

# Benefice of Mid-Loes Magazine

June - July 2026



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## MID LOES BENEFICE

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### *From The Rectory...*

#### WELCOME to your June/July benefice magazine.

It's Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May, the sun is shining as I look out at my freshly cut garden and life is good, (as well feeling proud with the lawn stripes!). And, as I sat there, I started to reflect on my four years of being in Suffolk, as it was exactly four years to the day that I was 'installed' as the Rector of our benefice, and what a four years it has been. It has been a joyous time serving here in Mid-Loes, tinged with some difficult family issues, but my 'Suffolk family' has made me feel at home, very happy, and loved, for which I am eternally grateful.

The same morning, I hosted a Ministry Team meeting, where we discussed lots of issues around pastoral work, church services, reaching out into the communities in which we serve, and ideas for the future, from which came some great ideas, allowing us to keep the ministry alive and relevant. Again, it hit home to me that I serve alongside a strong, faithful, and energetic team, that provides so much support to me, but also to many across the benefice.

Some of the ideas discussed, are immediately being put into action, for which I am really excited and, I believe, might appeal to more people within the benefice and perhaps further afield.

We all know the importance of prayer in our lives, so a monthly Morning Prayer Service will start in July, on the first Wednesday, and will continue with this pattern of the first Wednesday of the month. The first service will be held at Ashfield, at 10am, and will provide a safe, quiet space, for prayer and reflection.

During benefice services, a Prayer Space will be available for part of the service where a member of the Ministry Team will be available to offer prayer to those that might like someone to pray with and for them at that time. It doesn't always have to be challenging times that we seek to pray, but prayer can also be giving thanks for the positive things we have in our lives. Whatever you choose, the Prayer Space is for you and will be available at benefice services from July.

Another idea that is being implemented is, Celtic Praise, a service that will focus on using Celtic poetry, music, and scripture, all combining to give thanks for the environment in which we live and work here in East Suffolk. This service will be upbeat, and will have something for people of all ages. Celtic Praise will start in September, at St. Peter's, Cretingham, so please keep an eye out for further information.

I am truly blessed to be serving here in Mid-Loes, and I very much look forward to another four years being your Rector and growing the ministry here in this beautiful part of Suffolk.

Love, and Blessings,

*Rev'd Gary*



### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July Pet service 3pm St Mary's Church Dallinghoo

We are going full out Vicar of Dibley and inviting everyone across the benefice to bring a pet to church. We want All Creatures great and small. Let's surprise Rev Gary with a menagerie of pets. **Horses, sheep, cats, dogs, spiders, snakes, lizards.** There is a cattle farm in Dallinghoo, if you can get it there we will welcome you!!



## CELTIC PRAISE

Please join us for Celtic Praise, a new midweek addition to the service schedule here in the benefice, and one which is open to all people of all ages. During September, October, and November, a service will be held using Celtic poetry, music, and scripture, all combining to give thanks for the environment in which we live and work here in East Suffolk. This service will have something for people of all ages, a service to which you will be warmly welcomed.

**If you are a musician and would like to be involved in the service and getting involved with something new and different for this benefice, please contact Revd Wendy Gourlay by emailing, [rev.gourlay@gmail.com](mailto:rev.gourlay@gmail.com)**



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## BENEFICE CHOIR

If you would like to join a group of committed singers who come together on the first Sunday of the month at our benefice services, then please read on. Whether you are an experienced singer or have a good ear and the ability to 'pick up a tune', then please come along and join us at the next benefice service, details of which are on the front cover of this magazine. The Benefice Choir is developing a growing repertoire of Choral Music, Anthems, Psalms and Chants, and we would welcome anyone who would like to join us to sing at these well supported services.

**If you would like further information,  
please contact Jonathan Lettin -  
[lettins@me.com](mailto:lettins@me.com)**

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# ASHFIELD NOTES

## DOREEN BAXTER, RIP

It was with sadness that we learned of the death of Doreen Baxter [nee Ruffles] a life long resident of Ashfield at Ipswich Hospital. Doreen had become increasingly frail in recent months and had been spending some time in Mills Meadow Care Home just before she died but remained an resident of Ashfield.

Doreen was born in a 'parish house' [now known as Hillside]. When they were built she moved to 8 Sunnyside Corner before she and her late husband John bought a small plot of land almost opposite Ashfield Church. As a teenager Doreen started playing music for church services firstly on a harmonium and latterly the organ, this she did for more than fifty years and served as a member of the parochial church council for more than 60 years!

Additionally, Doreen was involved in the development of the village hall holding many fundraising events for it as well as the church. No village event was complete without a raffle! It would be interesting to know exactly much all of the raffles raised over the years.

For many years Doreen worked cleaning for numerous households in the village and close by. She also provided 'security' by looking after residents homes for them when they were away.

On the 8th April well over 100 people filled St Mary's, Ashfield to pay their respects to a much loved resident. On behalf of all who knew her I should like to extend our sympathies to her niece Andrea and nephew Alistair as they mourn the loss of their Aunt.

*Robert Grimsey*

## MAGAZINE DONATIONS - 2026

Please find enclosed within this magazine a flyer inviting donations towards covering the cost of its production. We shall appreciate any contributions you are able to make. Thank you.

*Robert Grimsey*



## CHURCHYARD

The last of the logs have now been removed. In the coming weeks I shall mow again the more formal areas and create some mown paths through the areas of wild flowers. The cowslips are now just about over so now to look out for ox eye daisies, bugle, bird's eyes and yellow rattle. We are it seems also a haven for wildlife with evidence of muntjac and as of today badgers too. I just ask that they refrain from trying to eat the flowers!!

*Robert Grimsey*

**THE DEADLINE for contributions panel**  
**August/September ISSUE is SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JULY**

## Vicar's Tea Party

If you are willing and able to donate a bottle of wine or another donation for the Vicar's Tea Party, they would be gratefully received, and will help considerably towards the Water into Wine and Rev's Barrow events. The items can be collected or they can be dropped off to Revd Gary Best at The Rectory, Earl Soham, IP13 7SD. Looking forward to seeing you on 11<sup>th</sup> July, for an afternoon of fun for all ages!

# SUFFOLK HARP COMPANIONS



## *A Musical Extravaganza with Suffolk Harp Companions*

*Featuring music from harps, flutes, violins and  
clarinets*

*with Celtic lullabies and ballads*

**St. Peter's Church Charsfield**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

**7:30pm**

Refreshments

All donations towards church ceiling repairs

# CHARSFIELD WITH DEBACH NOTES



## UPDATE FROM

### CHARSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

#### Have you signed up?

**Get Charsfield news via Friends of Charsfield** emails or WhatsApps. For village news, updates and family get-togethers, and even lost animals and property, sign up to the Friends of Charsfield service. Increasingly used, now by most residents, this has proven very useful recently, for all of the above! To register for any of this information please get in touch with the Charsfield Parish Clerk.

#### Charsfield Emergency Plan

Charsfield Village hall has been approved by East Suffolk Council as an officially Designated ESC Rest Centre for Charsfield, helps us in various ways in the event of any emergency. The village plan is now refreshed, tested and approved... hopefully never to be used!

#### Charsfield Easter Event

was well attended on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April, thanks to all who helped, provided refreshments and came along. More events to follow in 2026.

#### Charsfest

Our village fete runs this year on the afternoon of Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1-5pm in the Charsfield Recreation Ground. Hope you and your families can make it along for stalls and exhibits, tractors and vintage machinery, Suffolk Punch horses, food & drink refreshments and live music with family entertainment and games for all ages.

#### Charsfield Primary School

Our village school has had installed new "Please slow down" road signs, (see below) one either side of the school – you may have seen these. Each features a winning drawing from last year's school drawing competition. Many thanks to our District Councillor Dan Clery for funding this. It also delivers on the objectives of the local SAVID team – improving road safety in our East Suffolk villages. In addition, a grant has been made available from East Suffolk Council, through the local Community Partnership of ESC and local parish councils, to refresh the school front garden and two new all weather picnic tables. The school and parish council are very grateful to all involved.

#### Community Energy

The Charsfield community energy feasibility study has now started.

Residents may soon see a short survey, online or through the letterbox, about their energy use.

It's anonymous, the consultants are just trying to get the overall Charsfield energy consumption as a total. This will help determine if a scheme would provide for the whole village energy needs.

**Your Charsfield Parish Council contact is Viviane Ward** [clerk@charsfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@charsfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk)  
[www.charsfield.org.uk](http://www.charsfield.org.uk)

## Our school is ahead



**Please drive slowly**

## Our school is ahead



**Please drive slowly**

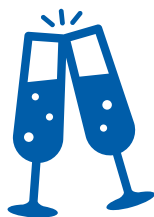
# All welcome at Charsfield Village Hall!

Table  
Tennis

## Pop Up Bar



Contactless  
Payment



**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> June**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July**

**7pm – 10pm**

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# CHARSFIELD WITH DEBACH NOTES continued

## CHURCH READERS & SIDES PEOPLE, ST PETER'S, CHARSFIELD

| Date                                                                     | Readers                                                                                                 | Sides person |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>June 7<sup>th</sup></b> 10am<br>Benefice Service<br>Hoo               | Benefice Holy Communion<br>Rogation<br>All Welcome                                                      |              |
| <b>June 14<sup>th</sup></b>                                              | No Service at Charsfield<br>Please check the Magazine for details of Services elsewhere in the Benefice |              |
| <b>June 21<sup>st</sup></b> 6.30pm<br>Evening Prayer                     | Linda<br>Franki                                                                                         | Linda        |
| <b>June 28<sup>th</sup></b> 10am<br>Holy Communion                       | Sheila<br>Margaret                                                                                      | Margaret     |
| <b>July 5<sup>th</sup></b> 10am<br>Benefice Holy Communion<br>Cretingham | Benefice Holy Communion<br>All Welcome                                                                  |              |
| <b>July 12<sup>th</sup></b>                                              | No Service at Charsfield<br>Please check the Magazine for details of Services elsewhere in the Benefice |              |
| <b>July 19<sup>th</sup></b>                                              | No Service at Charsfield<br>Please check the Magazine for details of Services elsewhere in the Benefice |              |
| <b>July 26<sup>th</sup></b> 10am<br>Holy Communion                       | Lesley<br>Linda                                                                                         | Linda        |

## COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all involved with the Church coffee morning especially Lesley Fuller and John Lepper who hosted at Oakridge. We are grateful to everyone who helped sell plants, cakes and produce and ran the raffle. Also, for all the donations of plants, cakes, produce and raffle prizes.

Thank you to everyone who attended the coffee morning which made £514 which will go towards repairs to the chancel ceiling at St. Peter's.

## CHARSFIELD FLOWER CRAFT AND PRODUCE SHOW 2026

The schedule for the Charsfield Flower Craft and Produce 2026 will be available soon. Copies will be available at Charsfield Village Hall, the Old Telephone box and the porch at St. Peter's church, Charsfield and downloadable from the Village Website.

Entries can be made on the entries evening Tues 21st July 7pm-9pm in Charsfield Village Hall or via e.mail- details in the schedule. There will be no entry fees for this special year, the 95th Anniversary of Charsfield Flower Show.

So get snapping photos, growing flowers and vegetables, crafting and baking!

| ST. PETER'S CHURCH CHARSFIELD FLOWER ROTA |                |           |               |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------|
| 06-Jun-26                                 | Bev Gugenheim  | 04-Jul-26 | Joyce Whitley |
| 13-Jun-26                                 | Linda Stratton | 11-Jul-26 | Maureen Arbon |
| 20-Jun-26                                 | Linda Stratton | 18-Jul-26 | Maureen Arbon |
| 27-Jun-26                                 | Joyce Whitley  | 25-Jul-26 | Angela Farmer |





**CHARSFIELD**

**95TH**

**FLOWER**

**PRODUCE AND  
CRAFT SHOW**

**SAT 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026**

**2PM FOR VIEWING**

**REFRESHMENTS/RAFFLE**

**PRIZEGIVING 4:30PM**

**(DOORS OPEN 8AM -10.15AM FOR  
ENTRIES)**

**ENTRIES EVENING**

**TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY**

**7-9PM**

## CHARSFIELD WITH DEBACH NOTES continued

### CHARSFIELD AND DALLINGHOO WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



We invite you to join us or visit us and enjoy interesting speakers, friendly company and excellent catering!

Our meetings are held at either Dallinghoo village hall (in the summer) or Charsfield village hall (in the winter) on the second Monday of the month at 7.45pm.

Guests and new members are always welcome - for more information contact the Secretary, Ros Bayley at [CharsfieldDallinghoo@sefwi.org.uk](mailto:CharsfieldDallinghoo@sefwi.org.uk) or 01473 737171

We would love to have some new members join us. Give us a try, come along as a guest and see what we're like!

8<sup>th</sup> June DVH – 7.45 pm New Scotland Yard East End Games Terrorists

13<sup>th</sup> July DVH – 7.45 pm Smugglers On Our Coast

12<sup>th</sup> August Garden Party

*thank you, all good wishes, Ros*



## Cream Teas at Charsfield Church 2026

3-5pm

3rd Sundays in month:

**June 21, July 19, August 16, September 20**

Proceeds to Church Funds



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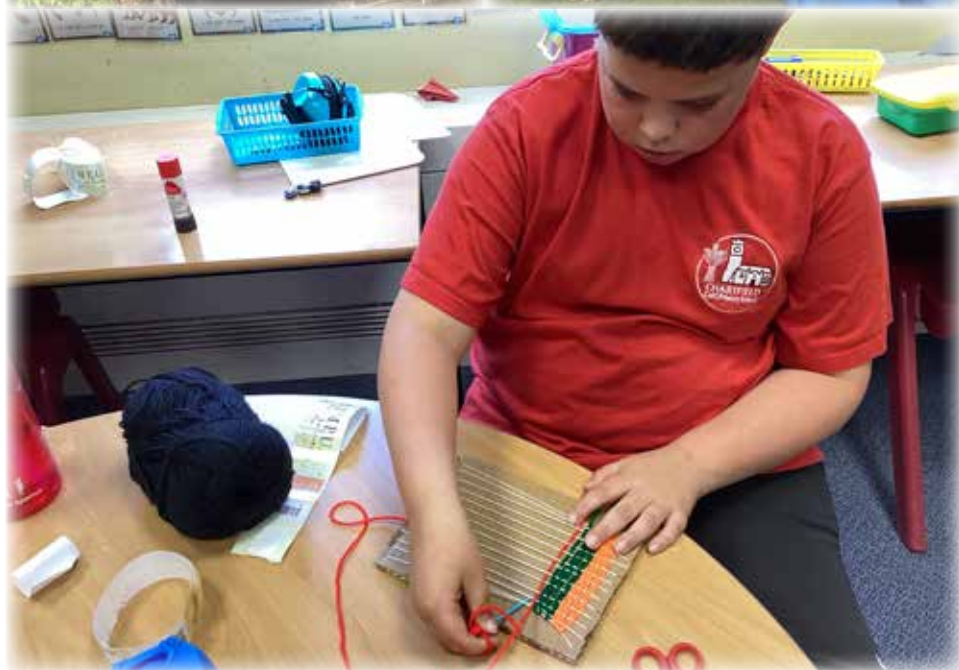
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### NEWS FROM CHARSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are delighted to be welcoming Little City back to the school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a FREE session for anyone to attend between 10.45 and 11.45am. Please call the school office to reserve your place.



## Singing is seriously good for you.....!

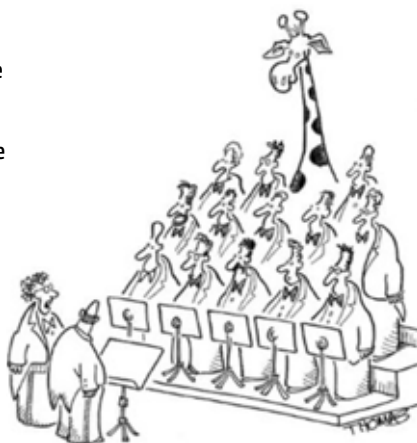
Did you know that singing with others, in a choir for example, can lead to a greater level of psychological wellbeing? And, that singing in a group can produce measurable benefits such as improving heart rate and blood pressure? It has even been found to boost immune function. And it's fun!

The Mid-Loes Choir has been singing at the monthly Benefice services for 2 years now, with an expanding repertoire of traditional church anthems, psalms and chants (Google 'These are they which follow the lamb' by John Goss – one example of what we have sung on a Sunday). We also bolster the congregational singing of hymns, adding a bit of extra volume to the service.

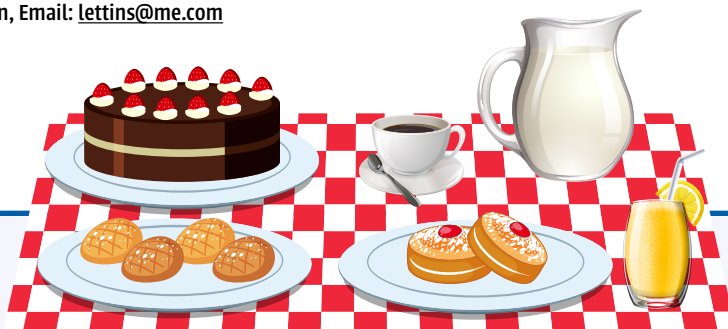
We would love to welcome some new voices (all ages!) to the choir across the full vocal range – base to soprano – so if you used to sing at school (or still do in fact), or just like to sing along to what is on the radio, come and have a go. We have a 1 hour rehearsal, usually the Wednesday before the monthly Benefice service, and are in church at 9am for a practice immediately before the service at 10am. That is just 3 hours each month.

You do not need to have had previous experience, just a good ear and the wish to sing with a pretty relaxed and sociable group of people. Please get in touch for further information .

Jonathan Lettin, Email: [lettins@me.com](mailto:lettins@me.com)



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## COFFEE AND CHAT IN ST PETER'S, CRETINGHAM

Our popular Coffee and Chat get-togethers continue on:

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June      Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July**

From 10.30 until Noon – fresh coffee, a selection of teas, biscuits and (increasingly) CAKE are served, along with CHAT about all manner of subjects.

**COME AND JOIN US ALL ARE WELCOME**

**Check the Aug/Sept magazine for our autumn dates.**



# CRETINGHAM NOTES

## ST PETER'S CRETINGHAM

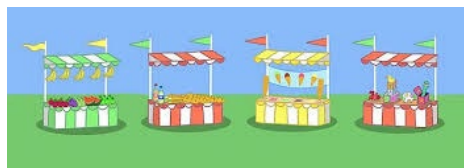
Our Patronal Festival service celebrating St Peter the Apostle will be held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June starting at 11.00am and led by our Rector – Revd Gary



It will be followed by an alfresco lunch in the churchyard – bring your own food. Drinks will be provided.

St Peter's are delighted to be hosting the July Benefice service when our singing will be led by the well-established Benefice Choir.

Light refreshments served after worship.



## VILLAGE FETE

Not long now until the Village Fete on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30pm. A cornucopia of sideshows, tombolas, games, competitions and distractions to entertain young and old.

It is followed by a BBQ at The Bell – be sure to have booked your tickets with Clare on 0795883010 alternatively email on [cretingham.villagecom@outlook.com](mailto:cretingham.villagecom@outlook.com)

St Peter's Church are running a Grand Draw, Tombola, Crafts stall and BookSale throughout the afternoon. Your support will be greatly appreciated.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Please use the Prayer Boxes found in all the benefice churches or email [midloesprayer@gmail.com](mailto:midloesprayer@gmail.com)**

## FOR YOUR DIARIES:

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September Sponsored Cycle Ride** in aid of Suffolk Historic Churches.

Full details from Alister on 07799 588106 or email: [tubric.cottage@gmail.com](mailto:tubric.cottage@gmail.com)

Our **Harvest Supper** this year is on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September** and will be in Brandeston Village Hall. More details in the next magazine.

The following day – **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>** – will be our **Harvest Festival** service. Make a note in your diary to join the congregation and see the creative and colourful flower displays by talented neighbours from across the village.

And further ahead our brain-teasing **Quiz Night** is back! Will Charsfield successfully defend their success last year when they won the Rector's Cup? **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October** is the date and the venue – Brandeston Village Hall.

The following piece appeared as part of the Annual Report and Accounts of the Church Council – published last month. I believe it merits a wider audience and is reprinted below.

*Alister*

## THANK YOU

During 2025 our long-standing organist – Pauline Cobley – expressed her wish to step back from that demanding role after a period of many, many years. It's impossible to remember a time when Pauline hasn't been a leader in so many aspects of the life of St Peter's. Alongside her regular commitment as Organist she has been a mainstay in the organisation of virtually EVERY fundraiser over the past 40 years. So much of her work was undertaken behind the scenes but those of us who worked alongside her know only too well how much time and energy she devoted to the PCC and its responsibilities. Her gently persuasive phone calls and face-to-face chats encouraged so many of you to support events and activities and the PCC misses her wise and experienced counsel in our discussions.

**ON BEHALF OF THE PCC AND THE VILLAGE – THANK YOU PAULINE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.**

# CRETINGHAM FETE

2.30pm - 5.00pm Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July

*Tombola*

*Grand  
Raffle*

*Fun & Games*

*Face  
Painting*

*Teas & Cakes*

*Lucky Dip*

*SPLAT THE RAT*

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day please.

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Emmerson Cottage

THANK YOU

*Competitions*



## Dallinghoo Barbeque

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

12:00 to 14:00

at

Dallinghoo Village Hall



Bring your own drinks



**Tickets:** Adults - £10; under 12 - £5

**Purchase by 15<sup>th</sup> August by emailing:**

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**[No email? Call Dawn Gill on 01473 737296 to book tickets]**

# DALLINGHOO NOTES



## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who supports Dallinghoo St Mary's Church and Village hall events. Whether you attend coffee mornings, plant sales, BBQs, Quiz nights, Fayres, Indian food nights or Harvest supper, you are contributing to keeping the Parish of Dallinghoo alive and thriving. All the events that are organised by The PCC, Village Hall Committee or the Church Repair Fund Committee are done to keep Dallinghoo a vibrant and active community with the Church and village hall at its centre. Please keep supporting these events!

## DALLINGHOO COFFEE MORNING

The last coffee morning which was held on Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> was a great success and we raised an amazing **£165**. Our next coffee morning will be held **Saturday 6th June 10 - 12 at Dallinghoo Village Hall**. Breakfast rolls and cream teas will be available, eat in or take-away. There will also be a cake sale and pre-loved items stall. Call in, there is no obligation to stay, get your coffee and bacon/egg roll or buy some cakes. We look forward to seeing you.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July - coffee morning and meet Reverend Gary 10 - 12.** Come for a breakfast roll and get chatty with Rev Gary, ask him your questions about St Mary's church or midloes benefice.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August - Coffee Morning 10 - 12.** Breakfast rolls, cake sale, pre-loved sale.

**Ideas for future fundraising events:** We have a few ideas for future fundraising events such as Bingo, Safari Supper, Barn Dance, Cheese & Wine tasting. We need you to let us know what events you want to attend. A lot of time and effort is put into organising these events, but these will only be successful if we have people who will support them by attending. If you want to get involved in any event or maybe have an idea as a fundraiser please get in touch.

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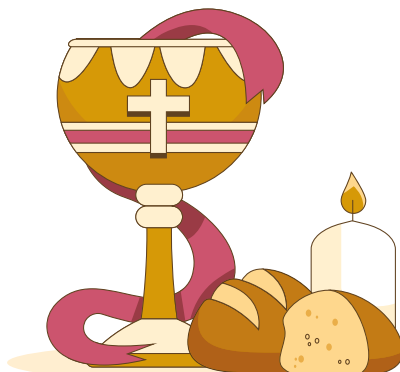
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**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June  
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A reflective Holy Communion service followed by a light lunch to which all are welcome. Please let Revd Kathleen know if you are coming in order to help with planning.

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# **Calling all Church Volunteers...**

## **An Invitation from Revd Gary** **Volunteer Sunday**

**On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, a service will be held at St. Mary's Church, Earl Soham, celebrating the time and commitment given by so many to keeping their local parish church open.**

I am always amazed at the amount of time and effort that volunteers continue to give to their parish church, whether through cleaning, grass cutting, flower arranging, being member of the PCC, helping at the many church events held across the benefice, and many other ways, where their help is genuinely appreciated.

As a way of saying thank you to you all, you are invited to join me for a service where we will acknowledge and give thanks for all that you do as a volunteer in keeping our churches open, welcoming, and loved, by so many.

Please join me for

**Volunteer Sunday – 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

**St. Mary's Church, Earl Soham, 10am**

*Followed by refreshments at The Rectory*

It would be impossible to hand out a personal invitation to the many volunteers in our benefice, so please accept this as a formal invitation to join me on 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

**I look forward to welcoming you to Volunteer Sunday...**

**love and blessings, Revd Gary**

# READINGS & CHURCH SERVICES JUNE 2026

| Church                    | June 7 <sup>th</sup>                                         | June 14 <sup>th</sup>                  | June 21 <sup>st</sup>                  | June 24 <sup>th</sup>                 | June 28 <sup>th</sup>                     |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
|                           | 1 <sup>st</sup> after Trinity<br>Green                       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> after Trinity<br>Green | 3 <sup>rd</sup> after Trinity<br>Green | Taize Service<br>Wednesday            | 4 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity<br>Green    |
| Ashfield                  |                                                              | 6.30pm<br>Evening Prayer<br><b>VB</b>  | 8.30am<br>Holy Communion<br><b>GB</b>  | X                                     | X                                         |
| Charsfield with<br>Debach |                                                              | X                                      | 6.30pm<br>Evening Prayer<br><b>GB</b>  | X                                     | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br><b>KM</b>       |
| Cretingham                |                                                              | 10am<br>Morning Prayer<br><b>AG</b>    | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br><b>KM</b>    | X                                     | 11.30am<br>Patronal Festival<br><b>GB</b> |
| Dallinghoo                |                                                              | X                                      | 10am<br>All-Age Worship<br><b>WVG</b>  | X                                     | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br><b>GB</b>       |
| Earl Soham                |                                                              | 10am<br>All-Age Worship<br><b>WVG</b>  | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br><b>GB</b>    | X                                     | 10am<br>Morning Prayer<br><b>CW</b>       |
| Hoo                       | 10am Benefice<br>Rogation Holy<br>Communion<br><b>KM/WVG</b> | X                                      | X                                      | X                                     | 8.30am<br>Morning Prayer<br><b>GB</b>     |
| Letheringham              |                                                              | X                                      | X                                      | 6.30pm<br>Taize Service<br><b>WVG</b> | X                                         |
| Monewden                  |                                                              | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br><b>KM</b>    | X                                      | X                                     | 10am<br>All-Age Worship<br><b>WVG</b>     |

| Date                                           | Readings                                 | Psalm        |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>June 7<sup>th</sup></b><br>Benefice Service | Romans 4:13-end<br>Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26 | 33:1-12      |
| <b>June 14<sup>th</sup></b>                    | Romans 5:1-8<br>Matthew 9:35 – 10:8      | 116:1, 10-17 |
| <b>June 21<sup>st</sup></b>                    | Romans 6:1-11<br>Matthew 10:24-39        | 86:1-10      |
| <b>June 28<sup>th</sup></b>                    | Romans 6:12-end<br>Matthew 10:40-end     | 13           |

## Key to Service Leader:

**GB** = Revd Gary Best;

**KM** = Revd Kathleen Martin;

**WVG** = Revd Wendy Gourlay;

**AG** = Alister Gourlay, Lay Elder;

**CW** = Churchwarden;

**VB** = Veda Berriman, Reader.





| Church                    | July 1 <sup>st</sup>                     | July 5 <sup>th</sup>                     | July 12 <sup>th</sup>               | July 19 <sup>th</sup>               | July 26 <sup>th</sup>               |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                           | Morning Prayer                           | 5 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity Green      | 6 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity Green | 7 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity Green | 8 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity Green |
| Ashfield                  | 10am<br>Benefice<br>Morning Prayer<br>GB |                                          | 6.30pm<br>Evening Prayer<br>VB      | 8.30am<br>Holy Communion<br>GB      | X                                   |
| Charsfield<br>with Debach |                                          |                                          | X                                   | X                                   | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br>KM        |
| Cretingham                |                                          | 10am<br>Benefice<br>Holy Communion<br>GB | 10am<br>Morning Prayer<br>KM        | X                                   | X                                   |
| Dallinghoo                |                                          |                                          | X                                   | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br>KM        | 3pm<br>All-Age Pet Service<br>GB    |
| Earl Soham                |                                          |                                          | 10am<br>Morning Prayer<br>CW        | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br>GB        | 10am<br>Morning Prayer<br>AG        |
| Hoo                       |                                          |                                          | 8.30am<br>Holy Communion<br>KM      | X                                   | 8.30am<br>Morning Prayer<br>GB      |
| Letheringham              |                                          |                                          | X                                   | X                                   | X                                   |
| Monewden                  |                                          |                                          | 10am<br>Holy Communion<br>GB        | X                                   | 10am<br>All-Age Worship<br>WG       |

| Date                                     | Readings                                   | Psalm           |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| July 5 <sup>th</sup><br>Benefice Service | Romans 7:15-25<br>Matthew 11:16-19, 25-end | 45:10-end       |
| July 12 <sup>th</sup>                    | Romans 8:1-11<br>Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23     | 119:105-112     |
| July 19 <sup>th</sup>                    | Romans 8:12-25<br>Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43  | 139:1-11, 23-24 |
| July 26 <sup>th</sup>                    | Romans 8:26-end<br>Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 | 105:1-11        |



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Congratulations to Will and Emma Prowse who were married at Earl Soham on 21<sup>st</sup> March.  
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# EARL SOHAM NOTES

## THANK YOU

The Trustees of the Friends of St Mary's Church, Earl Soham would like to thank the local community for their support at the recent Concert performed by the Ipswich Hospital Band.

The concert raised £883.80, and after the costs, including the band's, the Friends donated £437.80 to assist with replacing of the nave floor.

## ST MARY'S ALTAR AND ROLL OF HONOUR FLOWERS AND BRASSES ROTA

|                                          |                          |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| June 2026                                | Mrs Rothery / Mrs Hinton |
| July 2026                                | Mrs Edmundson            |
| August 2026                              | Mrs Patterson            |
| Any problems please ring Denise - 685234 |                          |



**Are there any more flower arranging enthusiasts out there  
who can help us show some love to our beautiful church?**

**If so, please contact Denise.**

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### Upcoming meetings:

- May 28<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm - Positive Ageing, with Christine Webber
- June 25<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm - Protecting the UK Border, with James Jarvie
- July 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.00pm - Apples, with Barbara McElroy

There is always a lot going on, come along as a guest to find out!

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## ST.MARY'S CHURCH, EARL SOHAM CHURCH BUILDING WORK - PROGRESS UPDATE

With thanks for the support we have had for the Church Fabric Fund from the fete, social events, some very generous donations and the trustees of the Friends of St. Mary's, a number of urgent items identified by the Diocesan Architect in the 2024 Quinquennial Report(QR) have been completed - new drains to the South and North of the Church, roof guttering renewed and leading repaired, and Tower emergency lighting installed. We still have a lot to do to address the items identified as top priority in the QR, and the remaining work will require significant funds. We will now be proceeding with grant applications to the appropriate charities.

We extend our grateful thanks to all who support us in our endeavours to maintain our beautiful Church and we, of course, hope that you will continue to support our events and fund raising activities in the future.

# HOO HALL

Open Garden and Concert

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2026**  
**2pm - 5.30pm**

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## HOO NOTES

### HOO HALL OPEN GARDEN 14 JUNE 2026

A final reminder that the gardens at Hoo Hall will again be open in aid of Hoo Church, on the afternoon of Sunday 14 June 2026, from 2 to 5.30pm. This is our major fundraising event of the year so please come along and support our lovely little church, and in the meantime, pray for fine weather! Full details are on the attached flyer, and for those who have visited before you will see that the usual delicious refreshments and raffle tickets will be on sale to support the church.

As well as generously opening his garden for the umpteenth year in succession, Graham Nicholson has again organised a concert in the church in aid of the Hoo Church Building Trust, with the instruments this year hopefully to include a harpsichord.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the afternoon of 14 June.

*Francis Whitbread*



### A BUSY EASTER AT HOO

The Easter holiday period saw a busy time for Hoo.

On Good Friday there was a performance of Joseph Haydn's 'The Last Seven Words of Christ' by the Hoo Quartet in Hoo Church. This work was originally commissioned in 1786 and this was a perfect opportunity to hear this moving piece of music which is rarely performed nowadays.

The members of the Hoo Quartet were Graham Nicholson and Stefan Bown – violins, Keith Berry – viola and Masa Kurokawa – cello whilst Mark Saunders acted as narrator.

Light refreshments were provided after the performance and enjoyed by the audience who had come from far and wide.

We wish to thank Graham Nicholson for his initial idea to hold this concert and for his efforts in assembling the musicians, organising rehearsals and helping organise the event. We thank Graham, Stefan, Keith and Masa for playing for us and Mark for being our narrator. Thanks also go to those who generously provided refreshments and helped on the day.

On Easter Sunday there was a joint service with Monewden at Monewden Church.

Over the Easter weekend a crow took up residence inside the church and in spite of efforts by some PCC members the bird refused to leave. On the Tuesday morning Mark Saunders finally persuaded our lodger to leave but by this time the bird had left significant disruption and mess inside the church. Sonia Sanders then spent considerable time cleaning up and laundering items which had been affected by our visitor.

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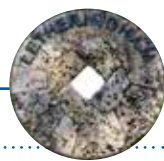
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# LEATHERINGHAM NOTES



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# MONEDWN NOTES

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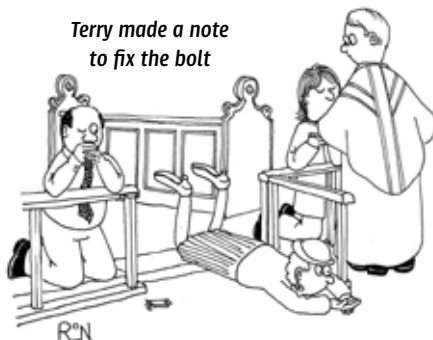
Our next **SATURDAY CAFÉ** will be on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and July 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. onwards. Real coffee, tea, breakfast and bacon rolls will be served. Come and join us, this monthly event is now very popular. The 100 Club prizes for June and July will be drawn at these events

## FIRS FARM COMMUNION

will be held at lunch time, 12 noon, on Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. These services will be taken by Revd. Kathleen Martin, and take place on the second Thursday of the month. Anyone in the Benefice is very welcome to attend.



*Terry made a note  
to fix the bolt*



## ROTA

| Date    | Flowers/Brasses | Church Cleaning    | Sidesperson | Coffee   |
|---------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| June 14 | W. Heath        | M. Sills           | B. Martin   | C. Saxby |
| June 28 | S. Kingston     | L. Grier           | D. Grier    | L. Grier |
| July 12 | M. Gibson       | F. Watts & C Saxby | L. Grier    | W. Heath |
| July 26 | L. Grier        | J. Vonberg         | J. Dinwiddy | C. Saxby |

# Pet Service

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July 3pm St Mary's Church Dallinghoo

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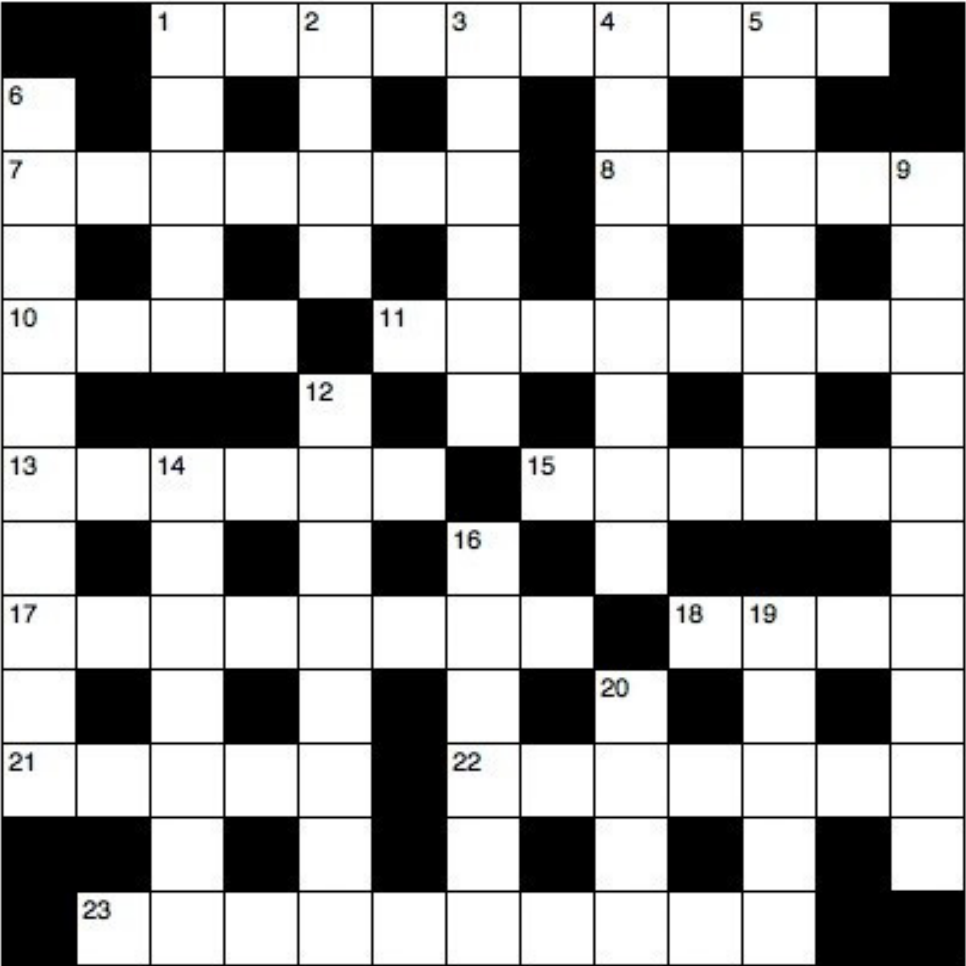
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## Across

- 1 Evil (Genesis 6:5) (10)
- 7 Musician called for by Elisha when he met the kings of Israel, Judah and Edom (2 Kings 3:15) (7)
- 8 The request that led to the institution of the Lord's Prayer: 'Lord, – us to pray' (Luke 11:1) (5)
- 10 'We are hard pressed on every –' (2Corinthians4:8)(4)
- 11 Fraud (2Corinthians6:8)(8)
- 13 'His troops advance in force;they build a siege ramp against me and – around my tent' (Job 19:12) (6)
- 15 Where Rachel hid Laban's household gods when he searched his daughter's tent (Genesis 31:34) (6)
- 17 'Now about spiritual gifts,brothers,I do not want you to be –' (1 Corinthians 12:1) (8)
- 18 Nomadic dwelling(Genesis26:25)(4)
- 21 'As for man,his days are like – ,he flourishes like a flower of the field' (Psalm 103:15) (5)
- 22 Or I live (anag.)(7)
- 23 Those guilty of 1 Across(Romans13:4)(10)

## Down

- 1 'God so loved the – that he gave his one and only Son' (John 3:16) (5)
- 2 'Away in a manger, no – for a bed' (4)
- 3 Mob ten (anag.) (6)
- 4 'Each – group made its own gods in several towns where they settled' (2 Kings 17:29) (8)
- 5 Began (Luke 9:46) (7)
- 6 Speaking very softly (John 7:32) (10)
- 9 Workers Ruth joined when she arrived in Bethlehem with her mother-in-law Naomi (Ruth 2:3) (10) 12 Put in jail(Acts22:19)(8)
- 14 Aceturn(anag.)(7)
- 16 Discharge(Acts21:3)(6)
- 19 'All these – come from inside and make a man "unclean"' (Mark 7:23) (5)
- 20 'Let us rejoice and be glad and – him glory!'(Revelation19:7)(4)

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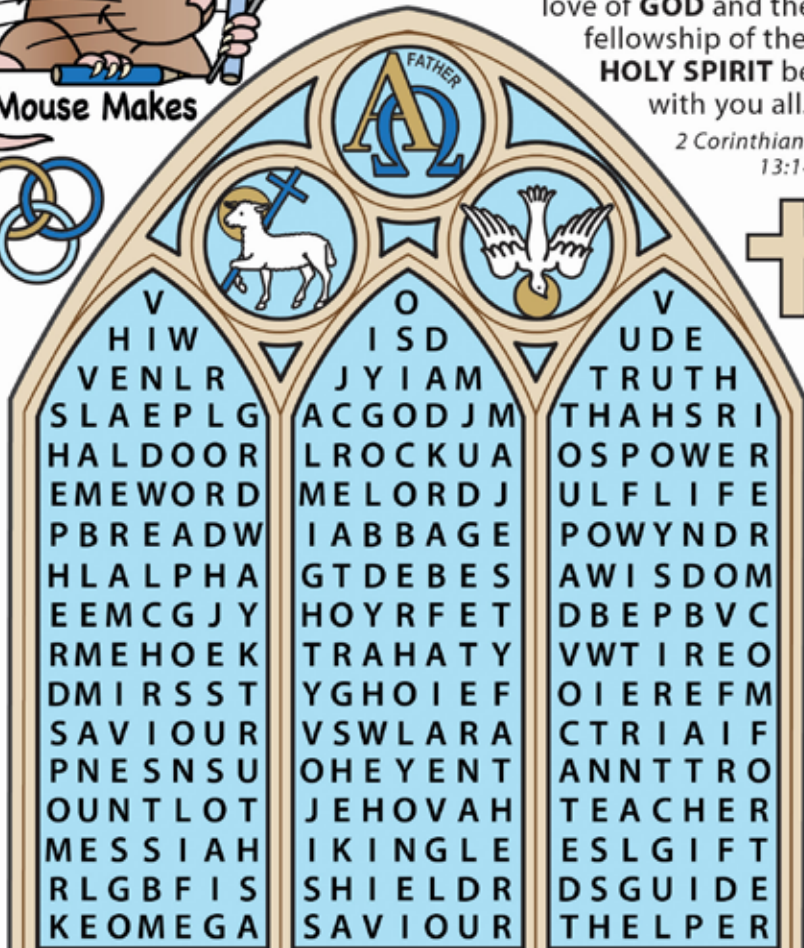
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**DOWN:** 1, World. 2, Crib. 3, Entomb. 4, National. 5, Started. 6, Whispering. 9, Harvesters. 12, Imprison. 14, Centaur. 16, Unload. 19, Evils, 20, Give.

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