FELTHORPE NEWSLETTER AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2022

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Revd Wendy Saunders writes:

The British weather has always been unpredictable but this summer it's taken us into record breaking extreme heat and almost a total absence of rainfall. We've now seen wildfires wreaking further havoc. There seems now to be general agreement that climate change is causing these dangerous changes in our weather. The war in Ukraine and the resultant sanctions against Russia have also impacted on the global supply of oil and gas, wheat, fertilisers, sunflower oil etc. all adding to the problem.

Felthorpe Church can do little about the cost of living crisis except to support initiatives like Horsford Food Parcels (covering Felthorpe and Horsford) to help those most affected. We are though trying our best to do what we can by working towards becoming an Eco-Church. We are helped in this by the Bishop of Norwich, an ecologist, who is the Church of England's lead bishop on the environment. We also have A Rocha, a Christian charity, which runs a prestigious award scheme to encourage churches wanting to reduce their carbon footprint. As a church we also complete an Energy Footprint Tool online each year too. This helps us monitor where we are and what more we should be doing.

Why do we do this, quite simply because we believe that God created our entire ecosystem and then told us to look after it, exercising wise stewardship of the resources gifted to us. So what do you think humanity's track record looks like so far? Every small action we can all do is part of the solution and every small action we fail to do part of the problem. We all have a part to play.

Services at St Margaret's, all at 5pm

	AUGUST		SEPTEMBER
7th	Evening Prayer BCP	4th	Evening Prayer BCP
14th	Holy Communion BCP	11th	Evensong BCP
21st	Evening Prayer BCP	18th	Evening Prayer BCP
28th	Holy Communion BCP	25th	Holy Communion BCP

We will be joined by the Prayer Book Society on the 11 September. You are welcome to join us from 4pm to hear our about our journey to hospitality and/or join us for the special service of Evensong at 5pm.

Dates for your diary:

- Harvest Service at St Margaret's, Felthorpe, Sunday 2 October, 3pm
- Sunday 30 October, 3pm

A special service at All Saints, Horsford, to give thanks for those we have loved but have lost. The church will also be open all day Saturday 29 Octboer for you to visit and leave your own heart prayer and light a candle. More details in our next newsletter.

FROM THE PARISH RECORDS

We are sad to record the death of Ken Hodgson whose funeral service will take place at St Faiths Crematorium at 11am on Monday 1st August. We extend our sympathies to his family and many friends

Baptist Chapel. Mill Lane, Psalm 46.vs1: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble". We would be pleased to see you at any of our meetings. Ian Mckemmie, email ianmckemmie@btinternet.com.

Felthorpe Parish Council needs some new councillors - could it be you?

Do you live in Felthorpe and registered to vote? Are you someone who often finds yourself asking – "why doesn't someone do something about that" Then you my friend are admirably qualified - so long as you're 18 or over.

A councillor does require a measure of life experience along with a large dollop of common sense and a sprinkling of good humour too. We're a friendly bunch who know we're no better than we should be and there's plenty of support for new councillors. So if you're a person that's prepared to do something positive towards improving village life in Felthorpe we can't wait to meet you. You can still carry on complaining about what's not good enough around here and we'll pop it on the agenda.

Wendy Saunders, Parish Councillor

FELTHORPE PAVILION & RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE

BINGO - THURSDAY AUGUST 18th, SEPTEMBER 15th and OCTOBER 20th at 7.30 FOR PLAY AT 8 O'CLOCK. £5 per session. Then every THIRD THURSDAY IN THE MONTH. Please join us for a fun evening.

TABLE TENNIS - TUESDAY EVENINGS at 6pm to 8pm and WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 10 to 12. Refreshments provided at each session, All abilities welcome. Any questions please contact June on 01603 754400 or 07552 724440

ZUMBA GOLD - TUESDAY MORNINGS - 10am to 11am. £5 per session. Any questions please contact Sarah-Jayne on 077789 561224.

BALANCE & STRENGTH PILATES - MONDAY MORNINGS. 10.30 am till 11.30 pm. £6 per session. This is an exercise programme aimed at the over 55's. Jo takes you through a variety of seated and standing exercises which helps to improve confidence and mobility. Leg weights will be available to purchase at a reasonable cost. Any questions please contact Jo on 07969 863078 or email. jo@mojofitnessandwellbeing.co.uk

FITNESS PILATES - MONDAY MORNING - 11.45am to 12.45pm. £6.00 per session. Improves posture, movement, mobility and flexibility. Helping to identify basic postural imbalances through Pilates based exercises. Any questions please contact Jo on 07969 863078 or email. jo@mojofitnessandwellbeing.co.uk

ROCKBOX - A DRUMSTICK BOXING WORKOUT - WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 6.30 to 7.30 £6 per session and if required drumsticks may be purchased at a cost of £4.

Please contact Steph on 07841 029555 for further details.

QUIZ NIGHT FOR UKRAINE. More than 60 people enjoyed a fun evening, Sales of tickets and raffle raised £420.00 and with Gift Aid a total of £525.00 was donated to British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal. Jackie and Nick would like to thank all who attended, donated raffle prizes and help clear up afterwards.

RECYCLING - Many thanks to everyone who uses our recycling facilities. Just a reminder, we recycle paper (not cardboard), glass, clear and coloured, clothes and shoes.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 8th 7.30 pm Visitors made very welcome so please come and join us.