

**The Grapevine January 2015
News for the parishes of the
Carlford Benefice**

“Happy New Year!”

A very Happy New Year to you and our love and prayers for all that 2015 will bring.

No doubt all the Christmas presents have now been unwrapped and the thank you letters written.

The Sundays in Jan remind us that giving is not just a Christmas phenomena, but for God is a daily outpouring of his love to us and the challenge for us to respond with all that we have, in service to God and one another.

I always find myself moved by the words often used when receiving the Offertory- “all things come from you O Lord and of your own do we give you”. It is a good thing to take stock at the beginning of a year and give thanks for all that God has given us and think about how we offer that back to God.

Our Gospel stories for the year will begin with the story of the Magi and the offering of gold, frankincense and myrrh – reminding us that our giving is reflected through our bank balance and wallet,(gold) as it is through our service to others (frankincense)and our giving of time and devotion to prayer and study(myrrh).

During the month we will through our preaching be reflecting on gifts and giving as a theme – as we prepare our sermons, can I invite you to prepare by reflecting on your favourite biblical stories about money and what those stories are saying to you at the beginning of 2015.

Clare Sanders



FANCY A COFFEE?

We have opportunities, throughout December, at

Grundisburgh –Saturday 3rd at 10.30am-12 noon and Wednesday 7th 10.15am – 11.30am at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Ashbocking –Friday 2nd at the home of Bernard & Brenda Mitchell's at Ashbocking Hall Farm, Church Lane, Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

Otley –Thursday 22nd at the home of, Peter and Rose Rogerson of Church House, Church Road, Otley 10.00am – 12 noon

Clopton –Wednesday 21st at the Village Hall 10.00am – 12 noon

“He who sings prays twice” St Augustine

If you enjoy singing and making music – please consider joining **Grundisburgh Church Choir** they are on the search for new members male and female- rehearsals on a Sunday morning at 10.00am each week – followed by the 11.00am service.

Details from

John Cooper [01473 254132](tel:01473254132)



LADIES UNLIMITED



Ladies Unlimited will be arranging a Wolsey Theatre trip to see All My Sons by Arthur Miller on Thursday 19th February 2015 at 7.45pm. The cost is £15.

If you would like to join us please sign a list at the back of St Mary's Grundisburgh by 19th December.

As a Ministry Team we share the responsibility for pastoral care.

First point of contact is:

Ashbocking –Catherine Beaumont- 01473 890264

Burgh, Boulge & Grundisburgh–Clare Sanders 01473 735183

Clopton, Otley & Swilland –Jane Hall 01473 785251

Hasketon –Wendy Gourlay 01728 685335



FROM THE RECTOR!

A very BIG Thank you to everyone who supports the work of our churches across our 8 villages- so many people give willingly of their time, energy and talents, as well as supporting financially the work of the Church's ministry and the upkeep of our church buildings.

THANK YOU!

Services across the Carlford Benefice

January 4th - Epiphany - Is 60:1-6 or Eph3:1-12 and Mt 2:1-12

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Family Service	Hasketon	WG
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	CB
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	JamesH
11.00am	Family Service	Grundisburgh	WG
11.00am	Family Service	Otley	CS

January 11th - Baptism of Christ - Gen1:1-6 or Acts 19:1-7 and

Mark 1:4-11

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion-Thamaniya	Clopton	WG
9.30am	Par Euch	Hasketon	JW
11.00am	Gift Sunday	Ashbocking	CB
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Boulge	Lay Led
11.00am	Par Euch	Grundisburgh	WG

January 18th - Epiphany 2 - 1 Sam 3:1-10 or Rev 5:1-10 and John 1:43-51 Ps 139:1-5,12-18

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	JW
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Burgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Hasketon	Lay Led
9.30am	Holy Communion	Otley	JaneH
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	CS
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Grundisburgh	BH
11.00am	Family Service	Swilland	JaneH

January 25th - Epiphany 3 - Acts 9:1-22 and Matt 19: 27-end Ps 67

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Burgh	RP
9.30am	Family Communion	Hasketon	CS
11.00am	Family Service	Clopton	JaneH
11.00am	Family Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
4.30pm	Evening Prayers-16 Spring Park	Otley	CS

Key – CS – Clare Sanders, CB – Catherine Beaumont, WG – Wendy Gourlay, FW – Fred Woods, JW – John Waine, BH – Bill Herbert, MS – Mark Sanders, JaneH (Jane Hall), JamesH (James Hall), RP – (Richard Pepper) RF – (Robert Fletcher) JaneW (Jane Woods)

Other Services in January

January 5 th & 19 th	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am
January 7 th	Holy Communion BCP	Grundisburgh	9.30am

What's On across the Carlford Benefice **January:-**

2nd Ashbocking Coffee Morning 10.30am – 11.30am All welcome.
- See details elsewhere

3rd Grundisburgh Coffee Morning 10.30am – 12 noon, - See details elsewhere

7th SWAPSHOP 10.15am – 11.30am - See details elsewhere

8th Tiddlywinks Toddler Group – in Grundisburgh Church 2.30pm

9th 2nd Friday Meeting 7.15pm – See details elsewhere

12th Monday House Group 7.30pm – See details elsewhere

12th Exploring Confirmation Group 7.30pm – 9.30pm – See details elsewhere

21st Clopton Coffee Morning 10.00am – 12 noon See details elsewhere

22nd Tiddlywinks Toddler Group – in Grundisburgh Church 2.30pm

22nd Otley Coffee Morning 10.00am – 12 noon - see details elsewhere

22nd Hasketon Community Lunch 12.15pm – See details elsewhere

26th Exploring Confirmation Group 7.30pm – 9.30pm – See details elsewhere

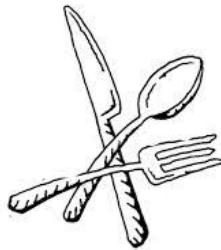
29th Community Lunch Club at Hasketon 12.15pm – See details elsewhere

HASKETON COMMUNITY LUNCH

This takes place on the
4th Thursday each month,
12.15pm at **Hasketon Victory Hall**.

For £6 you will enjoy a hot 2-course meal
plus coffee and the opportunity to meet up
with local residents from Hasketon and surrounding villages.

If you are interested in coming along, please book your place by
the Monday before with
Claire Harrington Tel 01394 380644



BURGH POP UP LIBRARY

We now have a pop-up
library in
the old red telephone box on
Burgh's village green.

Donations of books for all
tastes and ages welcome.
Anyone can borrow books –
all we ask is that they are
returned so that others can
enjoy them.



Burgh Food Bank Collection Point

There is now a box for
FoodBank donations at the
gateway of Larkhayes,
in the centre of the village.

Thank you for your support for
the work of FIND- it is much
appreciated.





Fairtrade Stalls In Grundisburgh

1st Sat Coffee Morning 10.30 Parish Room

1st & 2nd Sunday at 12.00 in St. Mary's

Chocolate Cleaning Materials Grocery

Greetings Cards Socks Gifts

Catalogues in St. Mary's

For info contact Pat Fletcher 01473 735 775

Thank you for supporting Fairtrade

Grundisburgh Parish Rooms



Swap Shop 7th January 10.15am – 11.30am

Over a drink of tea or coffee an opportunity to swap stories, news, toys, veg, fruit, flowers, books, recipes, cakes etc

A message from the Archbishop of Canterbury for 2015

As part of CRIBFEST - Serena - a pupil at Grundisburgh Primary School wrote to the Archbishop of Canterbury and asked him what his message was for 2015. He replied

Live like Jesus! Be kind like Jesus. Forgive like Jesus. Love like Jesus, Trust like Jesus. Pray like Jesus. Welcome people like Jesus. Be interested in people like Jesus.

When each of us live like Jesus we become more the people we were made to be and the world becomes the place it could be.

But we can't do that in our own strength. But God gives us the Spirit of Jesus so it is possible. So at the beginning of the year pray that he would give you the Spirit of Jesus to change you and the world.

Monday House Group

We shall meet at 7.30pm and consider the significance of:-

12th January - The Mary's

9th February – Deborah

9th March – Priscilla

New members would be most welcome, so come along.

Contact Robert Fletcher **01473 735 775**

Exploring Confirmation Group

There will be an Exploring Confirmation group for all who may be interested led by the Rev'd Catherine Beaumont, starting in January. Everyone is welcome.

We are being hosted by John and Linda Pollard, at Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking.

The dates of the evenings are: all Mondays, January 12 and 26, February 9 and 23, March 9 and 23, April 13 and 27 and they run from 7.30 to 9.30pm.

The confirmation will be in late May.

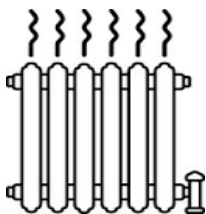
Please call Catherine with any questions on 07801 342336 or email her on Catherine.beaumont@otleyhall.co.uk

WINTER WARMERS

During January, February and March

9.30am Communion services at Clopton will be held in Doris' home at Thamaniya, Shop Road, Clopton

Evening Prayers in Otley will be brought forward to 4.30pm and held at the home of Karin Upson on January 25th



2ND FRIDAYS AT HASKETON VICTORY HALL IN 2015

You are very welcome to join us on the second Friday of most months for Ploughman's Supper followed by a talk, or some other entertainment.

We start at 7.15pm and entrance is £5 each.

Please let **Katherine Smith – 01473 735579** know by the previous Wednesday if you wish to come, but pay on the door.

9th January - A talk by Nicola Corbett – EDF Energy will keep us updated with the sizewell C project

From the Editor

The cut off date for material to be included is the 8th of the month and material should be sent to Clare at revclaresanders@tiscali.co.uk and Amy at bakergirl174@gmail.com please.