lay ministry; our church officers and members of our PCCs. Pray that they may be guided by your Holy Spirit in all they do and that our congregations may be emboldened to work and witness for your church and your kingdom.

Those who have died recently and for their families as they mourn for them.

Those in our congregations who are unwell, particularly remembering Freda Neaverson, Gaynor, Veronica and Annie and others who are known only to you. Be with them and their families and all who care for those who are unwell at home, in hospital or in hospices.

All who face uncertainty – whether as a result of unemployment, a change in financial circumstances, ill-health in mind or body. May they find support and understanding from a caring community in our benefice.

World leaders and those who advise them that they may grapple wisely and fairly with the challenges that face our societies – climate change, economic and political migration, the rise in aggression between countries and communities, the unequal distribution of covid vaccines.

Church leaders and those who lead and guide the Christian community throughout the world as they face the challenge of reaching out to an ever-changing and increasingly secular society.

Diary Dates

OCTOBER

Saturday October 2nd

Benefice Prayer Walk at 10.00

Meet at St Stephen's Church, Etton

Saturday October 2nd

St Benedict's Ploughmans Harvest Supper

Come along on Saturday evening to enjoy a time of fellowship as we celebrate harvest. 6.30pm in Glington Village Hall. Tickets £10.00 from any member of the Social Committee; bring your own drinks.

Sunday October 3rd

St Stephen's Harvest Festival

Our Harvest festival service will take place at 10am-All welcome. We will be collecting for the food bank- Donations can be brought to the service or left in the phone box or at the Coach House in the box in the garden.

St Benedict's Harvest Festival

Everyone is welcome to our Harvest Eucharist at 10.30am. The Benefice choir will be leading our worship.

**Thursday October 7th and every Thursday
(14th, 21st, 28th)**

Nine Bridges Benefice Choir 7.00pm (19.00) at
St Pega's Peakirk

**Friday October 8th – Sunday October 10th at
St Andrew's**

See the poster to the right → →

Tuesday October 12th

**Tuesday@10 from 10.00am to 12.00noon at
Peakirk Village Hall.**

Coffee, scones and fellowship. All welcome.
Transport can be arranged if you would like to
come along but can't get to the village hall.

Ring Jane 01733 574311

or email 9bridgescommunications@goamil.com



Fun for all the Family!!

“St Andrew's Fish Festival!”
to celebrate St Andrew the Fisherman
Friday 8 to Sunday 10 October
St. Andrew's Church, Northborough, PE6 9BN

Friday 8 October:
3.45 – 5.00 pm - **Fishy Tales/Tails for Children** – Northborough School
£1.00 per child – donations welcome
6.30 - **Fish 'n' Chip supper - live Fishy Musical Entertainment and Fun**
at St Andrew's Church - £15.00 per adult, £7.50 per child
(bring your own drinks)

Saturday 9 October:
11.00 am – 4.00 pm - **Fun and Games for all the Family**
£4.00 per accompanied child, adults free!
Flying Fish, Painting Fish, Guessing Fish, Fish Can Alley, Fishy Quiz, Water/Wine
Raffle and many more activities...plus cakes, refreshments and stalls

Sunday 10 October:
10.30 am – **Family Service** in Praise of St Andrew
Cakes and refreshments after service

The Church will be decked out in Fishy Decorations and will be open for all
visitors 11.00 am – 4.00 pm from 8 to 10 October – tea/coffee/cakes for sale

**Please buy tickets for the Fish 'n' Chip supper IN ADVANCE by
29 September**

For all tickets, please contact:
Clare 07802 487679
clare@euro-pa.net



Please don't forget to bring some cash to splash!

Friday October 29th (last Friday in the month)

Benefice@The Boozer at 8.00pm (20.00) onwards

Meet at The Five Horseshoes at Barholm PE9 4RA. All welcome - but gentlemen are particularly encouraged to join an evening of convivial conversation over a pint.

Wednesday October 27th

Home Study Group at 3 The Park Peakirk 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Contact Sheila for further details.

Saturday October 30th 10.00am – 2.00pm

Deanery Prayer Day at St Mary's Church New Road Peterborough.

Workshops – fellowship – worship

An opportunity to meet members of other church congregations from across the Deanery. Tea/coffee and cakes provided but please bring your own lunch.

Book your place by contacting : St Mary's 01733 564899 or email : office@Peterborough-stmarys.org.uk

NOVEMBER

Thursday November 4th and every Thursday (11th, 18th, 25th)

Nine Bridges Benefice Choir 7.00pm (19.00) at St Pega's Peakirk

Saturday November 6th at 10.00am

Benefice Prayer Walk

Meet at St Benedict's Church Glington

Sunday November 7th

BY POPULAR DEMAND, ST PEGA'S CAFÉ RETURNS TO SERVE **BRUNCH**



ON **SUNDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2021**

IN PEAKIRK VILLAGE HALL **FROM 9.00am to 11.00am**

Bring along your family and friends.

Everyone very welcome.

Full English and Continental Breakfasts served or just pop in for a coffee.

Newspapers to read and Children's play area

Tuesday November 9th

Tuesday@10 from 10.00am to 12.00noon at Peakirk Village Hall.

Coffee, scones and fellowship

Saturday November 20th

The Deanery meeting for Church Wardens, Secretaries/ Administrators and Treasurers/ Stewardship Officers at St Mary's, New Road from 10.00 – 1:00.

Friday November 26th

Benefice@The Boozer at 8.00pm (20.00) onwards

Meet at The Five Horseshoes at Barholm PE9 4RA All welcome - but gentlemen are particularly encouraged to join an evening of convivial conversation over a pint.

Saturday November 27th

St Benedict's Church Christmas Fayre

Everyone invited to the Christmas Fayre in Glington Village Hall opening at 2.30pm (14.30); entry with a donation

Looking Further ahead :

Saturday December 4th

St Andrew's Church will be holding a Pop-up Christmas Market on the Green next to Northborough Stores.

News from around the Benefice

Discipleship in Nine Bridges Benefice

'O taste and see'

If you would like a couple of written reflections to take us from summer into autumn, why not go to:- stpauls.co.uk and click on 'Learning and Faith.' Navigate your way to *adult learning*, then *specially commissioned reflections*, and then '*Reflections for a Changing Season*'. There you will find something to feed us as life picks up and becomes busy again.

November 28th - Advent Sunday

Advent is coming, and I will signpost a series of Advent Reflections after Remembrance Sunday.

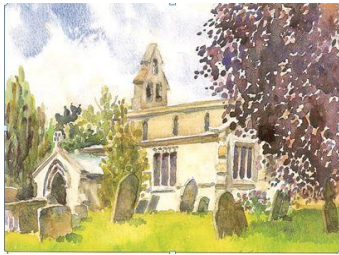
January 2022

We will be holding a series of evenings beginning in January called 'Christianity Explored'. It will be a good opportunity to explore and refresh our faith together. Further details will follow.

Any queries, do please get in touch!

Freda Skillman 01778-380903 or theskillmans@outlook.com

Our Second St. Pega's Package



Our second St. Pega's Package took place on 24th August when a talk was given on the history of St. Pega's Church by Trish Roberts, and on the wall paintings by Avril Lumley-Prior. Afternoon tea and cakes were provided by the ladies of the church and this was followed by a guided tour of the churchyard and village by Avril.

Greg Prior and Gregg Duggan set up an interesting exhibition in the village hall of pottery sherds and other artefacts, many of them retrieved by Peakirk Archaeological Survey Team (PAST). Greg Prior also gave a very good hands-on talk on the archaeology of Peakirk in Rectory Lane.

If you wish to book one of these packages, please contact Avril Lumley-Prior for further information by email on:

dr.amlumleyprior@btinternet.com

Parish Worship

For some time now, the congregations of St Benedict's and St Pega's have united on the fourth Sunday in the month for a service of Parish Worship, alternating between our two churches.

It has been agreed that the name of the service will change from Parish Worship to Worship4All and from 31 October (when the clocks change) the service will take place in the Glinton and Peakirk Village Halls and will be "Worship4All – Café Style".

Café Church is a less formal style of worship and Mark writes about the Family Café Worship held regularly in Maxey Village Hall later in the newsletter. Why not come along to Glinton Village Hall on October 24th?

Derek

Bell Ringing



Bell ringing recommenced at St Benedict's on Thursday 16th September. It was lovely to hear them peal out again after an absence of more than a year.

If anyone would like to come along and see what we do they will be made most welcome. We are always looking for new recruits.

Mike Goodall

A special Peakirk Wedding



On Sunday 5th September, the wedding took place of Amy Lever and James Dance at St. Pega's Church. It was a lovely service by Rev'd Mark-Aaron followed by a reception at Holmewood Hall. Thanks go to the flower arrangers who decorated the church beautifully, our splendid organist and the newly recruited bell ringers who had been practising each week beforehand. It was good to hear the bells ring out as they came out of church.

Sheila Lever churchwarden (and proud mum)

And a Special Maxey Baptism

On Sunday 5th September Bodhi Kit Oliver was welcomed into the Christian church family by Baptism at St Stephen's, Etton during our regular Family service. It was so lovely to have a full congregation and for Bohdi's big brother Finlay to witness the act at the font! Maggie Warren churchwarden (and proud grandma)



St Peter's Maxey Café Family Church in the Village Hall

A joyful time of worship and praise was enjoyed in Cafe Church in Maxey village hall this Sunday morning (every 3rd Sunday at 10.00am)



Freda led the service with a theme of God's creation and our wonderful world, linking in to the harvest thanksgiving service held the day before in the church. Sue created a fantastic



framework woven out of willow and everyone took part in interlinking dried flowers, herbs and cereals into the frame to create a wonderful collage of autumn creation. Hopefully this can be displayed in the church for all to share, also linked into the display are some beautifully coloured animals, and the challenge is to find and identify them. Refreshments were shared and enjoyed. God was praised and prayers offered up and fellowship enjoyed.
Mark Hotchkin

Harvest Weekend at St Pega's

Glorious autumn sunshine blessed a variety of stalls and games in the churchyard and over £400 was raised for the work of the church. On Sunday, Harvest worship was led by Reader Derek who received the Offerings of the Harvest at the beginning of the service. The church was beautifully decorated and many people of all ages enjoyed the Bee Trail around the church on both days.



The weekend was also the second of the September Heritage weekends and we welcomed many visitors to the church as well.

And a message from Ann Harris : After a challenging year for weather, the Harvest is all safely gathered in. Thanks be to God

St Stephen's Roof

You may have noticed if you have been through Etton recently that we have the Builders on site completing the replacement of the south aisle roof and the repair of the Nave roof. We are very grateful to the various parties who have generously contributed to this particular phase of our fundraising. We recently received a £5,000 grant from the National Churches Trust on behalf of the Wolfson foundation. We would also like to thank Gladwell and Patterson for hosting an event and making a generous donation to our roof fund and the many other individual donations we have received from our supporters. We are delighted that by winter 2021, three years after the catastrophic lead theft, we will have finally made the main body of the church watertight. The outstanding work that will remain is the re-slating and replacement of the coping on the Chancel roof. However, that's another project!!



Anne Curwen

St Benedict's Churchyard

A big thank you to all who have worked so hard during the summer months to regain some sort of control of the grass in the churchyard. There will not be so much to do during the winter months, although a little lighter maintenance may be helpful. Derek

St Pega's Curry Night

Thanks to Shilo and his wife and children who prepared an amazing curry for us, together with accompanying



dishes, we spent a great evening of fellowship and food (and a bit of fundraising, too)! Shilo was keen to support our churches as a 'thank you' for the warm welcome we had given him and his family while he was on his short placement.



Growing our Churches

As St Pega's and St Benedict's have both started along the route of developing Growth Action Plans it seemed sensible to create a Joint Growth Group with representatives from both PCC's. The group's first meeting took place on 19 August and several ideas for growth were discussed, including having a Welcome leaflet with information about services and activities in our churches. We welcome anyone from our churches across the Benefice to join us in our discussions. It is said 'A problem shared is a problem halved' and 'A seed of an idea shared can grow into a big tree'.

Our next meeting will be at 2.30pm on 13 October. Contact me for details. Derek

Graham Norman Garrett – 16th April 1941 – 27th August 2021

The funeral of Graham Garrett took place on 17th September at South Lincolnshire Crematorium to celebrate his life. The Crematorium was filled to capacity by family and friends and the service was conducted the Reverend Prebendary Julian Ould. Family Reflections were given by Graham's sons Michael, Matthew and his granddaughter Olivia.

Graham and his wife Jenny were long time residents of Peakirk, during which time Graham served with dedication and skill as Churchwarden and Treasurer at St. Pega's Church. The large numbers attending the funeral reflected the many friendships that Graham enjoyed over his lifetime.

Our thoughts at this sad time are for his wife Jenny and his family.

Brian Lever

Robinson Road Run

Thank you to Paul who took these photos as forty-four vehicles trundled and rumbled through our villages in support of the mental health charity Mind and the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution. The event was hosted in memory of Glington residents Graham Robinson and Adam Siggee.



Harvest at St Peter's

St. Peter's, Maxey held its Harvest Celebration on Saturday 18th September which was an enjoyable service led by Mark-Aaron. The church was decorated with some very beautiful flowers; our volunteers that take care of our building and churchyard are amazing. Attendance at the service was very good and it was lovely to come together to worship, felt almost 'normal' again.

The generous donations brought by the congregation were taken to the Deepings Foodbank, they were very grateful as stock is beginning to wane and they are looking to replenish as they have more people to support now than before.



Feeding local people in crisis

To everyone at the St Peter's Church Maxey

Thank you for your generous donations from your Harvest Festival

This will enable us to continue supporting people in crisis in the Deepings area.

The Deepings foodbank has also provided a very interesting leaflet about how foodbank donations have been used. A copy is attached to the newsletter.

Mandy Loveder church warden

Benefice at the Boozer

As the Curry Night on the same evening was held at Peakirk Village Hall August's *B@TB* was at the Ruddy Duck. Because the meal overran many did not arrive until well after 8.00pm, but those who attended enjoyed the session. It was great to welcome some first-timers. We look forward to welcoming you on the last Friday of the month. Do encourage a friend along too.

Derek



Nine Bridges Benefice Messy Church



Messy Church Nine Bridges Benefice

The theme at September's Messy Church was Journeys. We found out more about Paul and the Journeys he made. We created our own Mediterranean Sea where we could sail the boats we had made.

We also thought about how Jesus is with us as we journey through our lives.



Derek's Cryptic Clues

Solutions to last month's clues

- 1 **CHERUBIM** (angels) An anagram (around) of Him Bruce.
- 2 **NICODEMUS** (Jewish ruler) **NI** (Northern Ireland) **CODE** (cypher) **MUS** (total - SUM reversed)
- 3 **MESOPOTAMIA** (Ancient city) An anagram (resurrected) of Isotope mama.
- 4 **SAMARIA** (part of Israel) **SAM** (Allardyce) **ARIA** (opera)
- 5 **ABEDNEGO** (Daniel's friend) An anagram (crashed out) of gone a-bed.

Clues for October and November

- 1 Jacobean issue. (8,2,6)
- 2 Sees gin remixed in the beginning. (7)
- 3 Prophet has Ku Klux Klan and Automobile Association, initially, around hub. (8)
- 4 Banal about Jacob's uncle. (5)
- 5 Some of nine vehicles in town. (7)

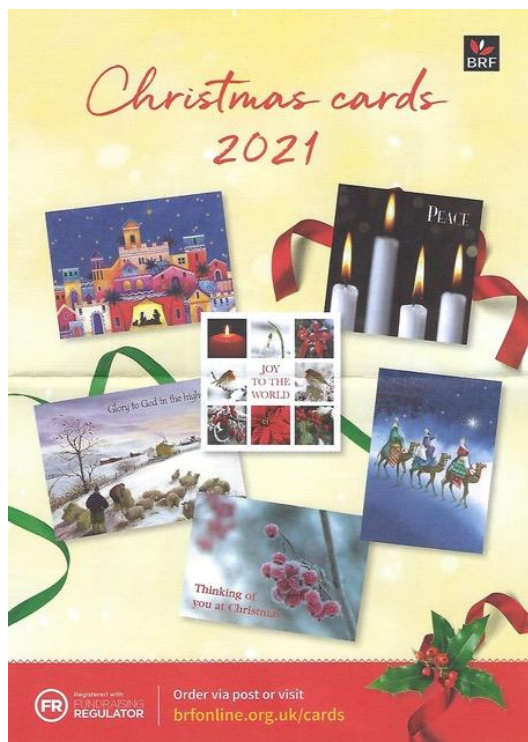
And Just a thought :

Let us begin each day not with 'Oh, good Lord, its morning' but with 'Good morning, Lord!'

(With thanks to BRF newsletter)

Christmas is coming!

To help with your Christmas preparations you may be interested in these posters. Messy Church is one of the mission programmes of the Bible Reading Fellowship, providing many of the ideas for our own Messy Church. The contact details are given on each poster.



The Newsletter

The next newsletter will be sent out by email before the first Sunday in December and will be for two months – December 2021 and January 2022.

Please remember : In receiving this Newsletter, you are agreeing to your emails being sent BCC (blind copy) via the 9bridges email account

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