

# WORSHIP & EVENTS

IN THE NORTH BELTISLOE GROUP OF PARISHES

BOOTHBY PAGNELL, BRACEBY, HUMBY CHAPEL,  
INGOLDSBY, LENTON, OLD SOMERBY,  
ROPSLEY, SAPPERTON



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MARCH – MAY 2022



## Breakfast Clubs

### CENTRO PALABRA DE VIDA, ARGENTINA

Pastor Inan Alberti leads the church in this deprived area of Salta. Many of the children in the area would go to school hungry, and without adequate clothing and school essentials, if it were not for the breakfast clubs, which Inan and his wife have set up. Because we have a personal link with the Clubs through Rachel Alberti, who is British and has links in this area, we know that every penny that we send goes directly to support the Clubs.

Please give generously to this vital work.

- Cash or a cheque (made payable to Rachel Alberti) can be left at the Rectory. *Please mark the envelope with your name and address so a receipt can be issued.*
- For bank transfer details please email Anna.



## ST BARTHOLOMEW, INGOLDSBY

Christmas brought church and community together this year with a coffee morning, the School's Nativity play, seasonal Messy Church activities, and a well-attended community carol service on Christmas Eve – complete with mulled wine and nibbles – to crown the season. There was a great repeat performance of the 'Reverse Advent Calendar' (one where you put good things in rather than taking them out!). The Food Bank sent their blessings to the village for all our help throughout the year.

The whole village enjoyed the second year of Advent Windows co-ordinated by Jo Elston-Moscrop. Thanks go to Jo and everyone who took part, and we (who weren't responsible for it at all!) hope it will become an Ingoldsby tradition.

Looking forward to Spring, Anna will be running a course called 'Well-being in a time of uncertainty' on *Wednesdays in Lent, 12-2* including a soup lunch.

We will hold a *monthly coffee morning* in church from **10.00-11.30** starting on *Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup>*. Everyone's welcome to join us and neighbours for coffee, cake and a catch-up.

Our regular Sunday services are on the *second and fourth Sundays* of each month at **11.00am**. Look out for our Palm Sunday procession and family service - complete with pony! – at **11.00 on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April**. We hold a very *informal Morning Prayer every Thursday at 10.00*, and will be delighted to welcome new faces. *Messy Church* continues to flourish on the *second Saturday of every month from 10-12* in church, with activities and crafts, stories and a simple lunch.

Finally, looking ahead to May, our *AGM* will be held in church at **7.00pm on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May**; and our popular Plant Stall will happen on *Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>* this year (time tbc).

*Hilary Gilbert – Churchwarden*

*Ps. We are looking for someone with keyboard skills who might be able to help out with the music for our worship. Offers would be gratefully received.*

## BRACEBY

It is wonderful to be back in Braceby church after the work that was done on the roof, after the lead theft in 2019.

We had a lovely Carol Service, in a church which had been beautifully prepared and decorated. A big thank you to Jo Webber and all the Braceby team for their hard work.

We are now looking forward to welcoming the other parishes to our Group Communion on 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 10.00.

Our Christmas carol service took place on Sunday, December 19th, presided over by Anna. Many thanks to all the organisers and those who provided the excellent refreshments. As usual, gifts for underprivileged children were placed under the Christmas tree. There was an abundance of gifts again this year and we are very grateful to all those who gave so generously. Philippa delivered the presents next day to the food bank, where they were very much appreciated. Alan conducted Holy Communion on Christmas morning, which was well attended.

Our main fundraising event for 2022 will be our combined Dog Show and Fete, to be held on Sunday, June 26th. It will follow the same format as previous years. Further details will follow in due course.

It is with great sadness we have to record the passing of two more respected members of our community, Jim Hazell and Syd North. We extend our deepest sympathy to both their families.

Our Parochial Church Council is now depleted in numbers, as is the number of people we can call upon for day to day duties. Furthermore, the debate around the *Resourcing Sustainable Church* document is continuing, and will eventually decide the future of our church. The intention was to hold a coffee morning in the church for the purpose of consulting the village, but this has been delayed, for lack of positive information. However, please note that the Annual General Meeting of the PCC is to be held on Thursday, March 24th at 7pm in the church. This is always a public meeting, in which the officers for the coming year are elected, and it is also an opportunity for open discussion. We always welcome anyone who is interested to attend, and this year we are particularly keen to hear your views.

Our next special service will be on Easter Sunday, April 17th at 9.30am. It is quite a late Easter, so the church should be full of Spring flowers. All are most welcome at this (or any) service.

Len Watson

Churchwarden (01476 568439)



We started the build up to Christmas in Ropsley in early December, with our Coffee morning held at the rectory. We had various craft stalls, Christmas wreaths, a raffle and lots of delicious homemade cakes. It was a very enjoyable event and a good way to get into the festive spirit.

Our community carol service went ahead later in December, outside in the churchyard. Plenty of people came along for a service of favourite carols and readings.

During Advent, we had the build up to the nativity, with posts from Anna on Facebook and email, about the various characters finding their way to 'Bethlehem'. (Ropsley Church!) These characters are all hand knitted and made a lovely, colourful nativity scene at the front of the church.



On Christmas Eve, we had the Crib Service, where Anna told the Christmas story in a fun and interactive way-it had the children enthralled!

We celebrated the arrival of Christmas with the Midnight Communion service. The church was looking beautiful with candles, winter greenery, the Advent Wreath, Nativity Scene and the Christmas tree.

We have services planned every first and third Sunday and an Evensong service on the fourth Sunday of the month, everyone is most welcome. Please find details on the website, Facebook or the Pew Sheet (available electronically or paper copies can be found in church).

We are looking forward to a year of special events, so watch this space – for our Spring Coffee Morning; Platinum Jubilee Celebrations; Sunday Concert with Lili La Scala; and a Santa Express (courtesy of Robert Holland).

*Helen Sloss - Churchwarden*

## WORSHIP IN MARCH 2022

### 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ash Wednesday

10.00	Ropsley	Prayers for the Sick & Ashing
19.00	Old Somerby	Worship for the Beginning of Lent

### 6<sup>th</sup> – First Sunday in Lent

10.00	Boothby Pagnell	Holy Communion
10.00	Ropsley	Morning Worship

### 13<sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday in Lent

10.00	Old Somerby	Holy Communion
11.00	Ingoldsby	Morning Worship

### 20<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday in Lent

10.30	Lenton	Morning Worship * <i>note new time</i>
10.00	Ropsley	Holy Communion

### 27<sup>th</sup> – Mothering Sunday

10.00	Ropsley	MOTHERING SUNDAY WORSHIP
10.00	Old Somerby	Morning Worship
11.00	Ingoldsby	Holy Communion
18.00	Sapperton	Evening Worship

## WORSHIP IN APRIL 2022

### 3<sup>rd</sup> – Fifth Sunday in Lent

10.00	Boothby Pagnell	Holy Communion
10.00	Ropsley	Holy Communion

### 6<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday

10.00	Ropsley	Prayers for the Sick with Holy Communion
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### 10<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday

10.30	Ingoldsby	All Age Worship & Procession of Palms
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### 11<sup>th</sup> – Monday in Holy Week

19.00	Sapperton	Night Prayer & Reflection
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### 12<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday in Holy Week

19.00	Humby	Night Prayer & Reflection
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### 13<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday in Holy Week

19.00	Old Somerby	Night Prayer & Reflection
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### 14<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday

19.00	The Rectory	Shared Meal: Recalling the Last Supper
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<b>15<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday</b>		
14.00	Ropsley	An Hour at the Cross
19.00	Lenton	Stations of the Cross
<b>16<sup>th</sup> – Easter Eve</b>		
15.00	Sapperton	Easter Evensong
18.00	Ropsley	Lighting of the Easter Fire
<b>17<sup>th</sup> – EASTER DAY</b>		
09.30	Old Somerby	Easter Community
10.30	Boothby Pagnell	Easter Communion
10.30	Lenton	Easter Morning Worship
11.00	Ingoldsby	Easter Communion
11.00	Humby	Easter Morning Worship
<b>24<sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday of Easter</b>		
10.00	Sapperton	Holy Communion
<b>29<sup>th</sup> – Advent Sunday (P)</b>		
	Online	Songs of Praise

## WORSHIP IN MAY 2022

<b>1<sup>st</sup> – Third Sunday of Easter</b>		
10.00	Boothby Pagnell	Holy Communion
10.00	Ropsley	Morning Worship
<b>4<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday</b>		
10.00	Ropsley	Prayers for the Sick
<b>8<sup>th</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>		
10.00	Old Somerby	Holy Communion
11.00	Ingoldsby	Morning Worship
<b>15<sup>th</sup> – Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>		
<b>10.30</b>	Lenton	Morning Worship * <i>note new time</i>
10.00	Ropsley	Holy Communion
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> – Rogation Sunday</b>		
10.00	Braceby	Benefice Communion
Afternoon ‘Beating of the Bounds’ at Lenton – details to follow		
<b>26<sup>th</sup> – Ascension Day</b>		
19.00	Ingoldsby	Ascension Day Worship & Wine
<b>29<sup>th</sup> – Sunday after the Ascension</b>		
10.00	Old Somerby	Benefice Communion

## GREAT AND LITTLE HUMBY

Humby enjoyed Christmas celebrations with our annual carol service followed by a most enjoyable village social kindly hosted by Tess and Paddy Buckley. On Christmas Day a large congregation, including a number of visitors, marked Christ's birth in the traditional manner with the service led by Colin McGarrigle followed by festive mulled wine on the chapel green.

Sadly, this was Colin's final chapel service as he and Erica, having sold Corner House Farm, left the village in early February. Just before they left, nearly all the village gathered on the village green to say a surprise farewell to them both. They were presented with a framed photograph of Humby chapel on which was written the following, which sums up the wonderful contribution they made to both the chapel and our social life by hosting so many village gatherings:

“To Colin and Erica. As a token of our appreciation for your kindness, generosity and tremendous contribution to the life of our village since 2003. Presented by your friends and neighbours in Great and Little Humby. January 2022”.

We know that Colin will be greatly missed across our villages as for many years he has led many services in all our churches.

We have also lost two long-time residents: Richard Pert who died last year and John Todd just a few days ago. They both, for many years, were a real part of village life: may they rest in peace.

However, life continues to evolve with, over recent months, a number of new residents moving into Humby. We warmly welcome them and hope they enjoy the tranquillity and sociability which has always been a feature of Humby life.

We are now planning ahead and looking to how we can maintain and enhance our village as well as our special little chapel. Hopefully we will also be marking our Queen's Platinum Jubilee in the village during the special holiday in June with suitable celebrations!

## SAPPERTON

Despite only being February, Spring is already in the air at Sapperton with the fruits of our Autumn planting beginning to appear in the rear churchyard.

We recently installed a new gate which links this part of the churchyard with fields beyond allowing easier access to the public footpath that runs through our



grounds and then onward towards Braceby and the Short Hollow track. This footpath is frequently used by ramblers as evidenced by our visitors' book.

The rear church grounds will be further enhanced by a lovely memorial bench in memory Janet Saunders which will be placed in position and dedicated on Easter Saturday at a benefice Evensong with the choir at 3pm. Please tell anyone you have contact with who knew Janet about this service as all will be welcome.

We do see St Nicholas as central to the life of our small village so we do try to focus on our mission to serve all the community. A recent example being a local family using the church for a quiz on Boxing Day. Additionally, we are carrying out feasibility work to have a broadband dish permanently installed on top of our tower, which will be mainly out of sight, to bring additional internet speed to the village and with the added benefit of Wi-Fi in the church.

The community of Sapperton is very fond of its church and grounds so we try to maintain the building and fabric as far as we can. Recently some gravestones have been made safe and one grave stone cross inadvertently broken (by none other than the Churchwarden!!) has been skilfully repaired.

We welcome everyone of all ages to our services and events irrespective of being a Sapperton resident or not. Rest assured you will be warmly received.

Fred Mann Churchwarden

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## LENTON

Lenton Parish has had a busy time despite a lull for Covid Omicron to get through! A Carol service was well attended even though mulled wine and mince pies had to be served outside. On the first Saturday in December we held our first coffee morning which was well attended and enjoyed. The next one is on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30-12 and all are welcome to drop in during that time for coffee, cake, chat and book and DVD swapping. Toys and games available and children are most welcome. First Saturday Mornings of each month are now a fixture in the Lenton diary.



WEBSITE FOR THE GROUP OF PARISHES



# NORTH BELTISLOE GROUP OF PARISHES LENT 2022:

*YOU ARE THE TEMPLE OF THE  
HOLY SPIRIT*

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: *A LITTLE BIT OF DAILY INSPIRATION*

*Receive a daily email during Lent, with a Bible verse and reflection to inspire your day. If you are not on the parishes mailing list, join by mailing [sorensenanna8@gmail.com](mailto:sorensenanna8@gmail.com)*

## LENT COURSE: *WELL-BEING IN A TIME OF UNCERTAINTY*

*We have come through some dark and difficult times in the past two years, which have tested our resilience. Now we need to be built up again – in body, mind and spirit. Lent, a time of growth and renewal, is the perfect time to begin to do this.*

*These sessions are about taking time out for God and for ourselves; to share fellowship and prayer; and learn from each other.*

*The topics will include:*

*What it means to be a child of God; The breath of life; The bread of life  
Sleeping and dreaming; The sacrament of the present moment*

### WEDNESDAYS 12.00 – 14.00

March 9<sup>th</sup>; 16<sup>th</sup>; 23<sup>rd</sup>; 30<sup>th</sup>; April 6<sup>th</sup>

- 12.00 Soup and chat
- 12.30 Activity & discussion
- 13.30 Quiet time
- 13.45 Time of prayer
- 14.00 Close

at Manor Farm Barn, Lenton, NG33 4HG (by kind invitation of Ruth & Clive Davies)

Come and  
join us for:



at Ingoldsby Church on the second Saturday of  
each month, 10.00 - 12.00.



*All children welcome with a well-behaved adult!*