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**The Revd Simon Richardson will become
Licensed and Installed as our new Priest
-in Charge on 3rd November—He has
sent Greetings to you all**



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Happy Guy Fawkes Day !



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For the time being, all the Church buildings will remain closed
apart from Services and the provisions listed below:
East Harling Church will be opened for private, individual prayer each
Monday and Friday 10.00am to 3.00pm
and **Larling Church** will be open for private, individual prayer every day
10.00am to 4.00pm

ALL CHANGE!

We are pleased to welcome our new Priest in Charge, the Rev'd Simon Richardson, who will be installed in post on
Wednesday 3rd November 2021 at 7.00pm in East Harling Parish Church.

From that date the 'old' Harling Benefice will be part of a larger Benefice (group of Parishes)
which include Garboldisham, Blo'Norton, Riddlesworth and East Wretham.

Changes will have to be made regarding the times and frequency of Services in individual churches.

Included below are details we have at the time of going to press. These may be changed and are only for the
churches in the Harling area. Details for other parishes will be published in their existing Parish magazines.

Look out for notices of any changes on social media (FaceBook – Harling Matters or St Peter & St Paul Church),

Notices around the villages, on the Church porch Notice boards, or contact your local Church Wardens.

~ Welcome to our Services in November 2021 ~

Date	East Harling	Bridgham	Larling	Brettenham
SUNDAY 7 th November	11.00 am Holy Communion		NOTE CHANGED TIMES	
THURSDAY 11 th November	11.00am Act of Remembrance Memorial Green	11.00am Act of Remembrance War Memorial		
SUNDAY 14 th November REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	9.45am Service of Remembrance moving to Memorial Green for 11.00am	3.00pm Service of Remembrance	10.45am Service of Remembrance	
SUNDAY 21 st November	10.30am All Age Family Service 6.30pm Harling Praise (at Methodist Church)	11.00am Service of the Word		
ADVENT SUNDAY 28 th November	9.30am Holy Communion		Morning Prayer 11.00 am	3.00pm Carol Service

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7th November Mrs Jane Mottram	6.30pm
14th November Mrs Jane Mottram	6.30pm
21st November Harling Praise at Methodist Church	
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28th November Mr Pat Mottram	6.30pm

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Christmas Services:

The following Services are being planned for Christmas. Please see next month's CONTACT for final details:

Advent Sunday 28th November: Carols at Brettenham at 3.00pm
Harling: 19th December: 9 Lessons and Carols time to be arranged.
Christmas Eve: Christingle and Crib Service 4.00pm
Midnight Mass 11.15pm

Bridgham: 19th December: Christingle Service 11.00am
Christmas Eve: First Mass of Christmas 8.00pm

Larling: 22nd December: Carols by Candlelight 7.30pm

PARISH RECORDS**BAPTISMS**

Welcomed into the Church family in October were:

Jacob Duclayan: Baptised 17th October 2021 in East Harling Church.

Dorothy Adams: Baptised 23rd October 2021 in Bridgham Church.

FLOODLIGHTING**November 2021**

3rd Joyful welcome to our new Priest-in-Charge **Simon Richardson** whose licensing and installation takes place in East Harling Church this evening. With very best wishes from the Wardens of the Churches of East Harling with West Harling, Bridgham with Roudham, Larling, Brettenham, Wretham with Illington, Riddlesworth, Blo' Norton and Garboldisham.

9th For **George and Hilda Cole**; we thank you for the wonderful memories. With love from Val, Katherine and Stuart.

Requests to sponsor the floodlighting of East Harling Church should be posted/delivered to: The Rev'd Varlie Sheldrake, 12 Kemp's Barns, East Harling. NR16 2TS
Please include the date and add your name and contact number in case of any queries. Donation of minimum £5/night should be enclosed (cheques payable to East Harling PCC please).

Details of sponsorship are posted in the church porch but can only be recorded in *CONTACT* if requests are received before the 12th day of the preceding month.

Thank you to all who sponsor the floodlighting of East Harling Church

**FROM 'BIG C' TO NORTH SEA
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September 2021**

Pat Mottram wishes to say a big **THANK YOU** to all who have supported him in this venture, with sponsor money, practical support, and with their prayers.

Pat was able to complete the 46 miles in four sections, spread over ten days. The money raised (which is still coming in) has been amazing, and is well into four figures. It will help greatly towards the planned new kitchen for East Harling Methodist Chapel.

**Christmas Greetings
In CONTACT**

As in previous years, we give you the opportunity to send your Seasonal Greetings to friends and neighbours in these villages through CONTACT.

*If you would like to do this, please send your message (short, max 20 words) in writing to the Rev'd V. Sheldrake, 12 Kemp's Barns, East Harling together with a donation of £5 (please make cheques payable to the PCC of the Parish Church you are supporting) by **Monday 12th November** to allow time for them to be printed in the December edition. Sorry but messages delivered after this date may not be included.*

This is for the whole Benefice.

Please do not send Phone messages. Emails are fine provided your donation is received and clearly marked before the deadline. We look forward to hearing from you!
 Editor

Dear Friends



It is an immense pleasure to write my first contribution to Contact! I am, of course, writing this before I am actually licensed, so it's a bit of an opportunity to say something before I actually am Priest-in-Charge.

One of my main thoughts at the moment is just how unexpected it all still seems. Just over a year ago, I had stepped away from full-time ministry, with the plan of training to be a teacher ... but I have found myself drawn back as events have unfolded. Two thoughts have occurred to me in this time that I'm going to share with you. The first is that I have changed since I was last a Vicar

- and this is a good thing! The second is that God has not - and that is an infinitely better one.

I look back at the last few years of ministry, and I know that I had become a kind of Vicar machine ... not necessarily a bad thing, but definitely not a full, alive human being. Jesus says in John 10, 'I came that [the sheep] may have life and have it abundantly.' I truly believe, and have preached it often enough, that God has given us a life that should be lived in abundance, with great joy, love, sacrifice, hard work and all the wonderful things that make life worthwhile. But we all sometimes struggle ... and certainly I did. I think, in all honesty, that I had become too focused on the Church, ironically. But working at Acorn Park School, and particularly spending so much time with the wonderful students has made me look in other places - and reminded me that God made all things, not just the Church. And I've also been reminded just how much people really do need to know that they are loved, and have infinite value, just because God has made them. So I am re-learning to be the human that God made me, and am also re-learning the beauty and value of each person I get to share my life with. I am really hopeful and trusting that together we can show our communities that life with God is good and joyful!

And I've been reminded of the everlasting love and faithfulness of God. I have taught a lot of RE to young people who have no foundation at all in the Christian faith. One of the biggest struggles they have is the idea of there being no limit to God ... God is all-powerful, all-loving, beyond time and so much more merciful than we can imagine. Because of the students I have been working with, who are autistic, seeing young people whose whole lives are defined by limitation (because that's what society does to them) grapple with even the idea of a Heavenly Father who accepts and loves them unconditionally has been painful - but hopeful too. I know that at every low point of life - and every high one too - God has been with me and so I can always face the next day and what it brings. Not because of my strength or skills, but because my God will always be the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. And this is your God too. I hope you know how world-changing your Christian faith can and should be, and if you don't I hope I'll be able to convince you! Either way - am so excited to come among you and share this faith and hope.

These things are true for you too; you can always change, and embrace life more and more fully. And your God is always ever-loving, ever-present, ever-forgiving. So even though I am still surprised to be your new Priest - how could I be anything but excited!

Looking forward to meeting you all soon,

Simon.

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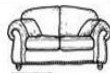
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The two contacts are Gary Yardley, Standard Bearer (gary.yardley1@outlook.com) & Liz Mould (07941546814).

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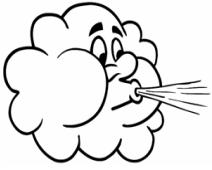


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and keep himself warm
and tuck his head under his wing – poor thing!*

Borders: A good time to dig out new beds and borders. Weed several times before planting new shrubs, trees and perennials.

Lawns: Raise the blades on your mower a notch and cut as necessary. Brush any worm casts (a sign of a healthy soil) to spread before mowing.

Trees and shrubs including roses: a good month to plant bare root plants – these can be purchased and planted up until early March. Stake trees to prevent rocking – **there will be wind.**

Cuttings: Hardwood cuttings of shrubs and trees, and shrub roses can be taken.



Plant: Plant or move shrubs, trees and hedging. Keep watered if necessary until mother nature takes over – **there will be dry spells**

Perennials: Planting and splitting of perennials

Dahlias: If you have Harling soil(?) this is one of the few times it comes into its own. Cut dahlias back, mark with a cane and forget

about them until the majority reappear in spring.

If you are in one of the parishes where the ground gets waterlogged over winter you may have to consider digging up and storing the corms in damp sand or compost in a frost – free (not hot) place until February. Then they can be planted out again.

Short biennials: Don't let them get covered with fallen leaves

Bulbs: Plant tulips. Check potted bulbs planted in September, and move any that are ready to a greenhouse, cold frame or cool room

Vegetables: Continue to harvest whatever is ready. Plant individual garlic cloves 3cm deep and 15cm apart.

Rhubarb: Dig up old woody crowns after the leaves fall and split (you may need an axe or a saw for older crowns). Make sure there is at least one bud on each section that you replant. Dig compost or manure into the ground before replanting



Fruit Trees: Begin winter pruning of established fruit trees and bushes (not stone fruit).

Seeds: There will be a few days when even the hardiest amongst us prefer to stay inside. That is a good time to browse the seed catalogues (either hard copy or on the internet). Be wary of listings on E-bay and if tempted PLEASE check first that they are UK originating seeds – many of the diseases affecting well known plants and trees have come in from abroad -Dutch Elm disease, Ash die-back, Horse Chestnut canker to name but a few. Essential for your garden and those around you! A healthy garden needs healthy seeds and root stock. Always buy from a reputable supplier.

Good Gardening

Kevin



Community Garden update October 21

I hope you are all still enjoying the colour in the garden which has survived despite the recent heavy rain & strong winds.



It's hard to believe that 12 months ago this area was just a green patch, the rubbish & overgrown shrubs having been cleared In July 2020.

The Beginnings!

In October 2020, despite Covid restrictions, a small group of hard working volunteers got together to turn the area into a garden for residents to enjoy and which would also attract insects, bees and butterflies.



Garden on Opening Day

Despite the hard work by the volunteers the garden wouldn't have happened without the generous donations of plants, bulbs, trellis, old sleepers, tyres, soil, bark and money and we would like to express our grateful thanks to all who have

donated. We are also very grateful to Jo & Laurence at the Peppers Tea room for the use of their hose pipe to water the garden when it wasn't raining!

On September 11th this year the garden was officially opened by the Chair of Breckland Council who attended with his wife and many hardy residents braving the rain. A decision had been made to dedicate the garden to the memory of David Gee who had served as Parish Clerk for 40 years & was himself a very keen gardener. He had also lived for many years at Hanworth House which is next to the garden and we are sure he would have been a very keen and willing volunteer probably organising us all!!



We were very pleased that his widow Pat and his 3 daughters were able to attend the short ceremony of dedication.

Pat Gee widow of David Gee and her daughters



On Thursday 16th September, the Clerk & 5 volunteers attended an award ceremony in Dereham having been given an award by CPRE (Council for the Protection of Rural

England) in the category of Rural Living. There were 2 nominations in this category & we were awarded a ***Highly Commended***.

We will continue to develop the garden and would welcome more volunteers to join us. For those on Social media we can be found on the East Harling Community Garden Facebook page or there is often someone working on the garden on a Saturday.



Thanks to Liz Mould for the article and the photos – Editor



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EAST HARLING GARDENING CLUB



Oh' it is good to be back to relative normality.

We had a very informative talk when Ken from The Enclosure at Banham came along on 12th. October; he was so knowledgeable about all the plants that he had brought with him we should all know now which plants suit different aspects. There was a good crowd around afterwards to buy the lovely plants so our thanks must go to Ken for bringing so many and sharing his knowledge.

The Committee would like to thank everyone who turned up - it makes it all worth while to know that East Harling is a village that has gardening and all that it entails at its heart. We hope lots more people will join this interesting Club and we can all move forward into the future with plans for holidays, visits etc.

If you are unsure whether you will enjoy these meeting just come along for one evening, pay your £3.00 and give it a try. Don't forget this Club welcomes gardeners from all nearby villages as well as East Harling.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th. November at 7.30pm when we will have Laura showing us the art of Christmas table decorations. This will be followed by raffle of exhibits. Look out for the posters around the village.

It is that time of year again!

A Christmas lunch at the Nags Head will be held on 14th. December at 12.30pm for 1pm. Cost will be £18.00 per person, numbers will be limited so unfortunately it will be first come first served so please if you are interested let Mary know as soon as possible. Tel: 717193

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2 large eggs
zest of another ½ lemon
80 g (3 oz) sugar
50ml (1.75 fluid oz) olive or rapeseed oil
90g (3 oz) ground almonds
1 tsp gf baking powder (most baking powder is gluten free, but check ingredients)

For the drizzle:

15g sugar
juice of ½ lemon

Method

Put the lemon in a pan and cover with water. Boil until tender.

Remove from pan and leave until cool. Cut in half and remove pips. Liquidise the whole lemon, including rind.

Mix the eggs, lemon zest and sugar in a bowl. Add the oil and beat until well mixed.

Add the liquidised lemon and stir well.

Mix the ground almonds and baking powder then stir into the bowl.

Tip into the baking tin and level.

Cook for about 40 minutes until a skewer comes out clean. It will have shrunk away from the sides slightly.

Leave to cool in the tin

Make several small holes in the cake with a fork and pour on the syrup.

Allow to cool before removing from tin

Syrup

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Graham Jubb (Mr Football) I am sure I need not make introductions; Graham has been associated with grass roots football since the 60s, what an example Graham is! He has served the Anglian Combination through many difficult times, and as Chairman over the last 20 years, Graham has always steered the ship through the storm and out the other side. Serving the League since 1993, none of us can remember Graham missing a meeting let alone a game over the weekend. Graham I thank you for all that you have given, without you the League would not be in the fine condition it is now. I also congratulate you on your new role as President, where myself, all the Officers and Committee can continue to learn from you, as you continue to guide the League and all that are part of it.



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Harling Women's Conservative Group

We're back! Luncheon meeting – Wednesday, 24th November, 12 noon, Hill Harling Farm (bkio Mrs Elizabeth Kemp). Partners and friends invited. New faces very much welcomed – please ring Elizabeth Kemp on 717253.

The Friends of East Harling Parish Church Christmas Card Competition Results

We are delighted to announce the winners of our first Christmas Card Competition. Congratulations to under 11 Years joint entry **Annie Dennis** and **Samuel Filby**, and under 8 years **Elsie Taylor**.

Cards (in packs of 5) may be purchased from various locations within the village. Fr further details see our notice in the church porch, or details on our facebook page, or via email eastharlingchurchfriends@gmail.com, or by phone 717253 or 718777 .

The Friends of East Harling Parish Church, who we are and what we do.

The charity was formed on 21st May 1980, to support the PCC, to maintain, preserve and improve the fabric and furnishing of the Church.

We have held various fundraising events over the years and continue to do so.

We welcome new members and further details can be obtained by filling in your name on the notice in the church porch, via our face book page-Friends of East Harling Church or email eastharlingchurchfriends@gmail.com or telephone 01953 718777

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DIARY DATES 2021

For fundraising events, outings etc. in the parishes in the Harling United Benefice. Full details appear in the magazine

NOVEMBER 2021

- 1st E H Methodist Chapel Monday Craft Café
10 – 12noon
- 2nd Film Club OSH 7 for 7.30pm
- 3rd Bridgham Village Hall Wed Social 11-1pm
- 6th Community Café East Harling Church 10-12 noon
- 9th Gardening Club OSH 7.30pm
- 10th OSH Coffee Morning OSH 10-12noon
- 14th Remembrance Sunday Exhibition in lieu of VE Day Celebration
- 15th E H Methodist Chapel Monday Craft Café 10-12
- 17th Bridgham Village Hall Wed Social 11-1pm
- 23rd East Harling Parish Council OSH 7.30pm
- 27th Bridgham Church Coffee Morning

DECEMBER 2021

- 1st Bridgham Village Hall Wed Social 11-1pm
- 4th Community Café East Harling Church 10-12 noon
- 4th OSH Christmas Light Switch on and Xmas Market
- 7th Film Club OSH 7.30pm
- 8th OSH Coffee Morning 10-12noon OSH
- 8th-10 E H Church Christmas Tree Decoration
- 10th E H Church Christmas Tree festival open 4pm-8pm
- 11th E H Church Christmas Tree festival open 4pm-7pm
- 12th E H Church Christmas Tree festival open 4pm-7pm
- 13th - E H Church Christmas Tree Festival open 4pm-7pm
- 14th E H Church Christmas Tree Festival open 4pm-7pm
- 15th Bridgham Village Hall Wed Social 11-1pm
- 16th E H Church Christmas Tree festival open 4pm-7pm
- 17th E H Church Christmas Tree festival open 4pm – 8pm
- 18th E H Church Christmas Tree festival open 4pm – 7pm
- 19th E H Church Christmas Tree festival open after the Carol Service, times to be confirmed



Community Café

SATURDAY 4th December

**We are back so
come and join us!**

East Harling Church 10am-12.00 noon

Coffee, tea and soft drinks will be served all morning. You will find a warm welcome, the opportunity to chat with neighbours and friends, to sample some delicious home-made cakes and browse the second hand book stall.

Everyone Welcome!

EAST HARLING CHURCH NR16 2NA

Christmas Tree Festival of Light



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Church Open Friday 10th December 4pm - 8pm

Saturday 11th December 4pm—7pm

Thursday, 16th December 4pm - 7pm,

Friday, 17th December 4pm - 8pm,

Saturday, 18th December 4pm - 7pm & the final day,

Sunday, 19th December after the Carol Service

(times to be confirmed).

Tuesday 7th December FILM CLUB

In Harling Old School Hall

Film starts at 7.30 pm

Open at 7.15pm for sale of crisps,
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