

# Parish Magazine

## September 2020



**Levington**



**Nacton**



**Bucklesham**

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Baptisms, marriages, sick Communion etc. by arrangement with one of the Ministry Team (*see above*).

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PLAYGROUP Nacton Village Hall, Daily for 2½ - 5 years *Info.* Meryl Taverner; Sue Winder; [Nacton & Bucklesham U5s](#)  
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TODDLER GROUP	Nacton Village Hall, Tuesdays 1.30pm - 3.00pm	<i>Information as above</i>
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BUCKLESHAM LADIES' GROUP	Every second Thursday of the month	<i>Information</i> Trudy Woollard 659654
MOTHERS' UNION	First Wednesday of month, 2.00pm	<i>Branch Leader</i> Rev. Helen Davy 01394 270703
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Contact: 263838	Levington, Bridge Road Lay-by 10.55 – 11.10 am. Bucklesham, outside 'Shannon' 11.25 – 11.50am	

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*Cover picture: Thistles in the sunlight*

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Should you have specific requests for prayer, please contact Rev Ian (01473 659875) or Rev Sarah (01394 448936) who are continuing a ministry of daily prayer throughout this difficult time.

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## The Reverend Canon Ian Wilson

Fire, Water, Air and Earth.

Like many people, due to the developing situation with the COVID virus, Trish and I thought we'd never get away on holiday. We were due to be on the Isle of Mull in May, but for obvious reasons, this was not possible. We had also booked a couple of weeks in Norfolk for late August and worried that this was going to be cancelled as well. But it wasn't and we finally got away to a wonderful caravan site on the Norfolk Broads.

The Norfolk Broads is a National Park and is an area known for its wide-open horizons, its wildlife and as a place to enjoy nature. For the first week, we relaxed in the beauty of the Broads and marvelled at how well the authorities in the Park had adapted the more touristy areas so that visitors were kept safe. But as our holiday progressed, we began to encounter the full force of the elements. It was Trish who recognised this and even said, "We've had Fire, Water, Air and Earth this holiday." Fire? We had 30+ degrees centigrade on the hottest days and found it difficult to escape the burning of the direct sunlight. Water? We had a couple of deluges of rain that caused unexpected localised flooding in an area that already has an excess of water. Air? Well, we had two nights of gale force winds that shook our caravan and dislodged our awning and the next day we encountered campers who spoke of their tents being literally blown away in the middle of the night. But what about Earth? I struggled to identify experiencing Earth and had to ask Trish where we'd encountered this and she simply said, "Mundesley beach and the feeling of wet sand squelching through our toes!" Ah yes. The day after one of the very windy nights, we went for a walk along the beautiful beach at Mundesley. It was beautiful, we did indeed feel the wet sand squelching between our toes, and people were enjoying the sea. But the beauty and the feeling of wet sand was tempered by the tail end of the gale force winds. The sudden gusts of wind were picking up the light dry sand from the edge of the beach and blowing it against any exposed skin with such force that it was like being sandblasted. Very painful.

Now, you might expect me to say that our experiences of Fire, Water, Air and Earth actually marred an otherwise relaxing holiday, but it didn't. If anything, it added a different dimension to our holiday that was quite exhilarating. It also reminded me that as human beings, we have always been part of nature and for most of our existence have viewed ourselves as part of the natural order. It is only very recently in the time that human beings have walked this planet that we have seen ourselves as being other than nature and have separated ourselves from it. This, however, has given us a distorted view and has resulted in us not only believing that we can control the environment that we live in but also that we have a right to use the resources of the planet as we wish. However, our Norfolk Broads holiday only goes to

show that we are not in control of the environment and that our abuse of natural resources is only making things worse. In fact, we now have even less control than we thought we had.

When God created the elemental forces and all living things, including us, what he made and what he saw was, 'very good' (Genesis 1.31). We were created to be part of nature, not separated from it, and the Genesis vision of our place in nature was that we should be the custodians, stewards even, of what God created. We cannot control the elemental forces of Fire, Water, Air and Earth, but what we can ensure that the way we treat the environment (in other words, our excess use of natural resources) does not make the impact that the elemental forces even worse and we can do this by taking seriously the Genesis vision of our custodianship of God's creation.

With every blessing,  
Ian

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## Proposed Services in September (to be confirmed)

Based on the current restrictions, not all our parish churches are able to host an act of public worship. However, some will be open for private prayer, and others on Sunday morning. All Sunday worship will be at 10-30am and places will need to be booked with a representative of the parish.

- September 6<sup>th</sup>** Morning Prayer St Ethelbert Falkenham and Holy Communion All Saints Waldringfield
- September 13<sup>th</sup>** Holy Communion St Peter Levington and Morning Prayer All Saints Hemley
- September 20<sup>th</sup>** St Martin Nacton, St Ethelbert Falkenham and St Mary Newbourne
- September 27<sup>th</sup>** St Mary Bucklesham, St Mary & St Martin Kirton and All Saints Waldringfield

Churches opening for private prayer

- Monday** St Mary the Virgin Newbourne – 2.00pm to 4.00pm
- Wednesday** St Mary Bucklesham – 2 pm to 4-30 pm - St Mary and St Martin Kirton - 10.00am to 12.00 noon.
- Thursday** St Ethelbert Falkenham – 10.00am to 12 noon.



## Covid-19: Church of England guidance

The Government has issued a statement that face coverings will be mandatory in Places of Worship from 8<sup>th</sup> August. We will study detailed government regulations and guidance once they are available and will update our guidance accordingly. In the meantime, we continue to strongly advise that face coverings should be worn by all those attending a place of worship, including ministers, worshippers, staff, volunteers, contractors and visitors, where there may be other people present; remembering that they are mainly intended to protect other people, not the wearer, from coronavirus (COVID-19) and that they are not a replacement for physical distancing and regular hand washing.

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## Music for Morning Prayer

Dorrie Giles and Malcolm Gee of St Martin Nacton, have been putting together, each week, a list of hymns that link with the Morning Prayer service that Rev Ian is recording and distributing by email. If you would like Dorrie to add you to her circulation list for the hymns, please let her have your email address at [dorrie.giles@btinternet.com](mailto:dorrie.giles@btinternet.com). Our thanks to Dorrie and Malcolm.

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## **RIDE and STRIDE 2020**

**Saturday, 12th September: 9.00am – 5.00pm**

The annual Ride and Stride event for **The Suffolk Historic Churches Trust** is not being put off by the Pandemic (fresh air never hurt anyone!). This is the main fund-raising event for this hard-pressed charity and half of your sponsorship money will be given back to your church to help pay its way: particularly important when the income from collections has drastically reduced. Your involvement will be more appreciated than ever and **WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE**.

If you are a walker, why not make up a party of friends (dogs are welcome) and enjoy some of the best views in Suffolk? If you are a cyclist why not visit some of the finest buildings in Suffolk? Why not be sponsored and help underpin the fragile finances of church and charity.

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***Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September: 9.00am – 5.00pm***

**This event is looking for your support please.**

***Could you walk between a few churches & be sponsored?***

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***Would you sponsor those that are riding or striding?***

***Would you welcome riders and striders at the churches?***

Church Organisers:

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## **Prayer requests**

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If you know someone who cannot access this Newsletter by email and would appreciate a printed copy, please let Rev Sarah have their address (with their permission) who will post a copy.

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## Message from Bishop Mike



We have lots of heroes today. Sports stars, media personalities, supermodels, singers... in fact it does raise an eyebrow when so many of our civic awards are dominated by athletes, musicians and actors. But alongside these 'usual suspects' of popular culture, one of the silver linings of the Covid-19 cloud has been the

way it has helped us recognise many normally unsung heroes, among whom are all sorts of key workers, NHS personnel and support staff.

And there's another group I would call attention to at this time. Schools are about to re-start (in some cases they already have) and now might be a good moment to pause in appreciation of a particular group of unsung heroes, teachers.

Most of us have a teacher (or two) who we could single out and say we are particularly grateful to – for encouraging us, believing in us, motivating us. Without such teachers we know things could have turned out rather differently.

And it's not surprising that the great faith leaders of humanity are often lauded as teachers too. Take Moses, a liberator, a law-giver, a military commander and prophet but the most familiar way he is addressed in Judaism is Moshe Rabbenu, "Moses our teacher" because that is the highest honour that can be given to him. The majority of Jesus' ministry was one of teaching, and significantly, when Mary Magdalene meets Jesus risen from the tomb she says "Rabbouni", an affectionate term for teacher.

Teaching is a high calling indeed. We need good teachers, and we need to value good teachers, encourage good teachers and appreciate good teachers.

### **Prayer for Teachers and Pupils**

God of wisdom,  
Give me joy as I start work for this school year;  
Give me love for those I meet,  
Give me hope for those whose future I affect,  
Give me strength for each day  
And the knowledge of your presence by my side.  
Amen.

## Season of Creation 2020

Season of Creation, running from 1 September to St Francis day on 4 October, is a time when churches and congregations are called to pay special attention to the responsibility of humanity for the Earth and for all that lives upon it.

As we aim for net-zero emissions, we are encouraging all churches to focus on the environment. In this particular year, the need for just and sustainable systems has been revealed by the far-reaching effects of the global COVID-19 pandemic. There are many ways to get involved including:

- Season of Creation resources
- Letters of Creation - a project for Children and young people under 30
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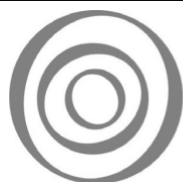
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