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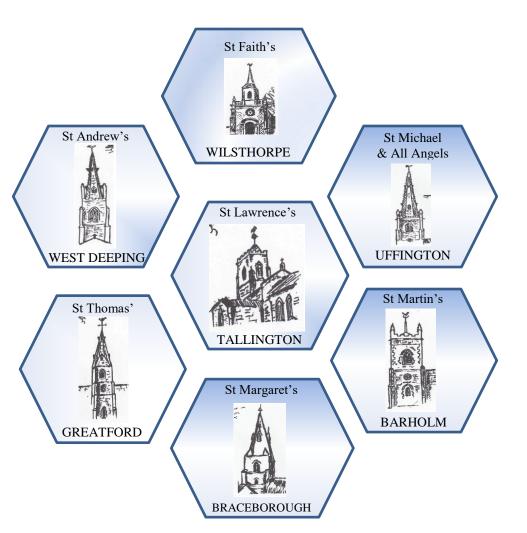
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## TALLINGTON

**Church Flowers** 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August – Mrs S Taylor 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> August – Mrs R Brown

**200 Club Winners in June:** Patrick Allen 1<sup>st</sup> Prize and Mr and Mrs Neale 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, also announced via Facebook video post (showing the draw), please follow our page 'Tallington Village Hall'.

**Regular Events at the Village Hall** may be disrupted due to maintenance work ongoing at the hall during August – please check with class instructors directly: **Post Office:** Every Tuesday 2 – 4pm. **Yoga:** Every Thursday 7 – 8pm. Please contact Helen on 07706511925 or at hhyogaandfitness@gmail.com. **'Move it or Lose it':** Senior fitness group every Wednesday 1pm -1.45pm. All exercises can be done seated or standing. £5 per class (first class free), booking not necessary but please contact Amanda for details 07535 788756, amanda@smart-FITT.fitness

**31<sup>st</sup> August:** We'll be having a grand re-opening party at the Village Hall, invites to follow.

From September we'll be having some new regular events, coffee mornings and opportunities for the community to use the hall. If you have any suggestions or groups you'd like to run please let us know!

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**Village Hall Committee Contact Details:** tallingtonvillagehall@gmail.com. Tel 07939986817 or via Facebook messenger (Tallington Village Hall) - we try to return emails and calls within 24 hours – but we are not a business, please be patient, we are a small group of volunteers managing the Hall and park around our busy full-time jobs and families!

**Flying the Flag:** The Union Jack Flag was flown on Armed Forces Day. Please remember you can fly either of our flags to celebrate any occasion for just £5. Just ring John and Liz on 740076 and they will arrange which flag and your chosen date with you.

**Tallington Continued Elsewhere:** 

#### **Tallington Continued:**

**Mobile Library Service:** The Mobile Library service will be in Church Lane on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August between 11.15 and 11.45 am.

**The Post Office** is open in the Village Hall every Tuesday afternoon between 2.00 and 4.00 pm offering many services. Please use this Post Office so that we don't lose it.

**The Parish Council:** The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7.30 pm. Please remember that everyone is most welcome at any Parish Council meeting

**Flying the Flag.** The Union Flag was flown on 23<sup>rd</sup> July to celebrate the 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday of Marcus Isaacs. Congratulations and much love from your family Louise, Andy, Imogen, Will and Georgie.

**Carpet Bowls Club.** The group meets on Thursday evenings in the Village Hall. See centre pages. Chairperson: June Thomas 01778 343434.



#### WEST DEEPING

**St Andrews Church. All Age Service** Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 11am followed by light refreshments. Please note that all Sunday morning services now start at 11am. **There will be no service at West Deeping on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July and 25<sup>th</sup> August**. If you are able to support the church in any way, please talk to Colin Blagrove on 07946 004893. Rotas for coffee mornings in WDVH and flowers in the church are on the church noticeboard.

**Coffee morning Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> August** 10.30am-12noon at the home of Susanna and Ian Aldred, Cromwell House. All proceeds to the installation of the toilet/servery in St Andrew's Church. Refreshments, cake stall, children's activities, raffle. WDVH in aid of St Andrew's Church. Come and talk to your friends.

**Bible Studies.** After a summer break in August these start again in September. Contact: Susanna Aldred on 01778 380014.

**Parish Council Event.** Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>July, Henry Tinsley Field 2-4pm. A family-friendly village gathering to celebrate the Centenary of West Deeping Parish Council, which first met in July 1919. Info from Melanie James, 01778 380197 or Maggie Ashcroft 01778 344768.

**West Deeping Heritage Group.** Join West Deeping Heritage Group for a summer outing on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Meet at 2pm outside the church or in the church porch if wet. A guided tour of St Pega's Church, including the medieval wall paintings, followed by a home-made tea, a tour of the historic village and finishing with the latest excavation of a test pit by the Peakirk Archaeological Survey Team (PAST). Church tour and refreshments: £6. Village tour and archaeology: Voluntary donation towards Church roof Replacement Appeal. Parking alongside the village green or at the Village Hall, St Pega's Road, opposite the Ruddy Duck Public House. Please email wdheritage@hotmail.co.uk or phone 01778 344768 to book your place by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Talks planned for the autumn include The History of Bulb-growing in East Anglia by Johnny Walker and the History of English Clocks by Iain Stowe. https://wdheritage.wordpress.com or contact Maggie Ashcroft 01778 344768

**WD Walkers.** Sundays. 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> August are local walks. 28<sup>th th</sup> July has been cancelled. Meet at the Village Hall at 2.00pm All are welcome. For details contact: Annie Newbigging: 01778 346805, annie.new@me.com

**Rambling Readers** (Book Club) meet on the last Friday of the month in WDVH. A new book each month is supplied by Lincolnshire Libraries. We are also sharing copies of the 2018 Man Booker Prize short list. Please talk to Elizabeth on 01778 344674

**Nature Notes:** In the Henry Tinsley Field cowslips and cow parsley were followed by pretty blue meadow cranesbills, meadow vetchling, and small scabious in July.

WDeeping continued elsewhere:

#### WDeeping Continued:

#### West Deeping Village Hall. Regular classes are:

**Step Clog**. Fortnightly on Mondays 8-9.30pm. Contact: Laura, 01733 267129, email laura.clogteacher@gmail.com

**Tiger Tots Messy Play.** Fridays, 9.30am-11.30am. For babies and toddlers aged 6 months-5years. £7 per child, £5 per sibling. For queries and to book, call Ali on 07949 689179 or visit tigertotsmessyplay@btinternet.com

New **Yoga Classes.** Helen Hobling is offering a gentle yoga class suitable for beginners, men and women, starting on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 10am-11am. She is also offering a new Yin Yoga class on a Monday 630pm - 730pm from Sept 9. Suitable for beginners. For further details about Yin yoga and Gentle Morning Yoga please call Helen on 07706511925 or email hhyogaandfitness@gmail.com Reservations required ASAP and prior to the first sessions to determine numbers attending.

The booking clerk is Mrs. Annie Newbigging, 43 King St. Tel. 01778 346805. Email. annie.new@me.com

#### SOMES TRUST STUDENT BURSARY SCHEME 2019

One of the main purposes of the Somes Trust is to promote the education of young people who are either resident in Uffington or who have attended Uffington School. The Trustees are concerned that, with grants being replaced by loans and contributions being required for tuition fees, life has become much tougher for students embarking on higher education. The Trustees want to help ensure that the young people of Uffington get as much as possible from their higher education and have therefore decided to again run a Bursary Scheme for young people under the age of 23 embarking on higher education for the first time. The Bursaries will be discretionary one-off payments and are intended to help cover some of the initial costs of further education such as textbooks, equipment and deposits on accommodation. The size of these awards will depend on the number of successful applicants and the merits of the individual cases, but will not be less than £100. Applications are invited from people under the age of 23 who are entering higher education for the first time in 2019. To be eligible you must either be resident in the Parish of Uffington, or must have attended Uffington C of E Controlled Primary School. If you want to apply please write to:- The Trustees of the Somes Trust, c/o The Homestead, Greatford Road, Uffington. In your application please state which course you will be doing, which educational establishment you will be attending and what date you start. Please also say if your course is full or part time and whether or not you will be living away from home. The Trustees will need to have details of why the money is needed and what you intend to spend it on.

Applications must be received before September 1st 2019. Successful candidates will be notified before  $1^{st}$  October 2019.

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#### GREATFORD

Church Flowers: Scilla Campbell

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**Church Services** at Greatford this month are: 6<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 7pm Said communion "Transfiguration of our Lord": 11<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion 9am. 25<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion 9am. **Please join us at these services, you will be very welcome**.

**Advance notice**. The **Harvest Festival** service will be at 11am on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September in the Church, followed by lunch at the Village Hall at 12.30 and everyone is welcome. Invitations and cost details will be delivered later in August.

Getting to know our Neighbours: On Friday August 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6 to 8pm. Please come and join us, especially if you are new to the village. Nibbles will be provided but please bring your own liquid refreshment. It is a village event and ALL ages are welcome.

**Carlby & District WI:** The last meeting was a joint one with Witham-on-the Hill on Tuesday July 2<sup>nd</sup> and featured a fascinating and educational talk entitled 'Peterborough to St.Petersburg with two young children' by Ashley Baxter .The next meeting is at Carlby Village Hall at 7.30 P.M on August 13<sup>th</sup> and the talk is by Sue Hix and the subject 'Ancient Traditions-new beginnings, Summer ferment'. All are welcome – contact the Secretary Cheryl on 07962 170473

**Mobile Library.** The mobile library will be at Greatford on Mondays August 5<sup>th</sup> and September 2<sup>nd</sup>, and stops opposite the Phone Box in Main Street between 12.00 and 12.30.

**Bellringing.** No Practice in August. Contact Lois on: 01778 560437. Email lois.m.webb1@gmail.com if you want to find out more about ringing or just come along to a practice night.

**Parish Council.** At the PC Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> July, Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2018-19 and Section 2 Accounting Statements 2018-19 of the Audit were agreed and signed off to put on the website. The next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October in the village hall at 7.30pm - all welcome. If you have any issues, or would like to receive emails of village news/events etc. contact the clerk on: GreatfordPC@gmail.com and let her have your email address.

**Village Picnic.** This social event on the 14th Julv was enioved by all those who came. There were some delicious cakes to eat (and purchase) on the day, and in the process an amount of £145 for village hall funds was raised. Maggie's imaginative treasure hunt provided a lot of fun. The winners of the treasure hunt were Sam Taylor with sons Ewan and baby Sebastian, and the winner of the ladvbird challenge were the Jackson children: Leo 8, Evie 6 and 19 months old Frankie. Thanks to all the ladies who worked hard to make this event a success, and to those who generously supported it.

**Flying the Flag**. Mark any special event by having the Union Flag or St George's Flag flown at the Village Hall (for a contribution to V.H Funds)or outside the Church (for Church Funds). Please contact Cyril Webb on 560437

Village Hall. If you would like further information about the hall or to check availability and to book the hall simply contact us via our new email address: greatfordvillagehall@outlook.com



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#### ABRIDGED MINUTES OF THE UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019

Pot-holes - many have been filled. Casewick Lane is on the schedule.

**Speedwatch scheme outlined.** Three people at a time would be needed to operate the radar gun, clicker and keep notes. Councillors agreed to gauge the support for this before committing financially. Please contact Parish Clerk or Sarah Woolf if interested.

Parish Council Vacancy. Sarah Woolf was co-opted on to the Council.

**Parking.** Concerns have been raised about parking around the junctions and bends near the school and parking on pavements in the village. PCSO's have been patrolling and will continue to monitor this.

**Bird wire at play area** requested along the top of the swings as swing seats are becoming very messy. Agreed by councillors.

**Allotments** - further correspondence re: bonfires received and discussed. Councillors consider that they have dealt with all of the concerns arising in the correct manner. This matter is now closed.

**Planning** councillors had no objections to the reduction of the size of trees at The Barn, Casewick Park

**Dog fouling** has become a problem in the village. Dog owners are reminded to pick up after their dog.

**Convex mirror at the mini roundabout**. Councillors agreed to buy a mirror. A licence will be needed if sited on verge.

Drains in Casewick Lane are not working as they should. Reported by Clerk. **Next meeting Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August 19:30 at the Village Hall – all welcome** For more information please go to: http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Uffington/ Lorraine Thurston, Clerk to the council

> WELLAND MOTHERS' UNION No meeting in August.

The Cluster Coffee Morning: 9th August at Bourne Abbey Church Hall

For details please contact Elizabeth 01778 344674 or Anne 01780 740151



#### WILSTHORPE

The Holy Communion service will be at 11am on Sunday 4th August. Please do come along and join us, you will be made most welcome and refreshments will be served after the service.

At the time of submitting the write up we are hoping for fine weather for Sunday 21st July, for the Wilthorpe Pimms & Plants afternoon at Willowcroft, A report will be in the September issue of Towers & Spires.

For news, events and contacts for Braceborough & Wilsthorpe Village Hall, please see the Braceborough write up in the Towers & Spires.

Paperback books for sale! This is proving very popular with villagers and visitors alike. There are lots of books for sale in St Faith's Church, 50p each or 3 for a  $\pounds 1$  – a bargain! The selection is frequently refreshed.

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#### **Uffington Flower Festival**

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Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August,

## 3-5pm.

Huge thank yous to all of the people from all across the parishes who worked so hard to make the flower festival such a great success. Church looked beautiful both inside and out and many people enjoyed the stunning flower displays and the chance to sit with a cup of tea and a piece of cake.

The proceeds will be split between CLIC Sargent and funding the upkeep of Uffington Church.

To celebrate the success of the event and to show our thanks for the huge amount of work that people put in, we would like to invite you to an **'Open House' at church from 3pm–5pm on Sunday 4**<sup>th</sup> **August** at which we will serve tea and cake to anyone who would like to come along. Everyone is welcome!

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#### **BRACEBOROUGH & WILSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

Members of the Parish Council met at St Faiths Church in July. Cllr Morriss was thanked for tidying up the bench at Braceborough, thanks also to the person who cut back the hedge in front of the noticeboard at the same village.

Cllr Kentish reported that he was in contact with the Wildlife Trust in regards to bird boxes, it was also suggested that the Council look into purchasing a spy camera to place inside the next box.

The Council is still perusing the idea of obtaining bird nesting boxes within the parish. Cllrs have been advised that Barn Owls usually prefer more isolated areas such as a farm building, churches or remote properties. It has now been suggested that the parish look at encouraging Blue Tits and possibly Swifts but they are more difficult to attract. If you are still interested please contact the Clerk or Councillor giving your preference before the next meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> September at St Faiths Church, Wilsthorpe.

The village verges had been cut twice by a local contractor. The Councils consultation on reducing SKDC street lights was unanimous in turning them off from midnight until 6am. It was agreed to discuss this item further at the September meeting.

The following planning applications were approved by the District:- Erection of a two-story extension at Waterworks Cottage, to alter size of a window at Oakley House both at Manthorpe, conversion of existing storage building to dwelling at Quincey's Lane, Braceborough.

A flooding issue was reported near the river bridge at Braceborough, the culvert at Wilsthorpe had been made safer and the clerk reported that both the District Councillor and County Councillor had been assisting Braceborough PCC in looking for funding to help pay for replacement of the stolen lead with an alternative material.

> For more information on the Parish Council please go to http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/BraceboroughandWilsthorpe Rosemary Trollope-Bellew, Clerk to the Council

#### **RAF BENEVOLENT FUND**

#### Dear Parish Clerk,

By way of introduction I am the Welfare Projects Manager for the <u>Royal Air Force</u> <u>Benevolent Fund</u>. Given Lincolnshire's proud and historic links to the Royal Air Force you may well have heard of us as the leading welfare charity for those serving and those who have served in the RAF, as well as their families. We provide a range of support from financial assistance, independent living help to emotional and mental wellbeing support. In addition, we recently launched a new Community Connector service to tackle social isolation and loneliness amongst the RAF family across Lincolnshire -<u>https://www.rafbf.org/news-and-blogs/raf-benevolent-fund-launches-new-communityscheme-help-isolated-raf-veterans</u>

We estimate that there are approx. 50k veterans in Lincolnshire, a significant number of which will have an RAF connection. Our World War Two and National Service generation are a shrinking demographic and by 2030 we have lost 400,000 of them. It is vital therefore that we reach these individuals now and make them aware of the welfare support available to them. It is for this reason that Fund is about to launch a <u>major reaching out campaign</u> to raise awareness. We know that too often pride and self-reliance holds veterans back from seeking the support available. We are therefore reaching out to their families and friends - we estimate that 1 in 3 people in Lincolnshire has known someone who has served or is serving in the Royal Air Force – to get these veterans back on our radar.

It is with this urgent need to reach out and raise awareness that I am contacting and visiting Town, Parish and Borough Councils across Lincolnshire. As the most connected into your local communities, I am hoping that you may be able to play a role in getting these individuals – many of whom will be living in your community - back on our radar. This needn't be a significant effort; a poster on the parish noticeboard (*example attached*, *happy to send copies in the post*) an article in your parish newsletter (*press release attached*) or a link on your parish council website would be gratefully appreciated. Indeed, if any of your councillors are aware of any RAF veterans who may benefit from our support please ask them to call 0300 102 1919 or direct them to our campaign website at: <u>www.rafbf.org</u>. I would be happy to talk about this further and if you have any guestions please do not hesitate to contact me at this email address or on 020 7307 3356.

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UFFINGTON Church Flowers Aug 4<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> – Sue Webster Aug 18<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> - Free

DISTRICT & COUNTY REPORTS

#### Dear Residents

The County Council along with other authorities have been dealing with the flooding at Wainfleet. A new building at Lincoln has been built to house the Fire Brigade, Ambulance and Police and is proving successful. Lincolnshire Children's Services received an Outstanding Ofsted report after the last inspection which is gratifying to know that youngsters in this county are safe and well looked after by the Council. Cllrs Dobson & Trollope-Bellew were given a tour of the Deepings Fire Station and watched a training session taking place.

Both County & District Councillors are involved in trying to find a solution to the problems at Langtoft Crossroads & gritting along King Street. Highways safety is another concern associated with the BP Filling Station proposed at the Market Deeping roundabout on the A15/A1175.

If you would like to meet one of your local Councillors: Rosemary & Barry hold a surgery at The Deepings Library between 10am-noon on the first Saturday of the month apart from August and January.

If you have any concerns relating to the Dole Wood Ward (Braceborough & Wilsthorpe) please contact Barry Dobson, 01778 426649 or email b.dobson@southkesteven.gov.uk

For concerns relating to Casewick Ward please contact:

Kelham Cooke - 07940 187426 - email k.cooke@southkesteven.gov.uk or Rosemary Trollope-Bellew - 01778 560634 email- cllrr.trollopebellew@southkesteven.gov.uk (District) or

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Flying the Flag. Either the Union Jack or St George's was flown as follows:

Date	Event or Message	Sponsor(s)
16 <sup>th</sup> July	In memory of our Jon boy	
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Best wishes to all our leavers	Uffington Primary School
28 <sup>th</sup> July	For Rusty – still so loved and sorely missed.	

Mark your special date by sponsoring either the Union Jack or St George's flag, and make a £5 donation to Church funds. Contact David & Gail Genever or Graham Creedy (481084).

**News from Uffington Village Hall.** The UVH committee would like to congratulate the creative minds and the manual labourers for organising the recent Flower Festival - what a wonderful achievement and a true celebration of village life.

Flower Festival VIP guest Bunny Guinness drew the winning numbers of the Bumper June 175 Club as follows: Kieran Mulvaney £50, 117;Jas M Grory £25, 25; Becca Ford £10,140; Pat Lennon 80 £5; John Burcham 30, £5.On 14 July at Uffington Cricket Club Adrian Morrell drew these winning numbers:Pete Hickman £20, 57; Gillian Johns £10,54; Anita Hassall £5,176;and lucky John Burcham £5,59. The next draw will be on 10 August.

Thanks to generous donations of money, time, energy, expertise and equipment the gardens at Uffington Village Hall have been re-designed and replanted. They are a credit to the village. Thank you so very much to every single person who helped the committee create this beautiful space. Please come to the official opening of these lovely gardens on Saturday 10 August 3pm - 5pm and enjoy an afternoon tea with Pimms. Please let Nick Kimberley know if you are coming so enough refreshments can be made: 07527 134303 or Email : nick.kimberley72@gmail.com. All invited - donations welcome.

Tiger Tots Messy Play is coming to Uffington Village Hall from Wednesday 4th September 1pm - 3pm- all the messy fun without the cleaning up- with a warm bubble bath for the children at the end. Places cost £7 per child /£5 sibling. Book with Alice Prior on 07949689179 or E:tigertotsmessyplay@btinternet.com

The Garden Produce Show is Sunday 8 September- posters are now up.

Please see Vanessa Kimberley 01780 239463 or Facebook Page Uffington Village Lincolnshire or Uffington.org for details on all classes and hall bookings.

Other events in Uffington

Friday 2nd August - Walk the Luffenhams - Active magazine (approx 4 miles). A walk between the villages of North Luffenham, South Luffenham and Pilton.Parking tbc.9.55am for 10am. Contact and weather check: Janet Warburton 01778 560620. Sheila Archer 01780 763825 E:sheilandkeith@hotmail.com

The Bertie Arms charity pub quiz Wednesday 21 August 8pm. Book a team on 766400. Mobile Library Monday August 5th at 10.30 Casewick Lane Parish Council meeting 8pm at UVH on Thursday 1st August.

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#### **READINGS FOR AUGUST**

	Psalm	от	NT	Gospel
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> August 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	49:1-12 (or 49:1-9)	Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14 2:18-23	Colossians 3:1-11	Luke 12:13-21
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> August 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	33:12-22	Genesis 15:1-6	Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16	Luke 12:32-40
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August 9 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	82	Jeremiah 23:23-29	Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2	Luke 12:49-56
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	103:1-8	lsaiah 58:9b - 14	Hebrews: 12:18-29	Luke 13:10-17
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	112	Ecclesiastes 10:12-18 Or Proverbs 25:6-7	Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16	Luke 14:1,7-14

In all services the Old Testament, New Testament and Gospel readings will be read.

The colour in church this month is green.

For information on which services are being held where and by whom, please see the details in the centre pages.



#### What an incredible month!

The months ahead offer us a change of pace - either by choice or dictated by School summer holidays. It affects us all in many ways from changes to traffic around the villages to friends and family being away. We might get the chance to rest, or it makes us feel anxious as we don't see people as often as normal. However, we know the season will soon pass, so we only have a short time to do things differently even if it's just making a call on one of our neighbours.

I wish I could do more, but I accept that only so much is possible. There are so many events on that I don't get to see or support. Over time I hope this changes (I've not been your Parish Priest for a year yet!). The flower festival was an amazing event. I single this out because it was new. The last time it happened was over 40 years ago. All of the villages got involved and many people who don't use church regularly helped out. Thank you! I hope this helps us all understand that our seven churches are here, as am I, for everyone that lives in the parish and everyone who visits. If anything is on your mind about what I do, or what we could change then please get in touch. It's rare that church is full, but we've got close at West Deeping, Wilsthorpe and Greatford recently. And with many marriages and baptism taking place before the autumn I'm sure they'll be full again.

I'm planning two events for next year. Don't hide, as I'm not looking for volunteers!

1. For our Youth - I am arranging a week camping trip to the National Youth Pilgrimage (Walsingham Norfolk). This usually takes place in the first full week of the school holidays (when all schools are off). It's for children aged 11-17. Depending on how many youth come some adult helpers will be needed. PLEASE LET ME KNOW BY EMAIL IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE DETAILS. It is approximately £190 per person for the week. I'm going this year on the 29th July to the 2nd August and will join 500 pilgrims for a week of activities. It's a great way to escape the pressures of school and family life.

2. For everyone – 10th, 11th & 12th July 2020 Weekend Pilgrimage to Walsingham. If you're interested then please let me know. I have reserved 10 places (full board at £140 each).

Sometimes we need to do different things before we can see how Church can fit into our lives. I hope the flower festival has done this for some people, and the planned trips will help others. Let me know if you have any other ideas or requests.

#### CHURCH SERVICES AND DIARY DATES FOR AUGUST 2019 VOLUME 34 NUMBER 5

Abbreviations: Holy Communion (HC); Morning Prayer (MP); Evening Prayer (EP); All Age Worship (AAW)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
9am Braceborough HC: Fr Aran	9.45am UFFVH Yoga	2pm TallVH Post Office
11am Uffington HC: Canon David		7pm Greatford HC: Fr Aran
11am Wilsthorpe HC: Fr Aran		
11am WDeeping MP: Team+Padre Shaw		
3pm Braceborough – Baptism: Fr Aran		
3-5pm UffVH - Uffington Flower Festival		
Celebration Tea		
6pm Barholm BCP EP Fr Aran		
<b>11</b> <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>
9am Greatford HC: Fr Aran	9.45am UFFVH Yoga	2pm TallVH Post Office
11am Uffington HC with Baptism : Fr Aran		2pm UffVH U3A Book binding &
11am WDeeping HC: Canon David		Repairs
2pm WDVH Walkers		
6pm Tallington BCP EP: Rev'd John Batty		
18 <sup>th</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>
9am Barholm HC: Canon David		2pm TallVH Post Office
11am Uffington HC: Rev'd Martin		
11am WDeeping AAW: Team		
25 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup>
9am Greatford HC: Padre Shaw		2pm TallVH Post Office
11am Tallington HC: Pdre Shaw		2pm UffVH U3A Book binding &
11am Uffington AAW: Les & Liz		Repairs
2pm WDVH Walkers		
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	UffVH Physio led Pilates 10.15,11.30,12.45&1.45 UffVH Hartbeeps 7pm TallVH Yoga 7.30pm WDVH Bowls 8pm UffVH Parish Council	9.55am Uff Walk & Talk	
7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
1pm TallVH 'Move It' 6.30pm UffVH Tai Chi	10.15,11.30,12.45&1.45 UffVH Hartbeeps 7pm TallVH Yoga 7.30pm WDVH Bowls		3pm UffVH Garden Tea Party & 175 Club Draw
14 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup>
1pm TallVH 'Move It' 6.30pm UffVH Tai Chi	7pm TallVH Yoga 7pm Barholm Said HC: Fr Aran – With 'Incense' 7.30pm WDVH Bowls		10.30am WDVH Coffee Morning
<b>21</b> <sup>st</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup>	24 <sup>th</sup>
1pm TallVH 'Move It' 8pm Bertie Arms Quiz	7pm TallVH Yoga 7.30pm WDVH Bowls		
28 <sup>th</sup>	29 <sup>th</sup>	30 <sup>th</sup>	31 <sup>st</sup>
1pm TallVH 'Move It' 6.30pm UffVH Tai Chi	UffVH Physio led Pilates 7pm TallVH Yoga	7.45pm WDVH Rambling Readers	3pm TallVH Re-Opening Party