

MID LOES BENEFICE

Ashfield-cum-Thorpe, Charsfield with Debach
Cretingham, Dallinhoo, Earl Soham,
Hoo, Letheringham and Monewden

August 2021

Note From Your Curate

I find it difficult to believe that it is a year since Stephen presided over his last Benefice Service at Dallinhoo last August. It was a very memorable occasion on a bright sunny day with an outdoor service followed by a bring your own picnic. All much enjoyed by the many people who were there. Stephen, as you know, will be returning on the anniversary of his last service to Earl Soham on August 1st. He will be preaching, and baptizing his new granddaughter, Nellie. There are still some worries about social distancing, so numbers will have to be restricted by ticketing, please contact Chris Pratt about tickets.

When I embarked on my Ordinand training four years ago I could never have imagined being left to hold the fort during this interregnum. I only ever saw myself in an assistant role. Having said that I have enjoyed the challenges of the last year, it has been a very steep learning curve which has been made more difficult by the Covid 19 pandemic. May I take this opportunity to apologize for any mistakes I have made over the last year and to thank the ministry team, churchwardens and PCC's for their support.

Now we are being told that we should be able to resume some sort of normality and learn to live with Covid, at the same time we must protect people who still feel vulnerable in whatever way we can in order to make everyone feel safe. It is up to all of us to rebuild the congregations that have suffered with reduced numbers, to rebuild our community spirit and to actively encourage more people to come through that church door, by sharing the Good News of the love of God. Prayers and blessings, Kathleen

Prayer for the month

Loving Father, help us to listen carefully
to the call of Jesus.

Give us a love for him that sends us out
to tell others of his power and greatness.

May we share in the mission and in his message
by the way we live and speak

Amen.

TAIZÉ WORSHIP

These quiet, reflective services of singing, prayer and silence are based locally but open to everyone across the Loes Deanery.

Under the leadership of the Rev'd Wendy Gourlay we launched these monthly services in 2019, continuing online during 2020.

The services last for around 45 minutes and are a mixture of simple worship chants in the Taizé tradition, silence, prayers and readings. For those who like simplicity in worship and perhaps something slightly different this could be just for you!

First Sunday of the month at 4 pm in Easton Church –
1st August, 5th September and 3rd October.

Holiday Club is back!

"Top Team 2021"



Holiday Club 2021 at Brandeston Village Hall

16th, 17th, 18th August

This is booking up very quickly – please book in advance – we can't guarantee a space if you just turn up on the day.

Please call me/email me if you would like to book a place for your child/children

Jo Reed 01728 685794

reedjo@hotmail.com

PRAYER FOR HEALING

A small group meets every month and if you would like prayer for yourself or someone close who is ill or in any kind of need please get in touch with any of the following:

Kathleen Martin - 01473 737 285

Pauline Cobley - 01473 737 317

Margaret Salter - 01473 737 182

Mary Vellacott - 01728 685423

Your call will be treated in the strictest confidence .

EARL SOHAM NOTES

Rota for the Altar and Roll of Honour Flowers and Brasses-St. Mary's		
AUGUST	Mrs Pratt	Mrs Lancaster
SEPTEMBER	Mrs Rothery	Mrs Hinton
Any Problems Ring Lyn—685278		

From Earl Soham Primary School.

We are working as a school to renew our book stock. For those of you who are not aware we have:

- Written book reviews, which are then uploaded to Topsta (a review site for children's books). This gives us the opportunity to win books in their giveaways. So far since Easter we have had 5 new books this way.
 - We follow authors, book bloggers and magazines in order to enter competitions or to receive giveaways. We have had books, bookmarks and magazines in this way.
- We registered with an online bookshop, Berts Books, and were lucky enough to receive 10 books through their "BuildABookshelf" campaign.
- More books have been donated by the customers of A New Chapter online bookshop. I've also played their online bingo in the hope of winning more books!

We have now registered a list of books with A New Chapter bookshop that we would like.

We know the past year has been difficult but if you feel able to help us build our new library and would like to donate a book the link is:

[https://www.anewchapterbooks.com/shop?Wishlist+\(All+Schools\)+Earl+Soham+Community+Primary+School](https://www.anewchapterbooks.com/shop?Wishlist+(All+Schools)+Earl+Soham+Community+Primary+School)

We would like to support the independent bookshop that has supported us, however if you would like to help using a different supplier we would be happy to accept, please could you let us know. If you are in a position to donate there will be no postage costs and the cost of the books is displayed so you are able to choose a price to suit you.

Many thanks for reading and if you need any further information please contact the school email: ad.earlsoham.p@talk21.com for attention of T Lander.

fun on the green

Keep the date free!

Saturday 7th August 2021

From 2:30pm to 4:30pm, we invite you to join us for tea and games on The Green.

Refreshments – Pimms – Games

Raffle – Cake Stall – Plants & Produce
'Pre-Loved' & Books

Bring family and friends – and a rug to sit on

See you on Saturday 7th August

for Earl Soham Church Events Committee

ASHFIELD NOTES

ST MARY'S CHURCH, VANDALISM/THEFT.

It is extremely disappointing to have to report that St Mary's was attacked by vandals recently. A candle snuffer was broken and the wall box where donations are placed was forced and we believe there to have been a small amount of cash stolen. It would appear that we were targeted by individuals known to the church/village. If anyone saw anything remotely suspicious on or around Monday 5th July please can they pass any information on to Jane Davidson, myself or confidentially to Crimestoppers. Thank you.

ASHFIELD-cum-THORPE PARISH COUNCIL.

At the time of writing this we have a number of speed monitoring devices operating within the village. These, unlike the flashing signs, actually record the velocity of each vehicle. Once the data has been collected it will be determined as to whether the proposal for a 40mph limit approaching the village from the north can be progressed or not.

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council takes place on Wednesday 8th September at 7.30pm. It will be a physical meeting held either in the village hall or church. If there is anything that you would like to raise at the meeting this can be done in the 'public forum' at the beginning of the meeting. If possible it would be helpful if the Clerk could be given prior notice of such issues so that we can if necessary get information together ahead of the meeting otherwise the item may need to be carried over until the following meeting.

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Mid week Morning Prayer

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DR DAN POULTER MP

Member of Parliament for Central Suffolk and North Ipswich

As I sit to write this month's article, I am hopeful that very soon indeed, we will all soon be enjoying a greater semblance of normality with the current COVID restrictions being lifted as we head into summer.

I know for many of us there was great disappointment that the restrictions weren't all lifted on 21st June, but in the circumstances, retaining some of the restrictions for just a little longer seemed to be the only sensible thing to do. In my opinion, it was better to put the brake on slightly now – as the Prime Minister has stated, the next steps out of the road map are irreversible. A small delay until 19th July just allows us a little more breathing space to make sure that as many people as possible will have received their vaccinations.

People who are not vaccinated or who have only received one dose are remain particularly vulnerable, so at the moment, it is a race between the vaccine and this highly transmissible form of the virus. Vaccinations are the only way out of this pandemic. Our vaccination effort here in Suffolk remains outstanding, with the county consistently being rated top for its role in vaccinating Suffolk residents. The majority of people here are very happy and proud to receive their vaccine and it is especially encouraging to see our younger cohorts coming forward so enthusiastically to receive their vaccination, especially now that the successful programme has opened to all those over the age of eighteen. Like many of us, they recognise that being vaccinated is the way forward from the restrictions that have hampered us for so long.

For some, there is still a little hesitancy around receiving the vaccine but - if people are not vaccinated, a reservoir of Covid may remain in the wider population and this potentially increases the chances of the virus mutating. The evidence tells us that it is only by having both doses of the vaccine that we have the highest level of protection against becoming seriously ill from COVID. Although some may feel that they are protected after just one vaccination, the levels of protection after one jab are around 33%, so it really is imperative to have that second jab for maximum protection. Getting vaccinated is everybody's business and responsibility and I would therefore urge everyone to get vaccinated as soon as is practicably possible. We all have a responsibility to protect our friends, family and neighbours who may be more vulnerable than we are.

As we move ahead from 19th July, I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible as we start to emerge from the pandemic and look forward to enjoying summer events such as garden fetes and village shows.

CHARSFIELD WITH DEBACH NOTES

Church Rotas

Date	Readers	Sides person
1st August 10am Benefice Holy Communion, Earl Soham	Benefice Holy Communion Earl Soham All welcome	
15th August 6.30pm Evening Prayer	Ros Linda	Linda
22nd August 10am Holy Communion	Sheila Cherry	Cherry
5th September 10am Benefice Holy Communion, Charsfield	Benefice Holy Communion Charsfield All welcome	

Readers, please remember to bring your own Bible.

Cleaning Rota

Aug 14th	Aug 28th
Gill & Beverley	Ros & Lucy

Flower Rota

7th & 14th	21st & 28th
Maureen Arbon	Bev Gugenheim

Summer Sale

Many thanks to all the helpers, cake makers, growers of beautiful plants and donators of books, bric –a-brac and raffle prizes.

Above all, many thanks to everyone who supported the Sale in the Village Hall on 10 July 2021. It was a very happy, chatty occasion and it was a delight to catch up again with friends and neighbours. Everyone spent well and in addition we were particularly grateful for the generous donations given by many of those who were unable to come. Thank you all so much.

In the two hours we were open, we raised £571 for St Peter's Church Fabric Fund. Two hours well spent! Thank you all.

Pauline & Margaret for St Peter's PCC

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Kathleen

Invitation to all Charsfield School parents and carers

Treat yourself to a moment of calm with coffee and a chat before getting on with your busy day.

We will be serving coffee in St Peter's Church on Friday mornings from **Friday 10th September** and would be very pleased if you had time to join us for a while after dropping your children off at school.

We will be there from 8.30am with the kettle on!

All ages most welcome.

Gill Winkworth, Charsfield

CHARSFIELD BAPTIST CHAPEL

Sunday services will continue to be held in the Chapel Hall for the time being. All are welcome to join us at 11am. There is no need to give advance notice that you wish to attend.

The Chapel will be opening again for personal prayer each morning, Monday to Saturday, between 9.30 and 10.30am, from Monday 19th July. Please drop in - you don't need to stay for the whole hour!

THE COFFEE POT is back! Our regular Tuesday coffee morning in the Chapel Hall is restarting on 27th July, and we are looking forward to seeing you. Come for a chat and refreshments. Catch up with former acquaintances and make new friends. Note the new time - 10-11.30am.





The children can play on the swings again in Charsfield thanks to some sterling effort from Peter Holloway, Wayne Isaacs and Alan and Ian Ward.

Let's get together at:

THE BIG CHARSFIELD VILLAGE PICNIC ON THE REC

SATURDAY 21ST AUGUST 12 NOON TO 3PM

Charsfield Recreation Ground

Bring your own food, drink and seating

Date for your Diary: Friday 15th October 7.30pm Music Quiz in Charsfield Village Hall. Ploughman's Supper. Details to follow.

Contact: Jan Pedgrift 02473 737701 or Janpedgrift@btinternet.com

CHARSFIELD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Charsfield C of E Primary school we have had a jam packed term! Here are just a few of the things we have been able to do this term.

In PSHE KS2 pupils have been learning about money: how it can be acquired through jobs, benefits and gifts; how it can be spent using cash, debit cards and credit cards and very importantly, how to save it; in the bank or at home. To help them get to grips with the value of money they were set a group challenge of holding an event to raise funds for a charity. They had to divide themselves into teams to handle different aspects of the challenge;

- Marketing team; in charge of promoting the event, posters and advertisements
- Creative team; to design craft items to sell
- Sales team; to decide on how to sell items and promotions to run on the day
- Management team; to oversee organisation, problem solving and run the votes.

Finance team; to cost the resources and ingredients, organise funding (petition Mrs Reeve, Head of School, for the funds) and cash up at the end.

They were able to have an after school sale outside (fortunately the weather stayed dry) of all the goodies we had baked and made to raise money. We are delighted to report that the pupils managed to raise a very impressive £50.61 (after costs and float were deducted) for the Rainforest Trust.

In June the pupils made around 30 cards for gentleman residents at Handford House Nursing Home who would otherwise not have received anything on Father's Day. They have been building links with the nursing home over the last year and the children get a lot of satisfaction out of being able to give a little back to the community and enjoy the correspondences they have with the residents.

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils have all taken part in Bikeability, where they learn how to ride a bike safely on the road. Our two instructors, who spent a total of four days with us, were very impressed with the high standards of cycling and behaviour of our pupils. Our Year 6 pupils proved themselves to be incredibly competent so they were able to cycle a slightly more challenging route! We were delighted that everyone passed Level 2 and earned a certificate, booklet and badge in our Celebration Assembly. Well done!

We were thrilled to be able to hold our annual Sports Day this year and, even more importantly, invite our parents to watch the races in the afternoon. In the morning the children were in their bubble groups and took part in activities with their House Team. In the afternoon, parents were able to come and watch the children take part in relay races in their bubble groups. It was a really successful day, where every child was made to feel valued and encouraged by their team mates. The weather was kind to us with a mixture of sunny, fine, dry weather and we were incredibly lucky to finish just before an enormous downpour!

We are looking forward to the last few days of term, where our KS2 pupils will be performing Treasure Island to small audiences and KS1 pupils will be visiting Norwich Castle and seeing Dippy the Dinosaur on their first school trip this year!

If you would be interested to find out more about our rural primary school, please do call us on 01473 737347 or look at our website www.charsfieldprimaryschool.org.uk

CYRIL JAMES KINDRED

Cyril James Kindred was born on November 26th 1930 the youngest child of Alfred and Florence Kindred: He was one of nine surviving children having 4 brothers and 4 sisters. Sadly, my grandparents also had twins who were stillborn.

Cyril grew up in Hacheston and went to school there before moving on to Wickham Market senior school, leaving at the age of 14.

He started work for A.J.Hall & Sons, the local grocery shop, and would be seen delivering groceries on a trade bike. When he was old enough he passed his driving test and Halls bought a mobile shop which Cyril would drive around the local villages Marlesford, Hacheston, Parham, Pettistree, Loudham, Blaxhall, Tunstall, Easton and Charsfield.

In 1971 The Hall family sold the business to The Co-op and Cyril continued to work for them, originally as a grocery driver but when this service stopped he transferred to the Dairy department and continued to deliver Gold, Silver, Red, Blue, and Green tops to the people of Wickham Market.

Many a time Cyril would go beyond the call of duty and do things for his customers, who amounted to over 500 at the time.

He would do shopping, collect prescriptions and other odd jobs for his loyal customers: I've known him to light fires, get the coal in, hang out washing and load washing machines - nothing was ever too much trouble for him to help people out. He continued to work as a milkman until he retired in 1995.

After delivering the milk Cyril would go home, have something to eat and drink, then head off to Shrubbery Farm and help the Kitson family out in the afternoons during the Harvest and Autumn busy period.

Well I say he retired he didn't because the Kitson family then had chickens on the farm and he became a delivery driver for them delivering eggs all over Suffolk, all this time as a delivery driver he would seldom be seen without his collar and tie on.

After the egg deliver business finished Cyril then went on to become the caretaker at the village hall which he did up until failing eyesight, Macular Degeneration, was diagnosed and then Cyril finally retired.

Cyril did National service in the RAF and we remember him telling us that when he was flying with a pilot the pilot said he was going to loop the loop again. Cyril was not impressed. Des O Connor was also serving in the RAF at this time.

Cyril kept a good garden and I remember as a young child always wanting to go out with him and help or hinder in my own way.

We planted Potatoes, Onion sets and Bean seed together at the time as I was too young to handle the smaller seeds. I remember someone saying to him once "Cyril you don't seem to have any flowers in your garden" to which he replied, "The only flowers that I'm interested in growing are the ones I can eat - Cauli-flowers".

During this time of part time work he also served the village as a Parish Councillor, was on the village hall committee, a Deacon here at the Chapel and also the local co-ordinator of the Poppy Appeal and collector for the Red Cross.

Cyril and Ruth met probably at school but started courting in the early 1950's. They were married Charsfield Chapel on March 12th 1955 - 66 years ago.

Philip arrived in September 1958 and Neville in July 1961.

Philip and Cilla were married in June 1990.

Cyril and Ruth were absolutely delighted when James joined the family in July 1993 and Naomi in July 1996, Hollie and Coran have become part of the family in 2019.

Cyril was always a family man who loved having the family around him when he was able to go out on trips with them - we all have fond memories of trips out with him.

Neville and I have fond memories of our family holidays when we were young. We always went to a caravan site in Pakefield near Lowestoft and much fun was had at that time.

On a Thursday night we would go to Nicholas Everitt park in Oulton Broad to watch the power boat racing, funny thing was Cyril was never very fond of water, except for a wash or shower.

Cyril had an operation for cancer in Norwich hospital in 2000 but he bounced back.

In 2018 he fell and broke his thigh and another stay in hospital but still he came back from this.

He bought himself a rollator and would be seen walking around Chapel Lane and the minor roads in the village. Everybody would always stop and speak to him he was a very well-liked and respected man.

Cyril passed peacefully away in Hospital at 5am on June 25th; the time he would normally leave the Woodbridge depot to deliver the milk in Wickham Market.

Finally there is a comical Benny Hill song about Ernie fastest milkman in the West, a lyric from which says "They won't forget Ernie"

Charsfield and Wickham Market won't forget Cyril.

Philip Kindred

An in depth tour of St Mary's, Dallinghoo, led by an expert

The Dallinghoo Church Repair Fund

Registered Charity 803135



Friday 3rd
September 2021



This is a chance to hear, Roy Tricker, the celebrated speaker on churches. In particular, he is an expert on Suffolk's churches and in 2018 was awarded the British Empire Medal for his services to heritage in Suffolk.

Beginning at 6:00 pm, the occasion will include a talk and tour of the church led by the man himself. This will conclude at about 7:30 with a glass of wine or a soft drink and nibbles. Cost: £5.00 apiece; children under 16 free. Tickets in aid of further repairs from Jeremy Quinlan: JeremyQ@tiscali.co.uk, 01473 737700 or The Old Rectory, Dallinghoo IP13 0LA.

An enthralled church-crawler since the age of four, he spends his time sharing his passion for these amazing buildings, praising and promoting them from lectern and pulpit. He gives many lectures and slide shows, has written over 200 church guidebooks, published other books and has broadcast on radio and TV. He is sure the love of churches is absorbing and infectious for people of all religions and of none. Also, that every old church is the most interesting in the country, because each has its own unique characteristics, well worth getting to know and love. His delightful, enthusiastic and well researched talks inspire his audiences.

We have recently spent more than £100,000 repairing the outside of the church. Come and see what we have done.

We were unable to raise enough to repair the inside. Come and see what we shall be doing next - and what else we should like to be able to do.

SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2021

Church	Aug 1st Trinity 9 Green	Aug 8th Trinity 10 Green	Aug 15th Blessed Vir- gin Mary White	Aug 22nd Trinity 12 Green	Aug 29th Trinity 13 Green
Ashfield-cum- Thorpe	↓	6.30pm Evening Prayer	8.30 Holy Communion		
Chars field w. Debach	↓		6.30pm Evening Prayer	10am Holy Communion	
Cretingham	↓	10am Morning Prayer	10am Holy Communion		10am Holy Communion
Dallinghoo	↓	6.30pm Holy Communion	10am Family Service		10am Morning Prayer
Earl Soham	10am Benefice Holy Communion	10am Family Service	10am Holy Communion	10am Morning Prayer	
Hoo	↑	8.30 Holy Communion		8.30am Morning Prayer	
Monewden	↑	10am Holy Communion		10am Family Service	6.30pm Evening Prayer
Letheringham	↑		11th Aug 6.30pm Evening Prayer		

READINGS FOR AUGUST 2021

Date	Holy Communion	Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer	Psalm
Aug 4th	Ephesians 4: 1-16 John 6: 24-35		
Aug 8th	Ephesians 4: 25 to 5: 2 John 6: 35, 41-51	1 Kings: 19: 4-8 John 6: 35, 41-51	Psalm 34 vs 1-8
Aug 15th	Galations 4: 4-7 Luke 1: 46-55	Isiah 61: 10-end Luke 1: 46-55	Psalm 45 vs 10-end
Aug 22nd	Ephesians 6: 10-20 John 6: 56-69	Joshua 24: 1-2a, 14-18 John 6: 56-69	Psalm 34 vs 15-
Aug 29th	James 1: Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9 Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Psalm 15

The Benefice Holy Communion
On Sunday 5 September
10am
Is at St. Peter's, Charsfield
All Welcome

CRETINGHAM NOTES

Flower and Cleaning Rota

	Altar Flowers	Cleaning
August	Mrs Chenery	Churchwardens
September	Miss Cobley	As Per New Rota

Services for August in St. Peters are –

8th August 10 am Morning Prayer.
15th August 10 am Holy Communion.
29th August 10 am Holy Communion.

We need your help - St. Peters Church needs cleaning each month,



Henry Hoover available plus all other equipment. Do as much or little as you are able. It also means that there is a walk-through of the interior with different eyes each month which the Churchwardens are very grateful for. Pre-Covid we had just the Churchwardens and 2 amazing volunteers taking it in turns through the year. If you feel able to take on a month (actual cleaning couple of times that month) please, please drop me a line and just say which month you would like. heather.runacres@hotmail.co.uk. On a personal note I would like to say a huge thankyou to Alister and Wendy Gourlay who have carried out the cleaning of the church during the pandemic.

ROLL UP, ROLL UP

Saturday 14th August 2021 on Oak Corner, Crettingham.

3pm onwards Fete with music played by The Ipswich Woodwind Band, refreshments, games and races for all ages. BBQ and gentle Jazz over at The Bell after 6 pm for those with tickets – **HAVE YOU ORDERED YOURS YET?**

Form was in July Magazine or email to paulinehome-farm@hotmail.com or lina.hogg@outlook.com. Pre-ordered BBQ tickets can then be collected and paid for during the afternoon at the Fete.



Parish Giving Scheme – for St. Peters Church by way of a regular donation – forms are available from the church porch or can be downloaded from www.parishgiving.org.uk. Our parish code is 330633439 – Diocese of St. Edmundsbury & Ipswich. Alternatively please don't hesitate to contact Alister Gourlay our Church Treasurer (details in the front of this magazine). Thankyou so much to those villagers who have already used the scheme, it makes a massive difference to us xxx.

St Peter's Church, Cretingham - 100 Club.

We relaunched the 100 club at the Church Fete back in 2019 and had awarded 5 months-worth of prizes before the Covid-19 lockdown. For obvious reasons, it has been in abeyance since that time so subscribers should be aware that there are still 7 more draws to take place before renewal letters arrive on their doorstep! The first of these will be at the Fete on 14th August and then run on to February 2022. The monthly draws will normally take place in the Bell on the first Friday of each month.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE A TICKET FOR THE 100 CLUB (or would like to purchase more) spare numbers are available at a cost of £14.00 each. That gives you the chance to win £25 or £15 each month - although the Fete draw will award double that - so £50 or £30.

Please contact me (01728 685335 or email tubric.cottage@gmail.com) to sign-up. I will also take new subscribers on the day of the Fete.

Suffolk Historic Churches Sponsored Cycle Ride.

The annual Cycle Ride is here again! We hope that the opportunity to help your fitness post-restrictions and see some wonderful Suffolk countryside and churches will inspire many of you to cycle for St Peter's and the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust (which share the sponsor proceeds 50:50).

I have sponsor forms and lists of the churches that are open. Please just call 01728 685335 or email tubric.cottage@gmail.com and I'll deliver them to your door.

The ride is on Saturday 11th September and churches will be open from 9am to 5pm. I am also seeking volunteers to be in our church during those hours to register the riders as they journey around. If you can help for just an hour (or more!) please get in touch. Thank you.

Alister Gourlay

DALLINGHOO NOTES

Dallinghoo services for June

		Sidesperson
1st August 10am	Benefice Service at Earl Soham —All Welcome	
8th August 6.30pm	Holy Communion	C Sullivan
15th August 10am	Family Service	D Gill & T Love
29th August 10am	Morning Prayer	C Pennington

Open Gardens

The Village Open Gardens event in June was a fantastic success: the gardens; the refreshments; and also the weather all combined to make a memorable occasion for all involved. With over 300 tickets sold it was great to share our village with so many visitors from near and far (even though the traffic was pretty heavy at times). The event raised over £3,000 for the Dallinghoo Church Repair Fund which is an amazing result. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the event a success, in particular Helen Tye who put in so many hours co-ordinating and organising us all.



Roof fall in church – latest news

Many of you will be aware that there was a fall of plasterwork inside the church in June. This has meant that the front of Dallinghoo church is temporarily closed to access – in case of further falls. Undeterred, we are continuing to hold our regular services in the main section of the church. The PCC and the DCRF are hopeful that repairs will be carried out in the autumn but this is a reminder of the continuing challenges that older church buildings present. Special thanks to Robin Tye – who has spent so many hours engaging with the intricacies of church building features.

Suffolk Historic Churches Ride and Stride

The annual cycles ride will be on 11 September this year. This is a great opportunity to (re) discover the Suffolk countryside while raising money for a worthwhile cause. Half of the money raised is directed to your nominated church and the remainder is used by the Historic Churches Trust for grants to churches requiring major repairs. We were fortunate in being awarded a significant grant from the Trust for the recent work on the church.

We are also looking for volunteers to sign the sheets of those visiting Dallinghoo church. Sponsorship forms are available in the porch of the church – and also from Andy Sullivan (07866311237).

We'd like to encourage some of our younger residents to take part – this is a great introduction to road cycling as there are so many bikes on the local roads through the day and there is a warm welcome at each of the churches along the route. This year we thought a group cycle on a short route round the local churches – around 5 miles- might be quite fun. If you're interested, please let Andy know as you collect your sponsorship form..



Dallinghoo Church Repair Fund - Open Gardens - Sunday 13th June

This was a huge success. Seven gardens and the church were open. A few days before, we had sold 65 tickets and had promises from another 61 that they would come. In the end over 300 came.

Open Garden Tickets	£1,575
Tea and Cakes	£533
Draw Tickets	£774
Plant Sales	£111.65
Donations, workshop, drinks, ice creams, etc.	£383.66
Total	£3,377.31

	Raffle Prizes	Winner
1	£100.00 in cash	Rev Kathleen Martin
2	Greyhound Pub Voucher £50.00	Clare Johnson
3	Laphroaig Whisky	Abi Lucas
4	Hill Farm Bee Bundle	Lindsay Lee
5	Hill Farm Flavoured Oils	Mr & Mrs Bridle
6	Ufford Park Spa Voucher	Bridgett Quinlan
7	Revett's Voucher £10.00	Mrs Anderson
8	Garnett's Gardens Voucher	Andy Sullivan
9	Red rose in a pot	Mr & Mrs Bridle

PLEASE SEE AD ON PAGE15!



HOO NOTES

AFTERNOON TEA

To coincide with National Afternoon Tea Week, Hoo church are holding their own afternoon tea event on Saturday 14 August between 1pm and 5pm. Join us for a refreshing cup of "Rosie Lea" and a delicious piece of cake in the relaxing surroundings of a perfect little Suffolk country church on a summer's afternoon.

For those who like a bit of exercise before their afternoon tea, we have a cycle treasure hunt on a route on the quiet lanes around Hoo. The distance will be around seven miles, so ideal for a family group as well as regular cyclists.

Our recently retired churchwardens, Perry Branton and Margaret Doe, involved Hoo church in many community events over their long tenure, and the afternoon tea on 14 August is intended to continue their legacy. All monies raised will be donated to FIND (Families In Need), a local Christian based charity that supports families and individuals affected by poverty or dispossession.

SHARING SUPPER

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DATE	FLOWERS & BRASSES	CLEANING	SIDESPERSON	
Aug 1st	I Watts			
Aug 8th	M Gibson	J Vonberg	W Heath	
Aug 15th	M Skeet			
Aug 22nd	J Coe	W Heath	P Keeble	
Aug 29th	A Hamilton		M Skeet	

READERS: Aug. 1 Benefice Communion; Aug. 8 Margaret, Caroline; Aug. 22 Family Service; Aug. 29 Jill, Paul.

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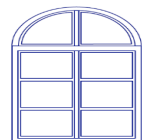
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