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Newsletter

September



to October
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Priestly ponderings ...

We've arrived in September but what a summer we have not had. Did I miss it or was it really as wet as I thought? I am sorry for our farmers who must have been standing on their heads to work out when to harvest. So our harvest festivals may be more important this year than ever before, if they are not too exhausted to attend.

I have watched this celebration of our countryside and the generosity of God sadly become less attended over the past few years. I am sure our farms must celebrate the end to all the hard work that is required to 'safely gather in' their crops. Even if that extends only to a sigh of relief. Our young people have changed the meaning of Harvest too and maybe that has something to do with meals produced in factories rather than in our kitchens. Don't get me wrong, whilst I enjoy the chance to cook from scratch, I am not averse to the odd bought pie or pizza! Our local school at their harvest festival told us about the miles that some of our food travels to get to our door. So it's worth remembering those issues too.

So where does all this leave us in our faith? Well, for me, I guess it reminds me of the simple life. Or the simpler life where roast meat and vegetables was the order of the day. The veg more likely to be in season, when Summer was salad and Winter was warm, cosy foods. A less lavish and more simple way of eating meals.

It always strikes me, when I read both Old and New Testament, that life was simpler then too. Mind you there is nothing new is there? Near starvation, the Jews thanked God for the Manna that was their salvation. I would like to believe that UNICEF/SAVE THE CHILDREN, etc provide manna in a different way but just as important. Harvest in some countries doesn't exist because they are constantly on the 'bread line' and crops fail endlessly because of drought and war.

Jesus used the harvest, sowing and reaping, often in his ministry. He was not talking just about what people would have understood practically but he used these stories to illustrate that 'sowing' – sharing faith, testifying, talking about your story or 'reaping'-leading people to Christ are all important and when we 'harvest the outcomes' everyone benefits.

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especially when we have so much. So it is imperative that we do this, because loving our friends and neighbours is the right sort of harvest, whether we are Christians or not

Heavenly Father, help us to remove our prejudices of race and upbringing; of what part of town a person lives in, or how much money others have; for being narrow and selfish in our outlook. Give us a world vision of the world-wide harvest that you are seeking in our day. Give us eyes to see how great this harvest can be and to volunteer to be your hands and feet on earth today. So that our food becomes working to do your will. That we may find fulfilment in knowing that we do all this in your name. Amen.

Revd Cilla.

Deadline for next Newsletter

All articles and adverts for inclusion in the November to December edition to be with Sue, on **07826 772452** or email: **moomoski@btinternet.com** by **15th October** at the very latest. Please let me have your items written out, or, preferably emailed, as you would like them to appear, and as early as possible, please don't wait until the deadline. **To place an advert please contact Sue on the above number.** All items on behalf of the church have no charge. Any other events or adverts will have a minimal charge. This helps to maintain and develop your newsletter. Contact **Sue** by email here at **moomoski@btinternet.com**

Stamps, foreign coins and banknotes, and postcards, used or new, are still being collected by Sue. All these items can be placed in the 'stamp collection boxes' in most of the churches or directly to me at Bramley House, Benniworth. **07826 772452**

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Prayer Circle

For many years now the ministry and concerns of our Parish have been supported, anonymously, in prayer by a small group of people making up the Parish Prayer Circle. As the needs, both of the Church and World increase, the value and importance of this Ministry of Prayer also increases and we are looking for others to join us in prayer during these troubled and worrying times.

If you think you would like to be part of our Prayer Circle and would like to find out more, please give me a ring and I'll put you in the picture.

In the meantime, if you would like a friend, or a particular situation, to be remembered by our Prayer Circle, do please contact **Sarah 01507 343270** or me **Ann on 01507 313792**

Who's Who in the Group

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Refreshments with Cakes

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Benniworth Parish Council

<https://benniworth.pariah.lincolnshire.gov.uk>



Benniworth Parish Council News

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St Julians Church on Wednesday 16th July can be found on both notice boards and on our Village Website.

At the meeting it was agreed to hold a Village Autumn Gathering on Saturday 21st October from 12 – 2.30pm.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 8th November**.

If you have an issue please attend, use the suggestion box in the bus shelter or contact a councillor. The following are your elected councillors :

Rosie Chetwynd-Talbot : 07813 439123

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Susan Mc Allistair : mcallistair076@gmail.com

Sue Olivant : sueolivant@outlook.com

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Race Night

AT DONINGTON ON BAIN VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 21st October - 7pm start

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Contact Sally on 07930 112369

or Richard Wright 07859 070334 for more details.



Can Anyone Help Please?



I have too many guests for me to accommodate between 21st and 24th December '23 (3 nights).

If anyone in either Ranby, Market Stainton or Goulceby have availability for up to 4 guests for those dates, please could they contact me.

Many thanks for your help. Mel Berry

email : melb54@hotmail.co.uk Mobile: 07710 040627

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Goulceby Events

Our thanks to all those who attended recent events in Goulceby.

Sarah's Garage Sale raised £74.15, and the Coffee Morning, held in the Church, raised £331.12. All proceeds will go to the All Saints Church Restoration fund. Everyone's help, support and donations are much appreciated.

Together with some recent, very generous donations, we are able to continue with the repairs to the church. Our specialist church builder is coming soon to repoint some of the external mortar. This will ensure the church is weatherproof so that we can move onto the next stage of repair; the removal of the internal, crumbling plasterwork. Replastering will take place after a period of drying out.

Future events will be publicised in this Newsletter and around the villages.

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Speeding

Speeding is an issue that the Parish Council takes very seriously. At the meeting on 26 June, the Parish Council resolved to purchase a speed detection gun. We are liaising with a parishioner who has offered to complete some training on using the gun. He has also identified a number of volunteers to help with its use. Once the speed gun system is operating, we will have the data regarding the extent of the speeding issue. The Parish Council has requested, via Lincolnshire County Councillor Marfleet, a review of the speed limits in the village and a 20mph speed limit by the primary school. The Parish Council has also requested the erection of 40mph repeater signs along Station Road.

Parking

As a result of pressure from the Parish Council over a number of years, there is a consultation underway regarding proposed waiting restrictions at the junctions of Main Road and Glebe Close, and Main Road and Chapel Lane. The Parish Council continues to put pressure on Lincolnshire County Council via Cllr Marfleet but progress is slow. If you wish to contact Cllr Marfleet directly regarding speeding or parking in Donington on Bain his contact details are : County Councillor Hugo Marfleet, Tealby, email Cllr.h.marfleet@lincolnshire.gov.uk 01673 838385 or 07432 723604

Cemetery

The Parish Council has noted deterioration of the kerbing around grave 3 (Hughes).

If the family is still in the area, please contact the clerk (tel. 07795822701) or Cllr Beaney to discuss how to address the issue.

Proposals to erect new village signs

The Parish Council is proposing to erect two new village signs. These will be silhouette style in powdered steel. The design concepts have been selected from the competition entries from the children at Donington on Bain Primary School.

MUGA/playground

The moss has been removed from the MUGA, and the surface has been cleaned. The Parish Council is aware of damage to wood boards around the MUGA. Following a consultation with parishioners, an application for grant funding to refurbish the MUGA has been submitted. Whilst the Parish Council is sorry to see the preschool leave the village after so many years, we are delighted to take over its gym trail. Weather permitting, the equipment will be installed in the children's play area in early August.

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18TH 2.00PM & 7.00PM – BOX CLEVER:

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19TH 10.00AM – BOX CLEVER: JEKYLL &

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21ST 7.30PM – MAMA MIA SINGALONG

23RD 7.30PM – LAST NIGHT OF THE

PROMS

24TH 7.30PM – SCRATCH NIGHT

28TH 7.30PM – PRIDE & PREJUDICE

30TH 7.30PM – HANCOCK'S HALF HOUR

OCTOBER

10TH 2.00PM – MOLLY & PAT

AFTERNOON TEA CONCERT

14TH 7.30PM – DAVE SIMPSON TRIO

24TH 1.30PM – HOCUS POCUS 2

26TH 1.00PM – WILL STEELE DRAGON

PUPPET SHOW

26TH 4.00PM – WILL STEELE DRAGON

PUPPET SHOW

27TH 7.30PM – FRANK & SNAKE

28TH 7.30PM – PARADISE LOST

29TH 7.00PM – FRIENDS' BINGO



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Tickets can also be purchased by calling the Box Office

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September: Wednesday 6th 10:30 to 12 noon Coffee and chat + WILLINGHAM WINNER draw

Wednesday 6th 2 to 4 pm 4 p.m. Art & crafts group (call Cecilia 07799156118)

Thursday 7th 11 to 12 noon Tai chi (call Carol 07592071523)

Thursday 14th 11 to 12 noon Tai chi + Qigong class (call Carol 07592071523)

Wednesday 20th 10:30 to 12 noon Coffee and Chat

Thursday 21st 11:00 to 12 noon Tai chi + Qigong class (call Carol 07592071523)

Wednesday 27th 6.50pm. Ballroom Dance group (call Paul 01507 313601)

Thursday 28th 11:00 to 12 noon Tai chi + Qigong class (call Carol 07592071523)

Thursday 28th 2 to 4pm BOARD games afternoon (call Jan 07834598703)

October: Wednesday 4th 10:30 to 12 noon Coffee and chat + WILLINGHAM WINNER draw

Wednesday 4th 2 to 4 pm 4 p.m. Art & crafts group (call Cecilia 07799156118)

Thursday 5th 11 to 12 noon Tai chi (call Carol 07592071523)

Tuesday 10th 7pm for 7:15 start Reel Issues Film evening (call Roland 07946 259053)

Wednesday 11th 6.50pm. Ballroom Dance group (call Paul 01507 313601)

Thursday 12th 11 to 12 noon Tai chi + Qigong class (call Carol 07592071523)

Wednesday 18th 10:30 to 12 noon Coffee and Chat

Thursday 19th 11:00 to 12 noon Tai chi + Qigong class (call Carol 07592071523)

Wednesday 25th 6.50pm. Ballroom Dance group (call Paul 01507 313601)

Thursday 26th 11:00 to 12 noon Tai chi + Qigong class (call Carol 07592071523)

Future events: Detailed posters and flyers will be circulated nearer the date.

November 24th Quiz, raffle & fish chips supper. January 26 th 2024 1970's themed evening: bring a dish of 70's popular style food to share, 70's disco (70's fashion clothes optional)!

March 8th 2024 Quiz & sausage mash supper.



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Horncastle Theatre Company are delighted to invite you to their next production, 'Hospitals and Hospitality', performance dates, 6-9 September. Book your tickets at www.horncastletheatre.co.uk/book-tickets

"Plaster" "Keeping Mum" and "Waiting" are taken from Visiting Hour by Richard Harris Set in a fictitious hospital during the late 1980's, a sweet and sour mixture of emotions laced with a heavy serving of humour. Based loosely around the visitors the patients receive the sharply observed characters are all larger than life and often hilariously funny.

Taken from "Alarms and Excursions" "Immobiles" and "Doubles" are two playlets in which we see the players embark on a voyage of misadventure and miscommunication, one by one, labour saving devices and even furniture become hostile. Doubles sees two couples having problems in adjacent hotel rooms. Immobiles, is acted out entirely over the phone as a couple try to decide where they should meet their German guests: Gatwick or Heathrow



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Saturday 4th November - from 2 to 4pm



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There have been no Parish Council meetings since the last newsletter was published so there is no new Council business to report.

However, in other news: Horncastle Road, Goulceby - Closure. The Horncastle Road closure has been extended to 30th November (2023) to allow for remedial works to be carried out.

Fast fibre broadband - Residents of Goulceby will have seen swarms of technicians from a company called Quickline in the village recently. Quickline have just completed a full fast fibre installation across the village which will provide fast broadband connection speeds at around 100mbps. Being in receipt of Government grants, the company is rolling out fast broadband to more rural areas which traditionally only have very low broadband speeds. This new fast broadband should be available from around the beginning of November once commissioning and testing has been completed. Quickline are offering the first three months connection free for new customers. In addition to this, if customers have a contract with an existing provider which does not expire for some time, the company will provide the fast broadband "Free until you're free". This basically means that they will provide the connection free until customers' existing contracts expire.

More information can be found at <https://quickline.co.uk/> or direct contact can be made with the Quickline representative Kai.greening@quickline.co.uk, mobile 07512 331184,

Update on the restoration of All Saints Church, Goulceby

A successful coffee morning was held by the Friends of Goulceby Church in July, when over £300 was raised. This, together with some very generous donations, has allowed work to continue on making the church weathertight. The roof and gutter systems have been repaired, and repointing of the external walls is due to take place in August. Fundraising will continue to allow replastering and rewiring internally. An Art and Craft exhibition is planned in the church in September, which will be advertised locally.

Up and coming local events :

- Scamblesby Hill Climb – Sunday 3rd September
- Wragby Show – Sunday 3rd September

Parish Council Meeting - The next scheduled Parish Council meeting is Monday 2nd October 2023 and will be held at the Three Horseshoes at 7.30pm.

ALUMINIUM CANS WANTED

I am collecting used aluminium cans towards raising funds to join a World Challenge in Mozambique 2025.

If you are able to help me by putting your used drinks cans in the black bin labelled 'cans' at the various collection points Silver Street, Benniworth next to Benniworth bus stop, outside Seymour House, next to the pub in Goulceby and TW Produce in Donington on Bain



It would be greatly appreciated!

They will be emptied frequently.

Many thanks, Polly

News from the Dog Show in Benniworth in July

Over a £1000 was raised, after expenses of around £500.

So grateful for everybody turning up on a very windy day! Thankfully the rain held off until the bitter end.

A huge THANK YOU to all the volunteers, these things can't run without them. Well done to everybody in the awards but mostly I hope everybody enjoyed themselves.

It was a first for us.

A huge THANK YOU to the sponsors ...

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Donations for the Horncastle Food Bank and the raffle welcome

For further details contact Cilla, Priest in Charge on 07798 695950
rev.cilla2@btinternet.com

or Caroline 01507 343352 carolinetaylor@btinternet.com

Asterby Parish Services

Date	Location	Service	Time
3rd September	St Julian's Church, Benniworth	Morning Praise	10.00am
5th September	St. Andrew's Church, Donington on Bain	Celtic Morning Praise	9.30am
10th September	St Helen's Church Burgh on Bain	Communion	10am
17th September	St. Andrew's Church, Donington on Bain	Morning Praise	10am
24th September	St Martin's Church, Scamblesby	Communion	10am

Events and Harvests at a glance

Date	Location	Service	Time
2nd September	Village Hall, Donington on Bain	Let's Go Lego	10.30am
7th September	Village Hall, Donington on Bain	Coffee, cake and Chat	10.30am
9th to 10th September	All Churches	Open Churches Festival	
9th to 10th September	All Saints Church, Goulceby	Arts and Crafts Exhibition	10am to 5pm
12th September	All Saints Church, Goulceby and The Three Horseshoes	Harvest Festival	7pm
14th September	St German's Church, Ranby	Harvest Festival	7pm
24th September	St Julian's Church, Benniworth	Harvest Festival	6pm
29th September	St Martin's Church, Scamblesby	Harvest Festival	7pm

South Wolds Group Office - Tel: 01507 525600

Based in St Mary's Church, Horncastle.

Weddings, baptisms and funerals can be arranged in the first instance by calling the **South Wolds Group Administrator, Debbie Knight**

on **01507 525600** between 9.15 am and 2.15 pm Monday to Friday.

At other times, messages will be recorded on voicemail

You can also email Debbie here : SWGAdministrator@stmaryshorncastle.org.uk

Specific matters relating to St Mary's Church should be directed to the **Verger on 01507 525600** www.asterbygroup.org

Asterby Parish Services

Date	Location	Service	Time
1st October	St Julian's Church, Benniworth	Communion	10am
3rd October	St. Andrew's Church, Donington on Bain	Celtic Morning Praise	9.30am
8th October	St. Helen's Church Burgh on Bain	Harvest Festival	10am
15th October	St. Andrew's Church, Donington on Bain	Communion	10am
22nd October	St Martin's Church, Scamblesby	Morning Praise	10am
29th October	St German's Church, Ranby	Grp Communion	10am

Events and Harvests at a glance

Date	Location	Service	Time
1st October	St Peter's Church, Gayton Le Wold	Harvest Festival	3pm
5th October	Village Hall, Donington on Bain	Coffee Cake and Chat	10.30am
6th October	St. Andrew's Church, Donington on Bain	Harvest Festival	7pm
7th October	Village Hall, Donington on Bain	Let's Go Lego	10.30am
8th October	St Helen's Church Burgh on Bain	Harvest Festival	10am
22nd October	St. Nicholas Church, Stenigot	Harvest Festival	3pm



29 Oct 2023 - Daylight Saving Time Ends

Sunday, 29 October 2023, 2am clocks are turned backward 1 hour to

Sunday, 29 October 2023, 1:00am local standard time instead.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on 29 Oct 2023 than the day before