



FROM THE RECTOR

New Year's Eve for many is a time of celebration. Whether you party into the small hours or stay at home and have an early night, may this new year be a time of blessing.

We don't always appreciate things that are new, where our past and the future can weigh heavily on us. In this, those who share a Christian faith are challenged and seek renewal in and through their relationship with Jesus.

In placing our time within his time, we learn to walk not singly in our own strength, but open to his loving purpose.

Those who genuinely seek to grow in that relationship of trust are blessed indeed.

Happy New Year!

Fr Brian

GROUP SERVICE

Sunday 2nd January, 10.00, at Calthorpe Church.

There will be no other act of worship in our six parish churches on this day.

This is a chance to meet and pray together.

On 6th February the Group Service will be at Ingworth at 10.00

°MESSY CHURCH°

at Erpingham Church, with Erpingham School

Tuesday 25th January, 9.00 - 10.00

Fun for all ages

All very welcome

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism	at St Mary's Aldborough	28th November	Jack Gray
Funerals	at St Mary's Erpingham	26th November	Irene Brett
		7th December	Roger Duffield
	at St Mary's Aldborough	14th December	Wendy Chapman

FROM THE EDITOR'S POSTBAG

Joyce and Geoffrey Duffield would like to express their very sincere appreciation to Fr Brian, family, friends, and indeed so many, for their love and kindness shown on the sad untimely death of Roger, a much loved husband, father, son and brother. It has been a great comfort. Thank you.

Week beginning Sunday

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISHES

JANUARY

2	The whole of the Scarrowbeck Group
9	Thurgarton: Bessingham Road, Chapel Road
16	Aldborough: Doctor's Corner and Hall Road
23	Calthorpe: The Street and Wickmere Road
30	Alby: Church Road, Lane End and Middle Hill



18th – 25th January is observed throughout the world as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

CPAK (10 - 14s Group) The next **Horstead weekend** will be **25th – 27th February**. There'll be a **Pizza party** on **Thursday 13th January** at The Rectory for those who would like to go to Horstead this year. Eleanor will be sending invitations to all those who have been before or who have expressed an interest already, but would be happy to hear from anyone else who is interested in going for the first time - **ages 10 to 18**.

(Have a look at www.scarrowbeckbenefice.org.uk to see some of the things they get up to at Horstead.)

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday 25 January, 2.30 - 4.00, in Prince Andrew's Chapel, Aldborough
Topic: ANGELS

In our November meeting we got round to talking about angels, but ran out of time. So we shall continue to find out more about them at this session. Any and all are invited to contribute. We shall look at the roles angels play in the Bible, and also, if you have any reference to modern day experiences with angels, please bring those along too. Just remember what the writer of Hebrews said: 'Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.' [Chapter 13, verse 2.]

WE TOO WILL BE SHOWING HOSPITALITY - COME AND SHARE A CUPPA WITH US!



Prince Andrew's Chapel
Aldborough

Living the message of Jesus in North Norfolk



You are welcome to join us on
Sunday mornings at 10.45.
(for about an hour)

We meet as members of God's family,
to learn how to apply what the Bible teaches to our lives, and to encourage one another.

Tea, Coffee and Conversation are available after the services!



CLUB for 5 - 11 year olds

Games, music, DVD, crafts, quizzes ...

every Thursday in term-time

6 pm - 7.15 pm at Prince Andrew's Chapel

ALBY CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

Despite the bad weather the coffee morning on 1st December was a successful event which raised £230. We would like to thank everyone who helped and supported us.

A special thanks to Aldborough Church Room for letting us use their facilities.

Monica and Ann

ALDBOROUGH CHURCH ROOM

Have you seen the new curtains? The Garden Club's generous gift from the proceeds of their Open Gardens Day last June has made this improvement possible. Many thanks to their members.

ALDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Items from the minutes of the December meeting

(Editor's choice). **Present:** John Padgham (Chairman), Heather Tamplin, Tony Baillie, Martin Elliott, John Hammond and two members of the public.

Matters arising

Pegg Electrical had carried out a safety check for the **electricity supply box on The Green**. The mains connector under the manhole cover on The Green was showing signs of burning so would be replaced. The **Christmas tree lights** will be tested before they are switched on.

JH will cut back the overhanging **hedge that is hiding the 30 mph sign** in Chapel Lane. The **new junior goal post** had been delivered. The Clerk had written to the **Cricket Club** about their proposed presentation at the January meeting about their **proposals for a mobile changing room and practice net on The Green** – no reply yet. Nothing further had been heard from NNDC about the **siting of the Christmas tree** following the submission of the risk assessment. Comments on the planning application for the construction of a **biomass- fuelled energy facility at Stonepit Hill, Plum Lane, Gresham**, had been submitted.

A range of sports (softball, tennis, netball, football, badminton, tug of war and archery) will be open to teams entering the **North Norfolk Village Games** in 2011.

At this point the meeting was suspended to allow the member of the public then present to speak. Mr Dennis Bacon drew attention to a flickering street light in Margaret Lilly Way. As Victory Housing Trust are responsible for this light, Mr Bacon agreed to report it.

Police Community Support Officer's Report

Since the last meeting, one crime had been reported and there were eight calls to the police. The next **Mobile Police Station** will be near the Post Office on **Monday 24 January, 10.00 - 11.00**.

Norfolk County Council Consultations

The consultation document, "Norfolk's Big Conversation", had been circulated. The NCC had later suggested various activities that the Parish Council might wish to take over on either a paid or voluntary basis; the PC decided not to express interest in any of the suggested activities and to make no comments on the consultation document.

Grounds Maintenance 2011

The Clerk had received two quotations for cutting the Green but none from the Cricket Club. It was decided to award the contract for 2011 to Secret Gardens and Prestige Properties for **£1,016**, the same as for 2010. The Clerk was asked to obtain a quotation for extra scarifying/aerating.

Replacement of Play Areas

HT for **SP** reported that discussions have been taking place with Playdale Playgrounds Ltd, the Parish Council's preferred supplier, about the changes required to the

proposals for the play areas following the reduction in the amount of the grant originally awarded. **A grant of £27,500 will now be available**. As there is no revised plan yet available, **HT** described the changes that will be made to the proposal previously approved by the PC. Further consultation will take place once the revised plan is available. The PC endorsed the action already taken and the revisions made. Mr Baron Tremain has offered to remove the existing equipment free of charge. **HT** would check whether this could be done by 1st February when Playdale expect to begin work. **SP** will attend a further meeting with NCC on 9th December. The PC decided to authorise the sealing of the grant documentation with NCC and the contract with Playdale, and that these documents should be signed by **JP** and **SP**.

Reports by Parish Councillors on their Responsibilities

JH – **Footpaths** are now "rock solid".

TB – **Community Centre** – Improvements to the toilets are now unlikely to be completed by 3rd December.

ME – **Health and Safety** – His proposal to try to prevent vehicles parking on The Green by using some white plastic piping was accepted. The grit bins are empty - this has already been reported to NCC.

HT – **Recycling banks** have both been emptied.

JP – **Community Bus** – Two new drivers have been recruited and are receiving some training.

JP for **BM** – **Planning** – Local Development Framework - the Inspector's report is still awaited.

JP for **BM** – **History Society** – Drew attention to the Society's competition for a title for their new book.

JP for **BM** – Will be attending a meeting of the North Norfolk Community Partnership on 7th December.

Correspondence

Highways responsibility for the parish is now through their office in Pump Lane, Caister, where Mr Nigel Seago is the Area Manager. The Highway and Community Rangers will soon be visiting the parish and they ask for information about highways concerns. The deep pot hole on Watchoak Road will be drawn to their attention. The **PC's insurers** had sent some guidance on **clearance of snow and ice**.

Norfolk Rural Communities Council had given details of a **funding stream that will be available from the Big Lottery for community building projects**.

Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service had drawn attention to their **free Home Fire Risk checks**. (See page 10.) NCC had sent a supply of leaflets regarding their **Teleshopping Service**; these will be placed in the Community Centre. (See page 10.)

Citizens Advice North Norfolk have dealt with **56** enquiries from this parish during the last year: the PC decided to make a donation of £50.

Next meeting on **Wednesday, 12th January** (please note date) at **7.30** in the Community Centre.



THE NEXT **FARMERS MARKET** in aid of The Friends of Aldborough Primary School will be on **SUNDAY, 6 February, 10.00 - 1.00**, in Aldborough Community Centre.

There will be no market in January.

YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

The fireworks display, Christmas Bazaar and monthly Farmer's Market in the Community Centre are all organised by the (brilliant, lovely, marvellous) **Friends of Aldborough School**. Helping out at these events is enormous fun (no, really!). And we always need volunteers! To find out more call Mel Stanley (who is the Friends' secretary) on 01263 577704, call the school on 01263 761264 or drop your name into the office and someone will contact you.

The NEW SCHOOL How fortunate Aldborough children are to have such a wonderful new building! Full of light and space and every modern device you can think of (and a few that **you** probably didn't know existed!). Everyone is to be congratulated on the quality of the build and on having survived so long in temporary accommodation and on a building site. Not **just** surviving but achieving an outstanding report from Ofsted as well.

Congratulations above all to Mrs Casburn and the teaching staff.

RB

ALDBOROUGH WILDLIFE GROUP

On **Wednesday 19th January**, 7.30, in the Church Room, Christine Carlson will give a talk: Bird identification for beginners

At this meeting annual subscriptions will be due - **£8** please.

The funds raised will go towards the cost of hiring the Church Room and paying for speakers etc.

ALDBOROUGH VILLAGE HISTORY SOCIETY

The Society's next book will be concentrating on some of the older houses in both Aldborough and Thurgarton. and the really interesting people associated with each one as owners and inhabitants. This is where you come in! **WE NEED A TITLE** for our book. It can't be too long, as it has to fit on the cover. It obviously needs to reflect the content of the book, but otherwise the choice is yours!

Please submit your entries by New Year's Day to the Editor at Chesterfield House (01263 768063) or Keith Good at St Anne's Cottage (761580). There is a prize for the best entry; a **FREE** copy of the book, plus a very cuddly teddy bear! So get those creative thinking caps on.

Erpingham with Calthorpe Village Hall

Registered Charity no. 1009281

The **Village Hall Committee** meets next on **Wednesday 5th January at 7.30pm**. As always, this is an open meeting.

QUIZ NIGHT 60 quizzers assembled in the Village Hall for an enjoyable evening of quizzes and cakes. The winning team was YMCA (Yvonne, Mel, Christine, and Anthony – clever name!) so congratulations to them. Second prize went to "We're only here for the cakes!" and quite right too as Angela produced her usual array of delicious cakes at half time and our thanks must go to her. The evening raised £306 for the Village Hall.

HB

TABLE TOP SALE

Erpingham Village Hall
Saturday 22nd January, 1.00 – 3.00

Tables £5 (pre booked - £7 on the day)

VILLAGE HALL STALL

TOMBOLA

REFRESHMENTS

To book a table or
for contributions to the Tombola (in advance please) or Village Hall Stall
ring 01263 768209 or 01263 668704
(In aid of Erpingham with Calthorpe Village Hall)

200 Club Results

		<u>£10</u>		<u>£5</u>
1-11-10	168	C. Wilson	12	P. Crafton
11-10-10	23	J. Warne	72	T. Moore
15-11-10	186	P. Clarke	4	C. Payne
22-11-10	128	H. Alston	34	Dr. K. Harrison

ERPINGHAM with CALTHORPE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Wednesday 26th January, 7.30

Games Evening in the Village Hall,
with belated Secret Santa presents (max cost £1)



ERPINGHAM SCHOOL

See 'Messy Church' notice on page 2.

POPPY APPEAL

On behalf of the Royal British Legion we would like to thank everyone in Erpingham and Calthorpe for their donations. We collected £188.99 - thank you very much.

Dennis and Phia Perriss.

Erpingham Family Church at the Village Hall

Sunday, January 16th at 5:00 p.m., lasting roughly an hour, is the next informal time together. Bring the whole family and enjoy time to chat and to listen to some modern songs of praise and worship, coupled with a brief DVD, talk or discussion time.

The emphasis will be on informality and helping people to find out more about, or deepen, their Christian faith.



THWAITE COMMON TOAD PATROL

We need to be ready to help the toads on their migration this Spring. A meeting of volunteers to arrange the rota and learn from the results of the 2010 season will be held at **8pm on FRIDAY 21st JANUARY** at Paigles, The

Street Erpingham. If you wish to join in but cannot come to the meeting, please give me a ring on 768209. Thank you.

Stephen Burrell

INGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Items from the report of the December meeting (Editor's Choice)

Under **matters arising** the Clerk advised that Norfolk County Council had confirmed that the **drain works on Priory Lane** would be scheduled, and that the **grit bin** purchased by the Parish Council was now sited and filled, with thanks to Crawford White. The Clerk advised that during an 'open day' visit to NCC Aylsham depot he had learned that **Ingworth's highways needs** would in future be serviced from Caister depot. The Clerk had had a site meeting with the new Highways Engineer for the parish. On **footpath** matters the Clerk had written to a landowner following the last meeting and he would write as well to National Trust to seek their support. On the **Reading Room**, the Clerk had written to Mr Durham to thank him for preparing drawings. The Council considered the safety report (circulated to members) on the **children's play equipment**, and agreed that members would address the one 'urgent action' item and review the 'desirable action' items.

R Calvert agreed to be the Council representative at **Griffon meetings**.

Under **finance** the Council considered donations to local organisations, hearing that the **N Walsham CAB** recorded 20 enquiries from

Ingworth parishioners last year. Accordingly the Council decided to award them a grant of £25. The Council also awarded £50 to the **Ingworth Parochial Church Council**.

In his report the Clerk advised that the withdrawal of grass cutting monies by NNDC would not affect any verge cutting in Ingworth. He had submitted a response on behalf of the Council to NNDC on their **Housing strategy**. He had circulated a NCC consultation on **footway and footpath maintenance**. NNDC had advised that they would like hear of village events in 2011 where they might pursue their '**Responsible Dog Ownership**' campaign.

In members' reports the Council heard about **pot holes** on Cromer Road and Priory Lane; the Clerk would contact NCC. The **hedge on Banningham Road** by the playground was overhanging the road and the 'Cromer Road' sign at the junction with Priory lane had not been replaced; the Clerk would contact NNDC on both items. The Council heard of many instances of **speeding** in the village and that police speed checks had been undertaken. **A tree had fallen** into the Bure and 250 **bulbs** had been prepared for planting in the village at no cost to the Council.

AYLSHAM COUNTRYSIDERS CLUB

Aldborough Community Centre
7.00 - 8.30

THURSDAY 13th JANUARY '11

WoW

It's bring a pet and a friend
to join in the fun



Help! We Need Some Money!

Year 6 children at Aldborough School are fundraising for their end of year trip to the PGL activity camp in Lincolnshire, where they will get to try out a huge range of sports, crafts and recreations as well as doing some jolly hard work! It's all very exciting but it's also an expensive week and they need to raise at least £1500. Thanks to their hard fundraising work, they have already raised about 2/3rds of this. Here are some of the things that have been organised: Cake Stall (£63), Bring and Buy Stall (£72.42), Ladies Shopping Night (£266), Apple Sale (£31.54), Craft Stall (£161).

Please support their efforts!

WEA AYLSHAM BRANCH - SPRING TERM 2010

Friends' Meeting House, Pegg's Yard, Red Lion Street, Aylsham

WEDNESDAYS, 2.00 - 3.30 from 12th January

VENICE AND ITS BUILDINGS - Margaret Forrester

Whether you have visited Venice, are planning to go, or just want to learn more about this vibrant city, please come and join us. Anyone is welcome to attend. The cost for the course is £44, though you may be able to come for free if you receive various income-based benefits.

Further information from Ann Dyball 01263 732637.



'Balancing the Books'

at Holt Library

4th February 2011, 10 am to Noon

Come and find out more about how the Holt Area Community Bank and Norfolk Library Services can help you save money!



The Holt Area Community Bank is a branch of the Norfolk Credit Union Ltd. This is a financial cooperative owned by its members. If you want to save money regularly there are Savings Accounts and Lock In Accounts - instead of interest there is an annual dividend paid. Other accounts include a Young Saver account for those under 16 years old, and a Current Account facility with full services supported by the Cooperative Bank. Loans for small amounts are available (subject to approval), with low rates of interest.

Norfolk Libraries can help you save money on books, computer games, DVDs, magazines, computer subscriptions and free Internet access.



Holt Area Partnership (HAP) and Holt Citizen's Advice Bureau (CAB) work with Norfolk Credit Union to offer the Holt Area Community Bank facility. For more information on this event contact HAP on 01263 713456, or the CAB on 01263 713849 or call Norfolk Credit Union direct on 01508 533842 info@norfolkcu.co.uk – appointments can be held at Holt CAB.

Aldborough and Thurgarton are part of the Holt Area Partnership.

Residents of other parishes are unlikely to be turned away.



presents a concert at **St Michael's Church**
on **Thursday 20th January, 1.00 – 2.00.**

Alexander Porter piano Schubert, Brahms and Liszt.
entrance £7, children free, with refreshments available for £4 from 12.15.

FASTER SPEED FOR BROADBAND

Please support BT's Race for Infinity (You don't have to be a BT customer)

Vote for the updating of the Hanworth exchange.

Winning exchanges will be enabled by early 2012, subject to availability and survey.

Exchanges need 1,000 premises

in order to be eligible to be a winning exchanges.

One vote per address. **Race ends midnight 31st December 2010.**

Please visit www.bt.com/infinity to vote and to see what speed is provided on your line. If your line won't support our top speed, the best speed available will be offered.

**Don't just grumble about your broadband –
tell all your friends whose phone numbers begin with 01263.**

NORFOLK TEleshopping SERVICE

This is a grocery shopping service, delivered by Norfolk County Council using internet grocery stores: Tesco, Sainsbury's, Waitrose and ASDA. It's designed to help people in Norfolk stay independent in their own homes for longer.

How does it work? We call you to take your grocery list and preferred choice of store. We then, whilst speaking to you, order your groceries and arrange for them to be delivered at a time to suit you. **Payment** is made via credit or debit card. (Cash on delivery is a limited option, depending entirely on local store availability – the larger internet stores will only accept card payment.) **Help with unpacking** can be arranged with one of our volunteers. After the initial shop we call at a pre-arranged time to do the next shopping order.

How much does it cost? Membership is £10 per quarter. This can be paid annually if preferred (£40). There is a 'Rainy Day' package if you only need occasional help; this costs just £10 and entitles you to 6 shops, which can be taken at any time, with no expiry date. This service is ideal for unexpected emergencies, discharge from hospital or bad weather.

How do you join? Please contact our team on **01603 638435** or teleshopping@norfolk.gov.uk

Opportunity to join a winter learning course without leaving your own fireside:

KNOWING JESUS: On-Line Learning Got an internet connection? Interested in using long winter 'indoor' time to deepen your understanding of the Christian faith? The Diocese is now offering this as an e-Learning venture via the Connected Community Learning website. To join in, all you need is 2-3 hours a week over the eight-week period of the course, at any time of day or night and in as many bits and pieces as is convenient. You need to access a website PC, 'mouse around' and write short answers to interesting reflective questions - very basic stuff! The four topics will help you to see the bigger picture: Who is Jesus? What did Jesus teach? Why did Jesus die? The difference Jesus makes. An on-line tutor accompanies you on your learning journey. **And it's free!**

There's an optional Initial Gathering in Norwich on **Tuesday 11th January** if you want to meet fellow-learners. Please book - Caspar James 01603 729815
caspar.james@norwich.anglican.org

Revelation - The Last Judgement

Saturday 22 January 2011 9.30 - 5pm St Luke's Church 61 Aylsham Road Norwich NR3 2HF

Since it was written in the first century AD the Book of Revelation has been seen as one of the most controversial books in the entire Bible. Two opposing interpretations lie at the heart of **Dr Robert Beckford's** workshop, which includes his 60 minute documentary film for Channel 4. Is it a literal depiction of what will come at the end of time, when humanity will face the last judgement? Or is it an allegorical text in which John is calling on the burgeoning Christian church to stand true to their faith in the face of oppression from the Roman Empire?

Cost and booking: £35 full fee £20 concessions **Tickets required.** To apply for a place, - please contact Nick Vesey 01603 416973 nicholas.vesey@btopenworld.com

NORFOLK FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Free Home Fire Risk Checks are available on request to the more-at-risk groups, which include the elderly, the disabled and other vulnerable people. Arrangements for Fire Check visits should be made with Hayley Greener on Freephone 0800 9178137 extension 7277 or by e-mail at Home.Safety@norfolkfireservice.co.uk
