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Whenever momentous announcements are made, or life changing decisions taken involving public figures, the media swings into action with a whole raft of opinions, some from journalists or well known figures, some from people whose names are unknown, but rest assured that everyone has an opinion and will voice it given a chance. So it is with the announcement of the forthcoming abdication of Pope Benedict XVI. After the initial shock and sadness the words courageous and grace are being used in abundance about the Pope. Even perhaps admiration that an apparently conservative Pope could make such a modern decision. Canon Richardson who is the Archbishop of Canterbury's representative to the Holy See said that the abdication was an act of courage. So what of the future? Both the See of Rome and the See of Canterbury have been led for the last eight years by talented scholars, both Pope Benedict and Rowan Williams are scholars of renown and while they respected each other's point of view, the hoped for results of a closer working together did not materialise. Might it now be time for strong spiritual leadership which in turn enables the other things to fall into place? Our new Archbishop Justin Welby said of Pope Benedict "As I prepare to take up office, I speak for myself, my predecessors as Archbishop, and for Anglicans around the world in giving thanks to God for a priestly life utterly dedicated in word and deed, in prayer and costly service to following Christ."

Please keep our brothers and sisters of the Roman Catholic Church in your prayers as their senior cardinals meet this month to elect a new spiritual leader.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is my benefice report for 2012 which I have been asked to include in this newsletter.

*Pauline*

### **CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION**

Every six years the names of those on the Church Electoral Roll are removed and a new roll of names is prepared. 2013 is the year for this to be done. If you wish your names to remain on the church electoral roll please fill in a new form. Please contact the Electoral Roll Officer for your parish to obtain a form if you have not yet been contacted. The Church of England rules allow for those who have been baptised to have their names on the roll of two churches at the same time. Please contact the church electoral roll officer of the PCC for more help:

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### **CARLFORD AND BEALINGS GROUP MINISTRY, INAUGURAL SERVICE 10TH MARCH**

Last month I talked about the new Carlford & Bealings Group Ministry to which our four parishes belong. On 10<sup>th</sup> March there will be a special service at Otley Church at 3pm to which you are invited. Bishop Clive will be coming and presiding over the legal aspects of the new group. It is also a time for celebration and making a commitment to work together across the 12 parishes. The parishes of Otley, Swilland, Ashbocking, Clopton, Boulge, Burgh, Grundisburgh and Hasketon form the new Carlford benefice who have joined with our four parishes of Great & Little Bealings, Playford and Culpho to form the Carlford and Bealings Group Ministry. If you are planning to attend please let Pauline know so that I can let Otley know what size group to expect.

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## BENEFICE

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**LENT COURSE** - a reminder that this takes place on Monday afternoons 2-3.30pm at Otley Hall and Wednesday evening 7.30-9pm at Grundisburgh Parish room... All welcome but please bring a bible with you.

**LENT LUNCHES** - continue taking place on Tuesday at 12.30 in the Angela Cobbold Hall, come and enjoy home made soup and bread,

### **HOLY WEEK LECTIO DIVINA**

During Holy Week, starting on Monday 25 March, there will be a short service each evening of Lectio Divina in the churches of the Carlford Group. Lectio Divina is "Holy Listening" or reading if you prefer. Slow repetitive reading of a short passage of scripture to enable God to speak to us through it. Details of where and when are on the back page of this newsletter.

### **BENEFICE REPORT FOR 2012**

The major event for our parishes in 2012 was the setting up of the Carlford Group, (Carlford was one of the ancient names for this area, for instance our Woodbridge Deanery is the combination of the old Wilford and Carlford Deaneries). As from 1st January 2013 the group comes into existence, and consists of the Carlford benefice. The eight parishes that formed the Otley and Grundisburgh benefices, are to be looked after by Canon Clare Sanders as Incumbent, and our four parishes with me as your Incumbent.

There are rich resources within the group, both lay and ordained authorised ministers, with many more volunteers offering their time and gifts, more than enough to keep ministry alive and well. Being part of a group means that the community is larger with more resources on offer for all to share. One Lent course and marriage preparation

afternoon instead of at least 3, means a wider range of input from the leaders, and a larger group of attendees to share in discussion. Holiday cover is often provided by priests of the group when I go away, ensuring that there is always a priest on call for emergencies. I think for us as a small benefice it is a win, win situation. We retain our independence, but at the same time have wider resources available to us.

My thanks as usual to all our Churchwardens who look after the day to day running of their church buildings; we would be the poorer without them. We are fortunate in our Treasurers; looking after church finances becomes increasingly more complex and I am grateful to those who give of their time to keep our money in order. Grateful thanks also to all who hold office within their PCC and to the unseen folk who take time to look after the cleaning, the flowers, the churchyard, and the minor repair jobs, to name but a few of the tasks. We are very fortunate in our musical resources and are the envy of other small parishes in the area. Services would have a very different feel without our choir, choir leader and organists. They put an enormous amount of effort into their music, the result of which we enjoy each Sunday. I am also grateful that they support and cover for each other, we are lucky that we rarely have a mid morning or afternoon service without music.

Our two trainee ministers continue with their studies, which takes some 10-15 hours a week of their time before they even prepare to lead a service or preach a sermon. Our thanks go to them and their families for their commitment to us as a benefice. They are both at the stage now where they can lead non Eucharistic services by themselves. Well done to both!

One of the problems which have presented us with a challenge during the last year is that it is becoming harder to replace those volunteers who feel that the time has come for them to retire from active church life. The burden of keeping the buildings warm and welcoming is increasingly falling on fewer and fewer people. The time is not so far off when we will have to leave some tasks undone unless more help can be found. I am immensely grateful though, to the people who have moved into the area and become part of our active church membership.

Thank you to all of you who make a regular donation to your church, without your support we would be in very real trouble. Another ongoing challenge is trying to raise enough money to keep "the show on the road". Income is rapidly falling below expenditure in all 4 churches. This is not because of sloppy or wasteful spending but because 'giving' to the church from villagers and those who support services, is not sufficient to cover our commitments. The major reasons for this are that several of the generous contributors of past years are moving out of the area or

reaching the end of their life. We are totally reliant on voluntary income to keep the building warm, welcoming and in good order and to pay for the ministry within the church. For instance the cost of training of our Reader in training and Ordinand has been calculated as £40,000 over 3 years. That training comes free to us at the point of delivery but our parish share in return should help to fill the coffers for the next round of trainees. Similarly the Incumbent's stipend is also funded in the same way. If you are able, please make a regular donation to your local church, it doesn't have to be a large sum, and we will be very grateful for your contribution.

The church and its ministers are there for all residents and are a village resource. We can conduct baptisms, wedding and funeral services for you, and residents can still be buried in the churchyard if there is room. You can request a visit from me or a lay minister and ask for prayers on behalf of your family and friends. Please feel that you can make use of us when you want.

*The Revd Canon Pauline Stentiford  
January 2013*

## **FROM THE REGISTERS**

### **FUNERAL**

February 1 <sup>st</sup>	Joan Barnasuik	funeral	Witnesham
February 6 <sup>th</sup>	Patrick Lindsay	burial of ashes	Little Bealings
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Alastair Gold	cremation	Little Bealings
February 8 <sup>th</sup>	Connie Dunn	cremation	Little Bealings
February 13 <sup>th</sup>	Sylvia Chenery	burial	Little Bealings
February 15 <sup>th</sup>	John Austin	cremation	Great Bealings
February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Rachel Sheppard	burial	Great Bealings

## MARCH READINGS AND LITURGICAL COLOURS

<b>3rd March</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>Purple</b>
<i>OT Lesson</i> 10.00 am only	Isaiah 55.1-9	
<i>NT Lesson</i> 8.00 am / 10.00 am	1Corinthians 10.1-13	RCL pg. 827
<i>Gospel</i> 8.00 am / 10.00 am	Luke 13.1-9	
<b>10th March</b>	<b>4th Sunday of Lent / Mothering Sunday</b>	
<i>OT Lesson</i> 10.00 am only	Joshua 5.9-12	Purple
<i>NT lesson</i> 8.00 am / 10.00 am	2Corinthians 5.16-end	RCL pg. 831
<i>Gospel</i> 8.00 m / 10.00 am	Luke 15.1-3, 11-end	
<b>17th March</b>	<b>5th Sunday of Lent</b>	
<i>OT Lesson</i> 10.00 am / 3pm	Isaiah 43.16-21	Purple
<i>NT lesson</i> 8.00 m / 10.00 am	Philippians 3.4-14	RCL pg. 835
<i>Gospel</i> 8.00 m / 10.00 am / 3.00pm	John 12.1-8	
<b>24th March</b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>Red</b>
<i>Gospel</i> 8.00 m / 10.00 am	Churchyard Gate <i>Luke 19.28-40</i>	RCL pg. 838
<i>NT Lesson</i> 8.00 m / 10.00 am	Philippians 2.5-11	
<i>Passion Reading</i> 10.00 am only	St Luke (on sheet)	
<b>28th March</b>	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>	<b>White</b>
<i>OT Lesson</i> 7.30pm	Exodus 12.1-14	RCL pg. 162
<i>NT Lesson</i>	1 Corinthians 11.23-26	
<i>Gospel</i>	John 13.1-17, 31-35	
<b>29th March 2.00 pm</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>Hangings Removed</b>
	Readings on sheet	
<b>30th March 7.30 pm</b>	<b>EASTER VIGIL</b>	<b>White</b>
	<b>1st Communion of Easter</b>	
<i>OT Lessons</i> 7.30pm	Genesis 1.1-5, 26-31	(on sheet)
	Exodus 14.10-31; 15.20,21	(on sheet)
	Ezekiel 36.24-28	(on sheet)
<i>Epistle</i>	Romans 6.3-11	RCL pg. 212
<i>Gospel</i>	Luke 24.1-12	RCL pg. 850
<b>31st March</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY (clocks go forward)</b>	<b>White</b>
<i>1st Reading</i> 8.00 m/10.00 am	Acts 10.34-43	RCL pg. 853
<i>2nd Reading</i> 10.00 am only	1 Corinthians 15.19-26	RCL pg. 541/543
<i>Gospel</i> 8.00 m / 10.00 am	Luke 24.1-12	
<b>7th April</b>	<b>2nd Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>White</b>
<i>1st Lesson</i> 8.00 am / 10.00 am	Acts 5.27-32	
<i>2nd Lesson</i> 8.00 am / 10.00 am	Revelation 1.4-8	RCL pg. 859
<i>Gospel</i> 8.00 am / 10.00 am	John 20.19-end	



# EASTER SERVICES

## SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup>

### PALM SUNDAY - START OF HOLY WEEK

8.00 am

Holy Communion

**Great Bealings**

10.00 am

Sung Eucharist

**Playford**

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## MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup>

7.30 pm

Lectio Divina

Boulge

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## TUESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup>

7.30 pm

Lectio Divina

Ashbocking

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## WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup>

10.30 am

Holy Communion

**Culpho**

7.30 pm

Lectio Divina

**Culpho**

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## THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup>

### MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30 pm

Sung Eucharist  
and stripping of the altar

**Little Bealings**

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## FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup>

### GOOD FRIDAY

10.00-12noon

All Age Workshop

Angela Cobbold Hall, Little Bealings

2.00 pm

At the foot of the Cross  
- readings and music

**Great Bealings**

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## SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup>

### HOLY SATURDAY / EASTER VIGIL

7.30 pm

Lighting of the Easter Fire  
and 1st Eucharist of Easter

**Great Bealings**

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## SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup>

### EASTER DAY

8.00 am

Holy Communion

**Playford**

10.00 am

Sung Eucharist

**Little Bealings**

## **BRITISH RED CROSS- ACROSS SUFFOLK- Winter/ Spring Snapshot of what we do near you.**

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We have almost 100 'home from hospital' volunteers, offering home visits to vulnerable people after a stay in hospital. They work from Ipswich and James Paget hospitals. If you would like help from the home from hospital team or to volunteer a couple of hours a week please call 01473 702 485

The East Suffolk Fire and Emergency Support Team attended three night-time house fires between Christmas and New-year, providing a refuge for families whilst the emergency services were in attendance. To volunteer with this vital (FESS) team call 01473 219260 The FESS team were also out on the Suffolk streets with blankets and help for homeless people during the bitterly cold weather in December and January. Look out for the new Red Cross Open Gardens leaflet at libraries and tourist information centres. We've many new gardens to visit across Suffolk- so do join us for flowers, tea and cake.

Red Cross Week is May 5th-12th - please help us to raise £15,000 in Suffolk by holding a pub quiz, putting a collection can in your local shop or even jumping out of a plane.

If you would like me to talk to your local group about the work of the Red Cross (or for anything else) contact Jane Dow on 01284 727247.

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## **URGENT CLOTHING NEEDED FOR AGE UK SUFFOLK CHARITY SHOPS**

Age UK Suffolk is sending out a plea to ask for unwanted clothes (both second-hand and new) and other goods that can be sold in their charity shops in Suffolk.

Carl Day, County Retail Manager said "our Age UK Suffolk shops are all very up-to-date and we have a wonderful team of staff and volunteers who are always looking at new ways of attracting customers as well as encouraging donations of stock."

He continued "We want to highlight the fact that we particularly need donations of clothes and textiles. We welcome both second-hand and new items of clothing, and we want to encourage people to look in their wardrobes and donate clothes (especially designer makes as our customers are often looking for particular garments).

We also want to ask large companies to think about organising collections on certain days and ask staff to bring stock into work for collection or delivery to their nearest Age UK Suffolk shop". We

also take bric-a-brac, books, music, small electrical items and need furniture (which we can collect from Ipswich and surrounding areas) for our shop in Carr Street, Ipswich”.

The income from the Age UK Suffolk shops is vital to cover the costs of the services we provide for older people in Suffolk.

It is also really important that people recognize that we are in competition with not only other charities (who all do good work) but also other organisations. We are particularly concerned with the welfare of older people in the present climate - so please think of Age UK Suffolk when you are next having a big sort out in your home, or perhaps you could arrange for your employer to have a ‘bring a bag to work’ day. We can arrange for bags to be collected from a business or individual bags can be delivered to our nearest shop or office. Please call Ipswich –

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## **COULD YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE?**

The Telephone Befriending Service is designed to benefit older people who are socially isolated, offering regular contact and friendship. For some older people, their befriender may be the only person they hear from that day or even that week.

Telephone befrienders are volunteers and can live anywhere in the county– it doesn’t matter where they live in relation to the person they are befriending. We are keen to extend this service and need more volunteers to help us to do so.

Would you be able to give about twenty minutes of your time each week to make a call to an older person – sharing stories and news, having fun and making a real difference? If you would like to know about being a telephone befriender or any other volunteering op-

portunities with Age UK Suffolk, contact us at the volunteer office on 01473 298684. Alternatively you can email us at [volunteer@ageuksuffolk.org](mailto:volunteer@ageuksuffolk.org) or look at our website at [www.ageuksuffolk.org](http://www.ageuksuffolk.org) Age UK Suffolk is a local independent charity working with and for older people across Suffolk. We’d love to hear from you.

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Thursday 14 March 2013,  
1.00 pm –to 1.50 pm

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Tea and biscuits are available – the kettle will be on the hob at 12.30pm.

Although admission is free, a retiring collection of £2.00 will be appreciated. This is to defray expenses incurred in hosting the series.

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## BEALINGS

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### BEALINGS WI

Although the January WI meeting was cancelled due to snow and icy conditions, planning continued for future meetings, coffee get-togethers and the shopping trip to Norwich.

The March meeting will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> at 2.30pm when Ms E Wainwright will be the guest speaker: her subject "Gemstone Jewellery". There will also be the Market Stall and Greeting Card sales as usual.

#### Bealings WI is still collecting:

- Redundant carpentry and garden tools, also fabric and haberdashery for TWAM.
- Men's shoes and clothing in good condition for Salvation Army local

project.

- Broken jewellery and beads for WI
- Unwanted glasses for Oxfam.

Opportunities for a Spring de-clutter!  
Contact Jennifer Cook 01473 623985

*Jennifer Cook*

### BEALINGS SCHOOL HISTORY

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Thank you

*Jim Pawsey*

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**SATURDAY 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

**10.00 am - 12.00 NOON**

Plants          Cakes

Produce        Raffle

Parking

Children's playground at Village  
Hall, so bring the family

Entry £1          Children free  
Includes coffee & biscuits or  
squash

**See you there!**

*In aid of St Mary's and All Saints  
Great and Little Bealings churches*

**PLANTS  
SALE**

## **2013 BEALINGS PLANT SALE**

A last minute reminder of the two key dates:

**Monday March 4<sup>th</sup>** - preliminary meeting, to be held in the home of Peter and Vicki Carr in Corner Cottage. As previously mentioned, an email invitation and Agenda will go out to all those who have been previously involved

**Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup>** - the event itself. With six or seven weeks to go, now is a good time to start thinking SEEDS, probably under glass, and to tidy up the pots ready to have them at their attractive sales worthy best in April. We shall welcome help on the Friday morning and afternoon setting up, collecting tables, plants etc, before and during the sale, manning the tables, and immediately afterwards, so we can leave the Hall in a clean and tidy state. If you are free at any time over that period do please contact us.

It would be lovely to see new faces and to bring fresh blood and new ideas into the organisation of this well established event.

*Paddy Bills and Norman Porter (see inside front cover for contact details)*

**COME TO BEALINGS VILLAGE HALL FOR .....**  
**A WINE TASTING EVENING**

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 8.00 pm**

Sample 8 delicious wines for £8.00

Free light snacks for all

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**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

*Contact Malcolm on 01473 610169*

*or*

*Sally on 01473 735230*

**Tickets must be booked by 8<sup>th</sup> March**

Wines will also be available by the glass after the tasting

*All profits will go towards the maintenance of the Village Hall and Playing Field*

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## GREAT BEALINGS

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### ST MARY'S

At the time of writing the church snowdrops are flowering in glorious profusion. Do drop by to have a look at them. There are a couple of woodpeckers tapping merrily away close by, and you can hear the owls hooting in the distance around twilight. So – nature is on the move – how about you?

### LOOKING BACK

#### ORGAN RECITAL

#### BY LEWIS CROWTOWER

We have heard from Michael - his performing name – since his return to the States, and he has sent the following message:

"Thank you again, very much, for hosting my "Christmas from Chant and Legend" concert at Great Bealings. Your church is VERY beautiful and your congregation was very welcoming. I appreciate your kindness very much. It is hard to put into words, how honored I am for having played my music in a place with such a depth of history and culture. And thank you for driving me around! By the way, I haven't forgotten about supplying you with some artwork and God willing, I should be able to get to carving out a plate for printmaking sometime next month. Thank you again, and God Bless!"

Michael also sent a few pictures from the church, and a couple of pictures of a snowy day back home.

### SERVICES – MEMORIAL - JOHN AUSTIN

We are sorry to carry news of the death of John Austin. He and his late wife, Shirley, were both great supporters of the church, even though they lived in Woodbridge. For many years John helped Hugh Philbrick with the Electoral Roll, and Shirley was on our flower roster. The Memorial Service for John took place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February, and his

grand children put together a fine verbal tableau of his life. He was an engineer by profession, having graduated from Glasgow University, and moved to a series of top executive jobs in these parts in 1968. He held senior positions with Ransomes and Rapier, Manns of Saxham, The Eastern Electricity Board and the Ipswich Port Authority. He had been unwell for some time, but had been able to live at home thanks to dedicated carers. We offer our sincere condolences to James and Frances, and thank John for all that he did for St Mary's.

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### THE HANDING OVER OF THE CHURCH RECORDERS' BOOK

For some two years members of local NADFAS groups (National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts) have been recording details of the interior and treasures of our Church. The result is a book of great significance – one copy of it is sent to The Victoria and Albert Museum.

Our own copy is to be presented to our Priest at a special service on **April 14<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 am**. Instead of a sermon there will be a brief explanation of the work involved. There will be refreshments at the end of the service, which will consist of readings and appropriate hymns.

We do urge anyone with an interest in fine art and church treasures, and in our own church, in particular, to come and join us for what will be a very special occasion.

#### FROM OUR ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER – JONATHAN KEER

A new electoral roll is being drawn up and all existing members should have received the forms to re-register, which should be returned to me at Light Hill, Lodge Road, Great Bealings IP13 6WW .

If anyone wants to register for the first

time, they should also contact me. My phone number is 01473 735220, and there is an answer machine. Thank you.

### **PCC MEETINGS**

We have a **PCC meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup>** – if you wish to bring any matter to the attention of the Committee please contact the Secretary, Eric Barnet, or the Churchwarden, Norman Porter.

The **Annual Parish Meeting**, to which non-members are very welcome, and at which the Annual Report will be presented, is to be held on **Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup>**. Details of time and venue will be notified in the April Magazine.

*Churchwarden*

## **FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH**

### **PLANS FOR 2013 AND OUR AGM**

After the excitement of 2012, with the Olympics and the Diamond Jubilee, this year could be a bit quieter for the village, but that need not be the case. We intend to hold another Farm Fair in September and The Friends are happy to support anyone who wishes to organise or suggest events, whether or not they make money. We hope to publish a full diary of events after the AGM.

You are all warmly encouraged to attend this meeting on **Wednesday 13th March at 7.30** in the Angela Cobbold

Hall. Please do not be put off by any perceived possibility of being dragged into joining a committee. We just welcome your support and enthusiasm. This will be a great opportunity to hear about what we have achieved so far and, more importantly, to discuss future events. Please come and share your thoughts and ideas. As an extra inducement, refreshments will be provided!  
*Sue Prentice*

### **NADFAS RECORDERS BOOK**

Please see above for details of the handing over of this book. It will be of special interest to “Friends” whose interests are more in the line of arts and crafts than theological.

### **PROGRESSIVE SUPPER PARTY**

This proceeded with relative smoothness on the first Saturday of February, and the weather gods smiled benignly upon the occasion. Almost 50 people took part, and we thank all participants for their great hospitality and impressive culinary efforts. We particularly thank Ian and Sarah Saggars for hosting the finale in such style, even though they had been on tenterhooks for weeks, worrying whether the builders would be out on time.

Next year –same again –the first weekend of February.

*Norman and Virginia Porter*



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## LITTLE BEALINGS

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### LET THERE BE LIGHT

On Friday January 25<sup>th</sup> the lights remembered Fred and Eunice Stimson, long-time residents of Devonian, Sandy Lane.

Margaret Roseboom and family asked for the lights – “Remembering my dear mother Marguerite Boughton on her birthday January 28<sup>th</sup>” and again on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February - “for Bill Boughton, four years since he passed away. Missed so much by Margaret and family”.

On Friday February 8<sup>th</sup> the lights shone “to mark the passing and laying to rest of Connie Dunn, beloved Mum to Julia Dowrick. Thanks for the memories you have given me”.

The lights welcomed Fleur Helble and her daughter Amelie arriving from Germany to celebrate Fleur’s birthday with the family at “Greenstead” on February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.

On Thursday February 21<sup>st</sup> the lights were sponsored by John Clements in loving memory of his late wife Rosemary Ethel Clements.

Celebrate the memories, mark the reunions and choose any excuse to keep our ancient church floodlit and solvent! £5 note or cheque payable to Little Bealings PCC will work the magic Parkside Cottage, Little Bealings 01473 626845

*Joan Moon*

## LITTLE BEALINGS

### PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13 February 2013

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**C12/2254: Part East Garden, Woodside, Martlesham Road: Erection of New Dwelling and Garage within the garden of Woodside**

It was noted that the applicant wished to build a bungalow to enable him to stay in the village. However, the location of the site was outside the village physical limits and a new dwelling would therefore be contrary to SCDC LDF policy. It was resolved to object to the development.

**C12/2483: Finches Hill, The Street: Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development (CLEUD): For a swimming pool enclosure built under permitted development law previously attached to dwelling but since 02/12/12 not attached**

It was noted that, since the appeal against a refusal to grant permission by SCDC, the four bolts which attached the enclosure to the dwelling had been removed, and application was being made on the grounds that the development was therefore now permitted development. It was noted that the argument is a technical one, but the Council resolved to maintain its previous objection to the development on the grounds of the appearance of the structure.

**C12/2583: Lime Tree Cottage, The Street: Creation of driveway in front garden including excavation of garden**

It was noted that the proposed driveway would not be out of keeping with other nearby driveways and the Council resolved not to object to the development.

**GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION: ‘STREAMLINING THE PLANNING APPLICATION PROCESS’**

It was agreed to respond to this consultation stating that, so long as it does not reduced the ability of the Council to consider applications and influence decisions, the streamlining of the process was welcomed.

## **FINANCE**

Confirmation would be sent to Barclays Bank that the Council was an eligible organisation for the purposes of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

## **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND VILLAGE REVIEW**

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday 15 April in Bealings Village Hall, and will be followed by a Village Review. All residents are invited to attend and participate. Refreshments will be served at the Village Review.

## **DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 4 March 2013 in the Village Hall Committee Room. During the first 15 minutes

of all Council meetings the public are welcome to raise any matters of concern with Councillors. The public may also speak for a maximum of 3 minutes on any item on the Agenda at the beginning of that item.

Future Parish Council meetings will be on 13 May, 1 July, 2 September, 4 November in 2013, and on 6 January and 3 March 2014.

The approved minutes of Parish Council meetings are available on the Council's website.

*Carol Ramsden - Clerk*

*01473 610088*

*Email: [littlebealingspc@btinternet.com](mailto:littlebealingspc@btinternet.com)*

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## **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING & VILLAGE REVIEW**

**15 APRIL 2013**

This year the Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 7pm in Bealings Village Hall on Monday 15 April. All residents are welcome to attend and hear of the Council's work over the last year and discuss any issues. All community groups are also invited to come and give a report on their activities. Please contact the Clerk before the meeting if you would like to give a report.

After the Annual Parish Meeting Suffolk ACRE will be helping to run a Village Review. This will ask residents for their views on important issues in the parish, such as traffic, community services, health, environment and the effectiveness of the Parish Council. Please come and give your views and help prepare a new Action Plan for the parish. Refreshments will be available.

*For more information please contact the Carol Ramsden, Clerk,*

*Email: [littlebealingspc@btinternet.com](mailto:littlebealingspc@btinternet.com)*

*Tel: 01473 610088.*

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## PLAYFORD

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### ST MARY'S NEWS

During the last few weeks many people have asked me (well two actually) why I did not write something for the February issue. The truth is that I did, but I sent the copy off to the incorrect e-mail address. It looked fairly close, but wasn't close enough. Which makes one yearn for the "good ol' days" when an incorrectly addressed or delivered letter would be popped through the door by a kind neighbour or a knowledgeable postman. But that's progress. So this time you have two for the price of one. Oh joy!

Since last reporting we have erected a new main notice board in the church porch. It is slightly larger than the last one and I am hoping to keep it relevant and up to date!

There will be a 'coffee duty roster volunteer list' in the church soon. Dare you append your name?

Or will you drink up and run?

We have decided to replace the lighted candle in the sanctuary with an electric candle. I know this is a "not in my day sir" situation but we have to take into consideration the cost of the special candles and the fire hazard. The electric candles last for one week and are powered by two AA batteries which I shall change over each week from the rechargeable battery unit that we have also purchased. It will also double up as the vicar's microphone battery charger, which as many of you know requires a beady eye. Say no more! Please let me know what you think.

I am also looking for volunteers to take over small sections of the churchyard. Would you consider being responsible for a small patch?

I shall be promulgating the idea in the church porch and around the village in

the next month or two. I really do need help in this matter. If you take over a section it will be yours to look after, once a day, once a week, once a month- whatever you can do. No one will chase you up with a wagging finger. It will be yours to look after and care for. It only takes hard work, effort, commitment, love, concern, discipline, duty, unselfishness. All the things that perhaps you have said do not exist in this country any more. Oh yes they do! Have a think about it. It's God's allotment.

Our cleaners and helpers have been working hard to spruce up the inside of the church so that it is and remains welcoming. Please let me know if you have any ideas to improve things. It is your church, your spiritual home and there is no reason why it should not look good. Just as it did at Christmas. Wonderful and uplifting.

You may have noticed that the churchyard gates now open to their full extent. It has unfortunately made it a little muddy in that area but we hope to improve that soon with some gravel. The pulpit is being attended to lest we lose the vicar to a forward roll one Sunday after the pulpit collapses from being unsecured. And we don't want that do we? (Silence at the back please)

Our most recent efforts have been the Marriage Weekend which was a great success and you can read about in another article in this magazine. Congratulations to all who organised and helped with this event. Even bigger thanks to Mr and Mrs Innes for their Friday night reception.

My continuing thanks to Mr Molecatcher and Mr Leafsweeper. Your efforts do not go unnoticed.

*Colin Hedgley  
Church warden*

## **INTERNATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK AND OUR MARRIAGE FESTIVAL**

Over the weekend of 8th, 9th & 10th February the benefice celebrated the Institute of Marriage, in the form of the wedding festival. It all kicked off with a fundraising event at Playford hall where the Innes' kindly opened their doors fed us with canapés and wine along with a brief history of the Hall and a tour of some of the main rooms. In some of the bedrooms were the beautiful family wedding dresses, along with mother and father of the bride. The festival continued over the following two days up at St. Mary's Church where there were dresses from all over the diocese displayed. Again absolutely stunning dresses that spanned across nearly a century. Almost each decade was represented, starting in the 1920's. It was a great show of wedding fashion and how it has changed. Along with the dresses there was a display of photos of the happy couples on their special day. We also had windows decked out with hats, fascinators, veils, tiaras and one window with all those extra bits and bobs like champagne flutes, cake toppers and ring cushions. We even had a window with some wedding art. An enormous thank you to all those who loaned their precious dresses and memorabilia, the weekend and exhibition would not have worked without them all.

The church was also decked out, as is usual, with flowers and a big thank you goes to the ladies who always make the church look so lovely on a regular occasion and then make an even bigger effort on these special events to theme the flowers. The Hall and Church looked lovely.

We enjoyed a really nice service on the Sunday that was well attended. The service pulled together lots of favourite wedding hymns and readings, including

the very popular Corinthians 13 about love, a personal favourite and always worth re-reading. The service concluded with the promised wedding cake at the end with the tea & coffee. The cake was superb, thank you Judith.

So thank you to everyone who contributed to the glowing success of this festival, despite the cold, snow and ice, we welcomed many visitors. There are far too many people to thank by name, it really was a great community project and it was an honour to pull it together.

*Jocelyn Saunders*

I would like to add my thanks to Jos Saunders and Colin Hedgley for working very hard behind the scenes to ensure that the marriage festival weekend's events went smoothly, to Richard and Tessa Innes for opening Playford Hall and hosting the Friday evening reception, to all who contributed items for the exhibition and church, or helped in any way and lastly to everyone who supported. It is expected that the profits to church funds will be in the region of £1000. Well done! and thank you.

*Pauline*

## **PLAYFORD CHURCH LIGHTS**

9<sup>th</sup> February sponsored by Barbara Dunnett for her daughter, Jacqui Coates', birthday on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, niece Julie's birthday on 3<sup>rd</sup> February and remembering Mum's birthday on 5<sup>th</sup> February.

15<sup>TH</sup> February sponsored by Glenda Grimwood on the anniversary of her Father, Geoff Booker's death last year, 2012.

Requests to sponsor lights to: Veronica Bunbury at Church Corner Cottage  
Tel: 01473 623366 or email: [vronx@btinternet.com](mailto:vronx@btinternet.com)

NB if the request is for the same day or at very short notice, it is advisable to telephone, or ring the doorbell before posting request, to ensure that Veronica will be at home to set the lights.

## **PLAYFORD CHURCH – SPONSORED CHRISTMAS TREE**

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the villagers who kindly sponsored a Christmas Tree Angel to raise money for the Flower Fund. Multitudes of twinkling angels were handmade, each with their patron's personal message on them. Through everyone's kindness and generosity an impressive £243 was raised! This money will be used to buy the flower ladies the necessary materials to reinvigorate the Church's equipment: oasis, tape, wires, 'frogs', containers etc. *Thank you* to everyone who participated, your support is hugely appreciated.

*Wendy Jary and Ursula Richards*

## **PLAYFORD WI**

Angela Pratt gave us a very informative talk about DNA at our February meeting and Barbara Butler will be telling us about 'Pudge at Dunkirk' at our next meeting in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30p.m. Barbara sailed back to France on Pudge on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 'Operation Dynamo' when she collected previously untold stories from veterans. Visitors are very welcome to attend.

## **PARISH HALL car park and play area**

Members of the Parish Council together with help from Colin Snowden with his Land Rover and trailer, Olly Nash who gave freely of his time and brawn and Eric Metcalfe who brought along se-cateurs etc. and made an extraordinarily useful contribution have at last managed to remove the large pile of dead shrubs and trees which had been lying at the edge of the Parish Hall sports field and play area. Special thanks are due to Colin as without the loan of his trailer we would not have been able to

accomplish this. Thanks are due also to Charles Lofts for kindly allowing us to put the debris on his pile of garden waste.

While on the subject of the area surrounding the Parish Hall; it has been noted that dirty food jars complete with lids and sometimes broken and also broken crockery and glass, have been left to the side of the bottle disposal banks. Kind people from the village have been clearing these up as they appear and many thanks to those who do this. It is, perhaps, worth noting that the village no longer gets any payment from the County Council for the bottles collected from these bottle banks. Nonetheless, it is a very useful facility and I think most people in the village are pleased to have them and use them frequently.

*Veronica Bunbury  
Playford Parish Councillor*

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## CULPHO

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### ST. BOTOLPH

#### CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Grateful thanks go to all members of the resident and church community who registered their names on the new Church Electoral Roll. We are most appreciative of your support and full details will be posted on the Parish Notice Board following the Annual General Meeting.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Parochial Church Council will take place on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2013 following the Evensong Service. All are most welcome.

*Margaret Gornall*

### THANKFUL VILLAGES BIKE RIDE VISITING CULPHO 31ST JULY 11AM

This summer Medwyn Parry and Dougie Bancroft will be riding their motorbikes to every one of the 51 "Thankful Villages" in the United Kingdom. These

are villages with no traditional war memorial because all who went off to fight in the Great War were lucky enough to return home. Many had been scarred physically and/or mentally by their horrific ordeal – 14 of these are "Double Thankful", where they also returned from the Second World War.

The journey will start at Llanfihangel y Creuddyn, near Aberystwyth, at 9:00 am on Saturday the 27th of July, and some 2,500 miles and 9 days later it will finish at the same point, on Sunday the 4th of August. As far as the organisers know, nobody has visited all 51 in one journey. The ride will raise funds for the Royal British Legion - the target is £51,000. The ride will be visiting Culpho at 11am on 31st July. We look forward to welcoming the riders with a short church service and refreshments in church. All welcome to attend. For more details [www.thankfulvillagesrun.com](http://www.thankfulvillagesrun.com)

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*Pauline*

### ACTIVITIES & SERVICES

Please may we ask all those involved in groups, clubs and organisations who have an entry in the Activities/Services section on page 23 of the Newsletter to check that the details are correct.

Any amendments should be advised to the editorial team at :  
[beneficemag@gmail.com](mailto:beneficemag@gmail.com)

*Editorial team*

*Please keep this page for future reference, it will only appear if space permits*

## **ACTIVITIES/SERVICES**

### **BEALINGS**

**VH: Village Hall**

**ACH: Angela Cobbold Hall**

AGE UK		Village Representative	<i>Jenny Shaw 07962087205</i>
ANGELA COBBOLD HALL BOOKING			<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
ART	VH	Wed 10.00-1.00 & 1.30-3.30	<i>Sula Rubens 01502 723408</i>
BADMINTON	VH	Thu 7.30	<i>Martin Yates 07710187722</i>
BALLROOM DANCING	VH	First 3 Tue 7.30	<i>Teresa Rudd 07929310480</i>
BENEFICE CHOIR		Fri 7.30	<i>Gill Peck 625077</i>
CARPET BOWLS	VH	Tue 1.30/Wed 7.00	<i>Nigel Abbott 611005</i>
COUNTRY DANCING	VH	Mon 7.30 Phoenix Dance Group	<i>Liz Wright 01394 388787</i>
DANCE CLASS	VH	Fri 9.30	<i>Debbie Watkins-Jones 403513</i>
FRESH FISH		Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	<i>Catherine 07971970836</i>
GUIDES	ACH	Tue 6.30 - 8.30	<i>Jo Slim 01394 448846</i>
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	VH	Or via Volunteer Administrator	<i>07925 181390</i>
KEEP FIT	VH	Thu 10.00	<i>Joyce Bradley 726392</i>
LIBRARY		Thu (every 4 weeks) 2.15 – 2.30 mobile library at Boot St, Great Bealings 2.35-3.00 at Admiral's Head, Little Bealings	<i>07809594685</i>
REMOTE CONTROL TOYS	ACH	Bookable	<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
SNOOKER	VH	Any day <5 hours	<i>Margaret Wilson 07769195132</i>
TABLETENNIS	ACH	Bookable	<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
VILLAGE HALL BOOKING			<i>Margaret Wilson 07769195132</i>
WI	VH	Thu (3rd in month)	2.30 Mar - Oct 7.30 Apr - Sep <i>Jennifer Cook 623985</i>
WOLSEY MINIATURES	VH	Tue (4th in month) 7.30	<i>Teresa Pitcher 624580</i>

### **PLAYFORD**

**PH: Parish Hall**

AGE UK		Village Representative	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
ART CLUB	PH	Thu 10	<i>Mary Spillett 01394 385295</i>
FRESH FISH		Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	<i>Catherine 07971970836</i>
FOOT CLINIC	PH	Fri (every 8 weeks)	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
LIBRARY		Thu (every 4 weeks) 1.50 – 2.05 mobile library at phone box	<i>07809594685</i>
MILK		Tue, Thu, Sat Mon, Wed Fri	<i>Dairy Crest 747272</i> <i>Co-op Dairies</i>
NEWSPAPERS			<i>Grange News 01394 384082</i>
NOTICE BOARD	PH	See for art, bridge & social events	
PARISH HALL BOOKING			<i>Judith Dunnett 624077</i>
TODDLERS	PH	Fri 9.30 toddler group	
WHIST DRIVE	PH	Tues (4th in month ) 2.00 pm	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
WI	PH	Tue (1st in month)	<i>June Gosling 622039</i>
YOGA	PH	Tue 9.30	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
	PH	Thu evening 'Yoga for Mums'	<i>J Lawrence 738104</i>

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## CHURCH DIARY - MARCH

### SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>

8.00 am  
10.00 am

### 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Holy Communion  
Sung Eucharist

**Little Bealings  
Playford**

**MONDAY 4TH**

2.00 - 3.30pm

Lent Course

Otley Hall

**TUESDAY 5TH**

12.30 pm

Lent lunch - home made soup and bread

Angela Cobbold Hall

**WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup>**

10.30 am  
7.30pm  
7.30-9.00 pm

Holy Communion  
Great Bealings PCC  
Lent Course

Village Hall Committee room  
Grundisburgh Parish room

**Culpho**

### SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup>

8.00 am  
10.00 am  
3.00 pm

### 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT / MOTHERING SUNDAY

Holy Communion  
Sung Eucharist  
Celebration and Licensing of Carlford & Bealings Group

**Great Bealings**

**Little Bealings**

**Otley Church**

**MONDAY 11TH**

2.00 - 3.30 pm

Lent Course

Otley Hall

**TUESDAY 12TH**

12.30 pm

Lent lunch - home made soup and bread

Angela Cobbold Hall

**WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup>**

10.30 am  
7.30-9.00 pm

Holy Communion  
Lent Course

Grundisburgh Parish room

**Culpho**

**THURSDAY 14TH**

9.00 - 10.30am

LTG Diana

Horsenden House

### SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am  
10.00 am  
3.00 pm

### 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Holy Communion  
Sung Eucharist  
Evensong

**Playford**

**Great Bealings**

**Culpho**

**MONDAY 18TH**

2.00 - 3.30pm

Lent Course

Otley Hall

**TUESDAY 19TH**

12.30 pm

Lent lunch - home made soup and bread

Angela Cobbold Hall

**WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup>**

10.30 am  
7.30 - 9.00 pm

Holy Communion  
Lent Course

**Culpho**

## HOLY WEEK and EASTER

*DETAILS OF ALL SERVICES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGE 9*

### APRIL

### SUNDAY 7th

8.00 am  
10.00 am

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion  
Sung Eucharist

**Great Bealings**

**Playford**