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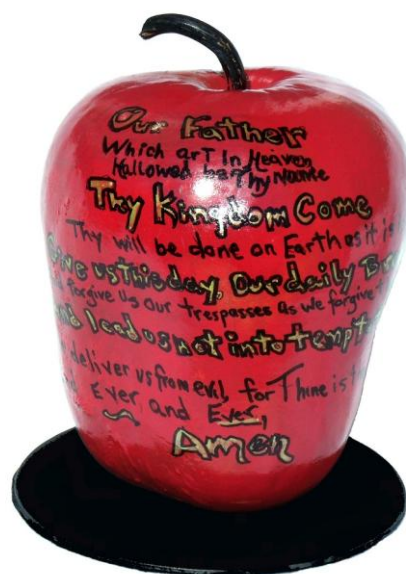


Benefice Newsletter
with Thought for Thursday

for the parishes of Etton, Ginton, Maxey, Northborough and Peakirk

Thursday July 24th

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

Sunday 27th July

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

09.00 Holy Communion St Andrew's Northborough

(by extension)

10.30 Holy Communion St Benedict's Glington

(by extension)

18.00 Taize St Peter's Maxey

Rev Keir is on holiday and there are no priests available in the Deanery to take the Communion services. Thanks to Simon and Derek for leading these services.

Thought for Thursday

Better late than never.

I was out on Tuesday evening and so I missed watching the semifinal of the ladies European football tournament between England and Italy live. The highlights, however, showed it to have been quite a dramatic game. For the benefit of those who have not been following the Lionesses progress I will explain what happened.

Italy went ahead just over half an hour into the first half and it stayed that way through to the full ninety minutes. But there were seven minutes of stoppage time to be added – and England equalised in the sixth of those seven minutes,

This took the game into thirty minutes of extra time – and in the thirtieth of those thirty minutes, England scored the winner!

This put me in mind of the parable of the workers in the vineyard when those who had only worked for an hour were paid the same wages as those who had toiled all day. Read at face value this seems a most unfair way of paying workers, but when we get to the heavenly meaning behind the earthly story, we can see things differently.

What Jesus was saying was that, just as in the football match when it doesn't matter how late in the day the equalising and ultimately, the winning goals are scored, (providing they are scored before the final whistle!) it doesn't matter how late in life we come to acknowledge Jesus to be our Lord and Saviour, the grace and love we receive from him will be the same whether we have known about him from childhood or whether we have come to faith later on in life.

In this world of changing fortunes, the love of the Lord Jesus Christ is always constant.

Reader Derek

Benefice Prayers

Our benefice prayers are taken from the previous week's pew sheet.

For Our Community

We lift up in prayer all who live in Rectory Lane, Glington; St. Benedict's Close, Glington; Clare Road, Northborough; and Peakirk Road, Glington.

May they be surrounded by love, peace, and the presence of God in their daily lives.

For Those in Need of Healing

We pray for all who are suffering in mind, body, or spirit, especially those dear to us: **Chris Skillman, David Cupit, Janet Hotchkin, Hadrian Asher, Ann Rata, Gill Pettitt, Conrad Luckhoo, Matthew Woodward, Sheila Merrill and Violet Green.** May they find strength, comfort, and restoration.

For Those We Hold in Our Hearts

We remember with love those who have gone before us: **especially, Malcolm Spinks.** Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. We also remember **Michael Watts** whose anniversary falls at this time.

For the Growth of Our Church

We pray for the **9 Bridges Benefice 2030 -Releasing people for Mission** group as they work to strengthen and shape our churches for the future. May their efforts be guided by wisdom, unity, and a shared vision of faith.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 3rd AUGUST

09:00	Morning Worship	St Benedict's Glington
10:30	Sung Holy Communion	St Pega's Peakirk
18.00	Celtic evening Prayer	St Andrew' Northborough

DATES for your DIARY

JULY

TOMORROW

Friday July 25th

Crumbs of Faith 14.30 - 16.30 in St Benedict's Church

Free tea, coffee and cake.

Although children and parents 'drop in' after school (and the children are now on holiday), Crumbs of Faith is open to everyone walking in Ginton, living in Ginton, passing through Ginton or just fancying visiting Ginton.

All are welcome.

Friday July 25th

Benefice @ the Boozer from 20.00

The Bluebell at Ginton. All are welcome. Companionship with a pint.

Sunday July 27th 10.00 - 12.00

Peakirk Village Hall - outside if fine

Messy Church Sale

Children's toys and games - raising money for a new shed!

Also - come along and sign up to support The Pedalling Peasnells!

AUGUST

Tuesday 5th 10.00

BCP Service of Holy Communion St Peter's Maxey

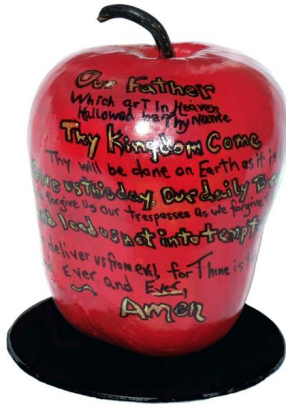
Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 August

The Pedalling Peasnells 24hour bike ride for St Pega's Church

Saturday 19.00 Wave us off! Sunday 19.00 We finish! And lots in between!

(see below)

NEWS



Header photos

Sometimes someone will send me a photo (not very often!). Sometimes I see something that makes an interesting photo (again, not very often!). Usually, I use a database of photos, some religious, some seasonal, some humorous.

As the number of 'Sundays after Trinity' reaches out into the distance, sometimes I try to link the photo to the Gospel reading for Sunday. This Sunday's Gospel is about The Lord's Prayer. Hence the Apple. An interesting thought ... an apple a day..... the Lord's Prayer a day...

Jane



The Pedalling Peasnells

19.00 Sat 16 Aug -

19.00 Sun 17th Aug

We are in training!

Some of the highlights while we pedal:

19.00 Wave us off with bells, whistles, trumpets (bring your own)

20.00 - 22.00 Sing with your supper - tickets available soon.

24.00 Compline and cocoa

03.00 Fly-by-night Brian will fly his model plane around the church (Yes really!!!!)

04.00 Storytime - reading St Mark's gospel

09.00 Breakfast bacon butties

..... and more about the activities on
Sunday in next week's Th4Th!

St Pega's church will be decorated with flowers for each of the cathedrals on our journey.
There will be a family trail in and around the church and refreshments will be available.

If you would like to sponsor us or support us by cycling with us, please contact us:
pedallingpeasnells@gmail.com

Jayne and Rhiannon

Ethan's Walk: Land's End to John O'Groats

Ethan has completed 300 miles of his 1200mile journey!

Ethan's comment: Day 22: Ironbridge to Penkridge. Loving every moment!

Ethan was joined by his 'amazing mum' last weekend. (also Ethan's words)

You can find more about Ethan's progress and ways you can support Hope into Action
here:

<https://www.hopeintoaction.org.uk/blog/no-fixed-path-my-walk-for-hope>

He's happy to have company if any keen walkers would like to join him for a mile or two!



blessings

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