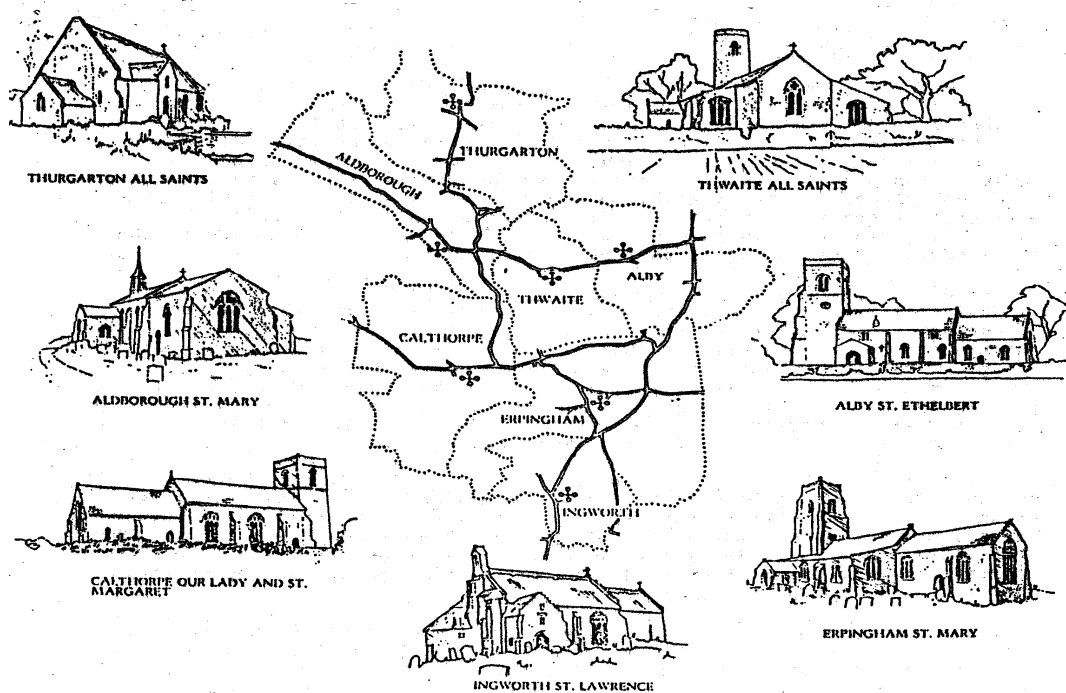


KEEPING IN TOUCH

JANUARY 2009

News from the Scarrowbeck Group of Parishes
Alby, Aldborough, Calthorpe, Erpingham, Ingworth, Thwaite, Thurgarton



CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Communion unless marked M=Matins E=Evensong

JANUARY	Epiphany 4th	Baptism Of Christ 11th	Epiphany 2 18th	Conversion of St Paul 25th
ALBY	☝ ☝	3.30 E	--	--
ALDBOROUGH	Group Eucharist 10.00	11.00	8.00	11.00 Family Service
CALTHORPE	☝ ☝	--	9.30	--
ERPINGHAM	☝ ☝	9.30	--	8.00
INGWORTH	☝ ☝	11.15 M	3.30 E	9.30
THWAITE	☝ ☝	9.30 M	11.15	6.30 E

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Wednesdays 9.15 at Ingworth
Thursdays 7.30pm at Calthorpe (8th HC, 15 th Benediction)
at Erpingham (22nd HC, 29th Benediction)
Friday 23rd 9.15 at Aldborough

Parish Priest: Fr Brian Faulkner, The Rectory, School Road, Erpingham
01263 768073 e-mail: brian-faulkner@lineone.net

WISHING ALL READERS A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR !

FROM THE RECTOR

January is a month I really dislike, with its long nights and bare trees and branches. However one flower, common during these wintry days, brings me much pleasure: the snowdrop, often hidden away under bush and bramble. In parts of our garden carpets of white flowers push through the ground ivy, waving in the wind, each flower so small and delicate, yet together a mass of beauty. When we feel small, either because of the pressures of life, or through our own misguided actions, let the spirit of God hold us high.



Father Brian



GROUP SERVICE for Epiphany

Sunday 4th January, 10.00, at Aldborough 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.

The following Group Service will be at 10.00 on 1st February (Candlemas) at Calthorpe

PLEASE NOTE NEW PATTERNS OF SERVICES - DON'T GET CAUGHT OUT!

Each **first** and **fifth Sunday** of the month there will be a **Group Service**, hosted in turn by our six parish churches. On all other Sundays there will be the usual mixture of services but spread over three weeks instead of four. Look at the front page!

CONTEMPLATIVE BIBLE STUDY

at the Rectory, School Road, Erpingham

Wednesdays, 14th - 21st - 28th January, 11am-12 noon

Led by the Rector

Come for just one session or for all, as you are able - no need to book a place.



PRAYERS FOR THE PARISHES

Week beginning Sunday

JANUARY

4	Aldborough: Doctor's Corner and Hall Road
11	Calthorpe: The Street and Wickmere Road
18	Alby: Church Road, Lane End and Middle Hill
25	Aldborough: Prince Andrew's Close and Thurgarton Road

18 -25 January is observed worldwide as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and 27 January is National Holocaust Memorial Day



JACKET POTATO PARTY

on **Thursday 8th January, 6.00 - 8.00, at The Rectory**

All young people who went to the Horstead Activity Centre last February, or who would like to go this time, are invited to get together over a jacket potato!

The **next HORSTEAD WEEKEND** - for **11 to 16 year olds** - will be **20th to 22nd February 2009**. If you haven't been before and would like to go, do please give Eleanor a ring to find out more (768073).

B U Z Z C L U B for 5 - 11 Year olds

MORE 'STREETWISE'

Whose house will we visit this time?

***** STORIES *** GAMES *** ACTIVITIES *****

Thursday 8 January 6 pm - 7.15 pm at Prince Andrew's Chapel

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OPEN MEETING

On Tuesday 27 January in the Church Room 2.30 - 4.00

Topic: Forgiveness and healing

Speaker: Revd Brian Faulkner

Even Saint Peter had some difficulties with the problem of forgiveness. Yet his boss, Jesus, would sometimes say: 'Your sins are forgiven,' and the person he spoke to was healed.

Come and find out more about the links between these two themes.

Come and also enjoy the friendship, fellowship and a 'cuppa'.

NEWS FROM THE CONGO?

Want to know some of the background story to what has been happening in DR Congo?

Come to Lunch at **St Peter's Sheringham** and meet and hear Louise Wright, who has recently retired from 20 years of full time work there with the Church Mission Society.

DATE: SATURDAY 10 JANUARY TIME: 12.30 - 2.30 pm

This is a free event organised by the CMS Support Group in Sheringham, but you will have an opportunity to donate to the emergency fund for Congo.

[Further details from Pauline Hill of Aldborough Tel: 768738. Lifts will be available]



How GREEN is our God?

13-15th March

Creation in our hands How can we respond?

****Green Project** **Green Activities** **Green Thinking****

Pick'n'Mix from the three strands to create your own programme

For Young People aged 11+ and Adults

Come to **The Horstead Centre** for the whole weekend, £30 for 11-18s/£40 Adult or just Saturday, £17 all ages

Booking form from 01603 266316 or www.norwich.anglican.org/calendar/e702

ALDBOROUGH GARDEN CLUB

All are welcome to the **AGM**, with refreshments,
on **Thursday 15th January**, at **7.30** in the Church Room



ALDBOROUGH & THURGARTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Meeting on **Wednesday 21 January** at **2.30** in the Church Room.

Speaker: Judith Wilson, a Chaplain in the Prison Service



ALDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Next meeting on **Wednesday 7th January at 7.30** in the Community Centre.

Items from the minutes of the November meeting (Editor's choice)

Matters Arising

Notices had been fixed to **recycling banks**, but bags of bottles are still being left beside the banks.

Land Registry. it was agreed to register title to the Village Green at a cost of £30.00.

Local sewerage problems. Anglian Water has replied that the problems are caused by surface water drainage systems being connected to the foul sewers which would operate efficiently at all times if surface water did not discharge into them.

A **rebate on sewerage rates** is available for individual householders if it can be proved that no surface water is being discharged to the public sewers. (Application forms from 08457145145 or www.anglianwater.co.uk -details on recent bills)

Vacancy on the Parish Council

Two applications for co-option had been received and circulated by e-mail. It was unanimously agreed to co-opt **Ms Sue Peters**, with immediate effect. Thanks were expressed to Mr Dennis Bacon for his interest.

Agreement with Aldborough Lions Football Club

This had been returned signed, with a cheque for £100 to cover the nominal charge made for the use of the Green for 2007/08 and 2008/09. The Council agreed to be responsible for the provision of warning signs for the approaches to the Green.

Police Community Support Officer's Report

3 crimes reported since the last meeting - arson, assault and burglary (not of a dwelling).

Planning –All members had been consulted about an application for a single storey side extension at Amarante, Chapel Road, Thurgarton. There were no objections,so the Clerk had responded in advance of the meeting in order to meet the deadline and to be able to make comments about the sewerage/drainage problems and the out-of-date layout plan used.

There are two situations where planning contraventions may have occurred - the persons concerned to be advised of the need to obtain planning permission.

Play Area Improvements – NNDC is to award a contract following the successful award of lottery funding for peripatetic drop-in play/activity sessions for young people - expected to begin after the February half-term holiday.

The Youth Club has been disbanded.

Footpaths –There is a broken sign and reports of horses on a footpath - to be reported to NCC.

Health and Safety –public concerns about the use of guy ropes for the Christmas Tree: councillors thought there were no reasonable alternatives.

District Council Report

The District Councils in Norfolk are all against the **proposals of the Boundary Committee**. The Parish Council indicated their support for a referendum.

A **Pest Control Service** has now been re-introduced at a subsidised cost .

Revised planning application for the proposed prison at Coltishall has been submitted.

The **site visit** proposed as part of the **Local Development Framework – Site Specific Proposals**, is now likely to take place in January.

Those who wish to be allocated affordable housing in Aylsham should be on Broadland District Council's housing waiting list as well as Noth Norfolk District Council's list.

Correspondence

Grass cutting costs will be increased by 6.5% to **£781.89** plus VAT.

A new four year contract for the **maintenance of street lighting**: the costs for the first year of £114.72 plus VAT show a 5% increase, and there will similar percentage rises each year.

NNDC have asked the Parish Council to relinquish its delegated **responsibility for street naming and numbering**, with an assurance about continuing consultation and involvement - agreed.

NCC Planning and Transportation Department, suggest that there is not a significant issue with **heavy goods vehicles using Dovehouse Lane**.

Grants were agreed for:-

Aldborough Parochial Church Council towards the

maintenance of the Churchyard - £425.00

Norfolk Accident Rescue Service - £100.00

North Walsham & District CAB - £75.00

Village Tidy-up Scheduled for **9th May 2009**.

Freedom of Information Act 2000 The Council decided to adopt the Model Publication Scheme without modification, with immediate effect. They also considered a draft of a list of information available under the adopted scheme and suggested various amendments. It was agreed that the scheme and list should be made *available on the Village website*.

Financial matters The Council agreed a precept for 2009/2010 of **£5,000**, an increase of £300.

Dates of future meetings **Wednesday, 7th January**, **Wednesday, 11th February**,

Monday, 2nd March, **Monday, 6th April**,

Monday, 20th April (Annual Parish Meeting)

Wednesday, 13th May (Annual Meeting of the Parish Council),

Monday, 1st June

The Aldborough Players are proud to present the 2009 Pantomime

Hansel and Gretel

at Aldborough Community Centre on:

Wednesday 4th, Thursday 5th, Friday 6th and Saturday 7th February.

Performances start at 7.30pm.

Tickets: £4 for Wednesday and Thursday, £5 for Friday,
and £6 for Saturday. Children up to 16, £2 for all performances.

(These prices are the same as last year, so they are a real bargain!!)

Tickets will be on sale at the Post Office and the Spar shop from
Saturday 10th January.

Come and enjoy the fun, the tension and a great night out.

Will the children get home safely? Will Gretel foil the wicked witch? Will the hero rescue the children
in the nick of time? Will the Olympic torch bearer ever get to the 2012 Olympics?

All the answers at the Aldborough Players Pantomime! Don't miss it!!

ALDBOROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

We're starting off the year with something new for the winter evenings **A GAMES NIGHT – Friday 16th January 7.30 onwards.** We hope to see lots of new faces. Please bring any games you enjoy playing, such as Scrabble, Monopoly, Cards, Backgammon, Chess. Draughts, Mah Jong etc. If you would like to learn something new, there is sure to be someone willing to give tuition - £2 to include refreshments.

On Saturday 21st February The Ugly Dog Band will be playing. Tickets £6 – available nearer the time from the Spar, Post Office or on the night. Make a note of the date now !

ALDBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIMARY CAPITAL PROJECT

This Autumn term has seen the start of what will be a year long building project for our school, starting possibly as early as April 2009. Thus far, there has been a community consultation and a pupil consultation. The pupils have been very clear about what they like and what they don't like about the current buildings



and grounds. They have also had some very good ideas about what they would like to see! This project will see the replacement of the mobile classrooms and a refurbishment of the older parts of the school with approximately £2.3 million to be spent.

We are very much hoping that the children will learn lots about building schools during this project as well as reap the benefits of it in 2010. Already they have seen surveyors working and a drill being used to take samples of soil from the proposed building site.

The community can access the school's virtual learning environment to read about the latest developments as they occur. Visit <http://na7.md.e2bn.net/myclasses> : this will take you to the learning platform. The user name is **community** and the password is **community**. Once you have logged in, click on **my classes** and then **Aldborough New Build**. To log out go to the top right hand part of the screen. It is our intention to add to the page each time there is a noteworthy development.

Tina Casburn, Head Teacher E mail: head@aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk

THE BLOODMOBILE will be on Aldborough Green again
on **Thursday 8th January 1.00 – 3.10 & 4.30 – 6.55.**

Appointments are essential as spaces are limited.

Please call 0845 7 711 711 .

Give blood here!

G.I.F.T.

We have already planned a full programme of events for 2009. The charities we shall be supporting are United Norwich/Norfolk Renal Dialysis and Aspergers Syndrome, together with The Grand Order of Water Rats. £1 Quiz Sheets are currently available, running until 11th February.9.

The total amount raised in 2008 was **£4,500**. **£2,100** went to The Grand Order of Water Rats: without their contribution we would not be able to hold the Annual Variety Show where all the acts give their services, or provide the Celebrity Dinner, the main raffle prizes, and support for local charities etc. **£1,600** has gone to **Aldborough Surgery** to purchase equipment for the benefit of patients, **£500** to **North Norfolk Radio Families First**, **£300** to Motor Neurone Disease.

ERPINGHAM VILLAGE HALL

200 Club Results

		<u>£10</u>		<u>£5</u>
6-10-08	141	J.Chapman	103	C.Brooks
13-10-08	186	P.Clarke	51	A.Payne
20-10-08	77	J.Postle	125	P.Walton
27-10-08	90	R.Wright	95	S. & T. Mollard

TABLE TOP SALE

Saturday 24th January

Erpingham Village Hall

2 to 4pm (setting up from 1pm)

TABLES £5 - PREBOOKED

(£7 on the day if available)

VILLAGE HALL STALL

TOMBOLA

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

To book a table or for contributions to the Tombola or Village Hall Stall

please ring 01263 761704 or 768209

(In aid of Erpingham with Calthorpe Village Hall)

ERPINGHAM with CALTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL - next meeting on **Wednesday 14th January**

THWAITE COMMON TOAD PATROL



There will be a meeting for all interested in taking part this year on **FRIDAY 23rd JANUARY** at **7.30pm** at Paigles, The Street, Erpingham.

Please let me know if you can come (by phone 01263 768209)

Please bring your 09 diaries.

This year, based on the results of the 08 migration and weather patterns, we hope to arrange a complete rota for the 6 week period, depending on weather conditions on the day.

(If you come by car and the drive is full please park at Erpingham Village Hall) H.B.



presents a lunchtime concert

in **St Michael's Church** at **1.00pm** on **Thursday 15th January**

£6, children free Refreshments available for £4 from 12.15

Ivan McCready, Cello Gina Beukes, Violin Helen Leek, Piano

Composers Haydn, Beethoven, Rachmaninov, etc



New Year, New Resolution

New Year's resolutions can be difficult to stick to but Norfolk Wildlife Trust has one you'll enjoy keeping all year: to spend more time in the countryside. The Trust's new wildlife calendar can help, with ideas for places to visit and wildlife to look out for. Start in January with a trip to Holkham to experience the sight and sound of thousands of pink-footed geese feeding in the fields. In February treat yourself to the spectacle of hunting barn owls, dozens of birds of prey and common cranes roosting at Stubb Mill near NWT Hickling Broad. March's outing could be to look for hares on your nearest farmland and with luck you may even see them living up to their name of mad March hares when females box with ardent males. Check out NWT's monthly guide at www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk/naturalconnections or contact their Wildlife Information Service on 01603 598333.



AYLSHAM HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY SPORTS HALL **FREE 20 minute Badminton Taster Sessions**

The badminton courts in the sports hall will be open from **1:40 until 4:20** (last session at 4:00) on **Saturday 14th February** and will be available for 20 minute taster sessions for anyone to come along and try the sport. If you would like a second 20 minute session and courts are available, you will be welcome to use them. No matter how old you are, 7 to 70, younger or older, all will be made welcome to have a go. No equipment needed, but if you wish to bring your own badminton racket then please do. Instructions and coaching by qualified coaches will be available if required. Just wear loose, comfortable clothing and bring a pair of light trainers to change into before entering the hall please. No outdoor footwear allowed in the hall.

WEA NORTH WALSHAM BRANCH

There are **two** series of lectures starting on **Tuesday 13th January at 10.00** at the Community Centre, New Road, North Walsham

19TH CENTURY COSTUME

Tutor: Jean Smith
 Why were braces so called?
 When and by whom was dry-cleaning discovered?
 What was a reticule?
 What was a skeleton suit?

ARTS of the ANGLO-SAXONS and CELTS

Tutor: Margaret Forrester
 Looking at jewellery, weapons, buildings, carving and manuscript illumination. Case studies will include the Sutton Hoo treasure, the Lindisfarne Gospels and the Book of Kells

Fees for 10 weeks: £43 (Free to UB40 holders) Discretionary grants available
 Contact 01692 406690 or 01692 405651

WEA AYLSHAM BRANCH

THOMAS PAINE AND THE HORIZONS OF DEMOCRACY

Chad Goodwin

Wednesday 7th January 2009 2 - 3.30 pm

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

10 week course for £43 Further information from Ann Dyball, secretary 01263 732637

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