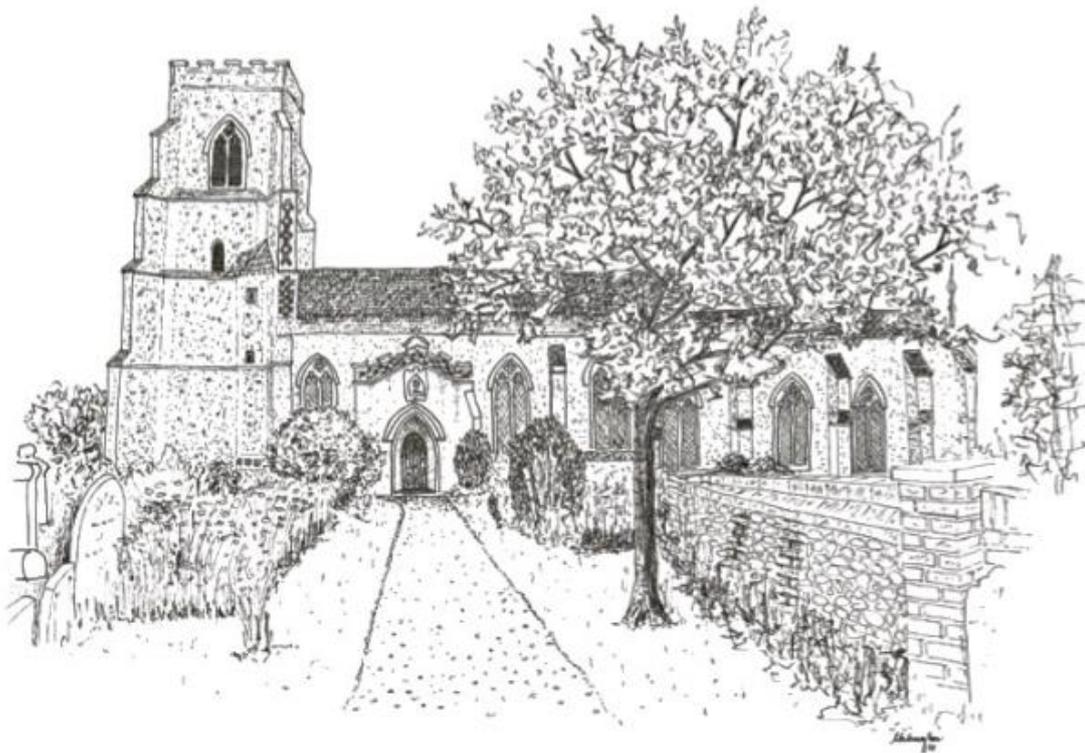


Buxhall Broadcast



October 2020

Church Services for October 2020

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Associate Priest: The Revd Canon Pauline Higham, The Rectory, Woodland Close,
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Services in churches

To facilitate safe seating arrangements, numbers may need to be limited. Please book with the churchwardens or clergy if you would like to attend. Precautions against coronavirus transmission will be in place. Face coverings must be worn. The precautions may change as the regulations and best practice are modified.

If the weather is fine the afternoon services may be in the churchyards. Please bring your own chair to these services.

4 October: Trinity 17, Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Ex. 20.1-4,7-9,12-20; Psalm 19; Isa. 5.1-7; Psalm 80.9-17; Phil. 3.4b-14; Matt. 21.33-46*
11.00 am Holy Communion Buxhall
3.00 pm Evening Prayer Little Finborough

11 October: Trinity 18, Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Ex. 32.1-14; Psalm 106.1-6,19-23; Isa. 25.1-9; Psalm 23; Phil. 4.1-9; Matt. 22.1-14*
11.00 am Holy Communion Combs
3.00 pm Evening Prayer Shelland

18 October: Trinity 19, St. Luke the Evangelist, 19th Sunday after Trinity

*Ex. 33.12-23; Psalm 99; Isa. 45.1-7; Psalm 96.1-9[10-13]; 1 Thess. 1.1-10; Matt. 22.15-22
or Isa. 35.3-6 or Acts 16.6-12a; Psalm 147.1-7; 2 Tim. 4.5-17; Lk. 10.1-9*
11.00 am Holy Communion Great Finborough
3.00 pm Evening Prayer Onehouse

25 October: Trinity 20, Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Deut. 34.1-12; Ps. 90.1-6(13-17); Lev. 9.1-2,15-18; Ps. 1; 1 Thess. 2.1-8; Matt. 22.34-46
11.00 am Holy Communion Combs
3.00 pm Evening Worship Harleston

1 November: Kingdom 1, All Saints' Day

Revelation 7.9-17; Psalm 34.1-10; 1 John 3.1-3; Matthew 5.1-12
11.00 am **Remembering the Dear Departed** Combs *Special readings*
3.00 pm Evening Prayer Little Finborough

Services on-line

The following services will be held by Zoom meeting. Please contact the Revd Chris Childs on revcchilds@aol.com if you would like details of how to join these services.

Sunday	9.30am	Spiritual Communion
Wednesdays and Saturdays	10.00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	4.00pm	Bible Study

Please join us for our worship in person or on-line. All are welcome.

Buxhall and Great Finborough Over 60s

Candlestick Club

The year 2020 hasn't been a good year for our little club. The final meeting we were hoping to have, the Christmas dinner, has now been cancelled by the caterers. Because of the restrictions of this horrible disease, COVID-19, we are unable to meet together.

We will keep you all informed about what us going on but in the meantime:

Stay alert, stay safe and stay well.

Keith (736598)

Remembering the Dear Departed

1 November 2020

11.00am St Mary's, Combs

This has been a particularly difficult year for many and so we have chosen the church with the largest safe seating capacity to hold the service.

Invitations are being sent to all who have lost loved ones recorded in our Registers over the past year, BUT ALL ARE WELCOME and there will be an opportunity to leave a personal memory rather than lighting a candle.

Otherwise please ask. **Booking in is essential**—please email the Revd Alison Lay at alidivineone@gmail.com and let her know the number in your 'bubble' by Thursday 29 October or phoning either Rectory (see p4).

The Annual Church Sponsored Ride and Stride September 2020



Many thanks to Gill Ling, David and Lesley Steed and Nick and Rebecca Nelson who represented Buxhall on Saturday 12 September.

This year the day was rather different due to Covid-19. Our 30 visitors signed themselves in on the sheet and unfortunately we were unable to offer any refreshments.

Hopefully, next year things will resume as normal.

Next month I hope to be able to give details of how much money we raised.

Joanna Gray



St Mary's Parish Church contacts

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From Combs Rectory

As I write in mid September, I hear murmurings about what we can do for McMillan Coffee Mornings, Remembering our dear departed ones and Remembrance Sunday. I know neighbouring parishes are planning their outdoor Christmas services and Onehouse ministers have come up with a plan already. All these things are designed to help us bring some normality back to our lives so suddenly curtailed six months ago and still uncertain. We are designed to live 'in community' and we miss others physical presence and life events. That is 'normality'.

We have heard enough that the church is the people not the building. That's just as well, as sadly all but Shelland and Combs remain locked. But when the 'people' can't meet, where is the church? It remains of course in the faith of individuals but that needs to be fostered and encouraged and shown through being with one another – lest the flame of faith is extinguished. Individual acts of kindness and charity have been very much to the fore, but I wonder if some haven't already lost the habit of church attendance or engagement?

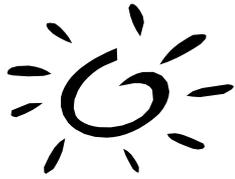
The inability to physically meet has been a great loss to many people and the Bible that Christians are meant to meet together physically, to hear and consider the Scriptures, to pray, to 'break bread' and to share fellowship. So how are we maintaining 'normality'? Fortunately we have two physical services each Sunday and it is good that we are achieving nearly 50 people from across the parishes, though our meetings are restricted with little traditional fellowship and no singing.

Much has been done to facilitate worship through technology and our numbers remain remarkably high on line – over 50 and several remain doing so because they can sing and like the fellowship Zoom is providing that can't be allowed in church building. Zoom is with us for a long time, perhaps for ever in some way. Our enormous gratitude goes to Lisa Hicks of Shelland, Maggie Vincent of Great Finborough and Andy Little of Combs for their talent and work to facilitate it.

Our Bible Readings set for 6 September lead me to remember that the Law of God is the Law of Love and however much we might come to understand the Law of Love by the written word, prayer and long 'membership' of the church, we also remember that ultimately God didn't reveal himself as written word or to a few people living alone. God chose to become incarnate with us – enfleshed, if you like, and many believe he is especially present to them in the Holy Communion. He is a God who came as one of us into community and lived in community. Let us hope and pray that we can soon be together again in all our activities and worship. In the meantime please join us in one or other way – to keep our lamp of faith burning as brightly as it can. *With prayers and all good wishes, Chris.*

PS If it sounds a bit like the start of Christmas, well – you heard it here at the same time as B & M stocked their shelves with their Christmas Fayre (apparently.)

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A little bit of History



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When I first started in September 2000, we were only open two mornings a week, a few years later we went to three mornings and then up to five. Then eventually with the support of a new committee and chairperson we opened four full days and Friday mornings.

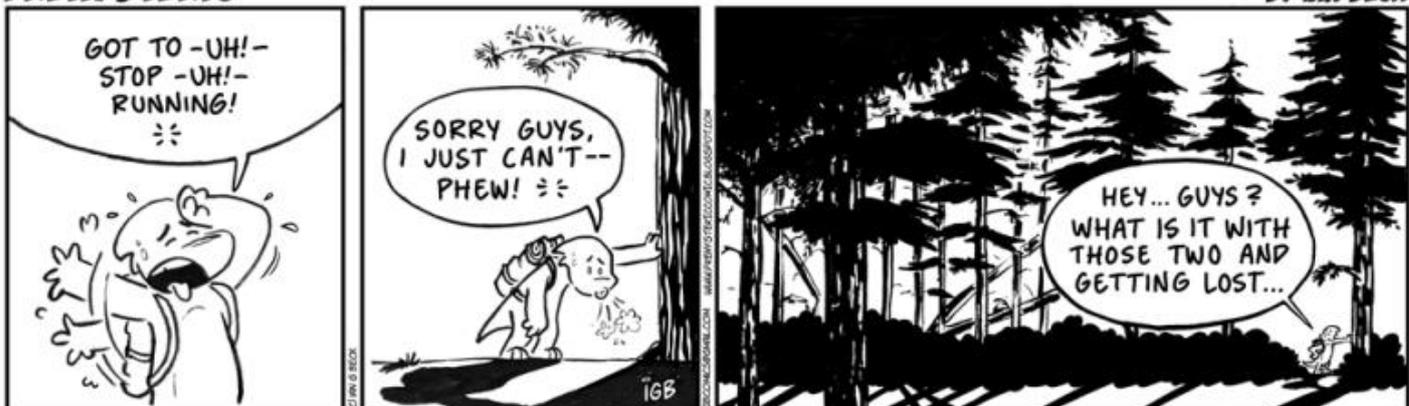
We haven't looked back since, we have gone from strength to strength, had many different families come through our doors. Only the other day I was talking to a parent of a child I had back in 2000 telling me how they were getting on, was wonderful to still have that connection even if it made me feel a little old.

Over the years we have had our ups and downs, but this year will certainly stand out as the most challenging year of all. The children have adapted brilliantly to new routines, especially all the hand washing. The room may look a little sparse, but we are still learning and engaging in fun activities. We are keeping our daily numbers a little lower than usual and our books are now full, but you are welcome to put your child's name on our waiting list. These challenging times are a learning curve for us all, but I want to thank my staff and the preschool committee for all their support over the last six months, we will get through this together.

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Cabinet agrees to loan to cover costs of Lowestoft Third Crossing

The Cabinet has given final approval for the Lowestoft Lake Lothing Third Crossing and revealed that the name of the new bridge will be “Gull Wing Lowestoft”. It is expected that construction work will begin in Spring 2021. However, the cost of the bridge is now much higher than originally estimated. The report prepared for Cabinet estimated that the total cost of delivering the bridge is £126.75m, with an additional £19m contingency for any unforeseen risks. The original estimate was £91.73m. To fund the building of the bridge, Suffolk County Council will spend £6.9m of its own money, receive £73.39m of funding from the Department of Transport and borrow up to £64.96m.

Update on school transport arrangements for September

Suffolk County Council has confirmed that it will initially not be offering spare seats on school transport. This is due to social distancing requirements, which have reduced the capacity on school buses. However, parents may be able to apply for a spare seat from October half term.

The council has also confirmed the arrangements for masks and social distancing on school transport. The rules vary depending on the type of transport used:

- Dedicated closed routes (vehicle carries only school children) – social distancing will not apply; face coverings are recommended for children aged 11+
- Shared routes (most passengers are pupils, but may be some members of the public) – pupils should observe social distancing guidelines with members of the public but they can sit next to members of their family or school, face coverings are mandatory unless a child is exempt from wearing one
- Public transport – social distancing will apply; face coverings are mandatory unless a child is exempt from wearing one

Children’s Centres

Following the cabinet meeting last week, I am hopeful to call this in as there were numerous facts not included, including the number of uses in Thurston library and community centre. *Cont. p13*

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Burial of Ashes

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Great Finborough

Funeral

Trevor Bernard WASPE 28 August 2020
Died 11 August 2020, aged 90.

Harleston

Marriage

Brennan Robert BUTLER and Bethany Rose PEPPER 29 August 2020

Onehouse

Funeral

Ruth ABBS 25 August 2020
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Burial of Ashes

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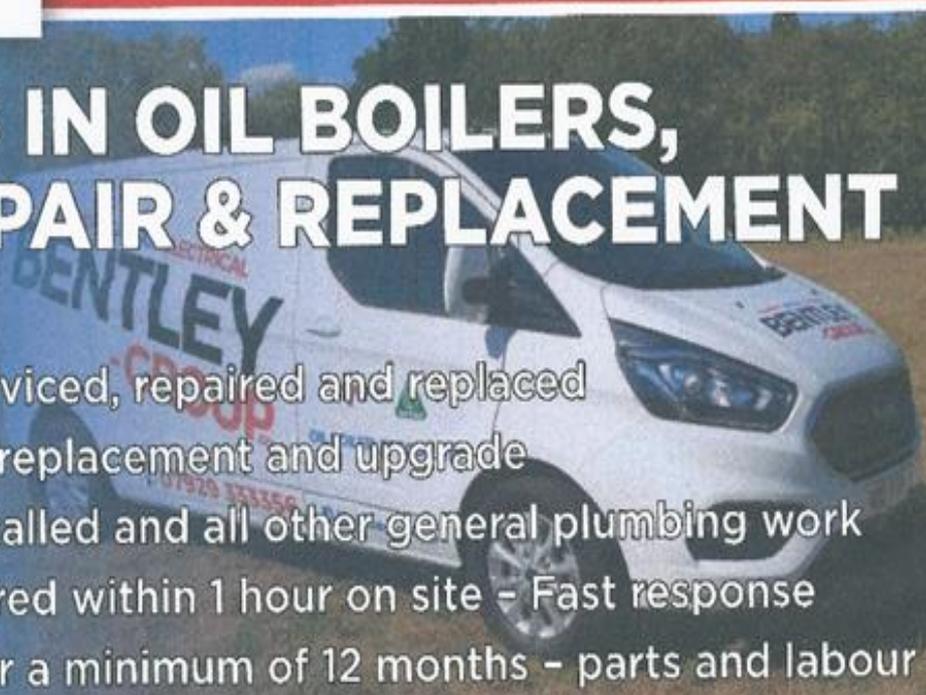
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As the aim was evangelism, and we wanted families to know God is love, we decided to hide ten large hearts which would lead to the treasure of five Bible stories. We provided sealed craft packs for each child, and devised a competition with prizes to encourage families to stay in contact with us.

The children loved it! We had approximately 60 children visit over the two weeks, some even came twice!

The little ones loved hunting for golden coins, and I am assured some of their treasure even made it home!

***Cont from p 9* Bus service from Hadleigh**

I am pleased that this has now been saved, having used some locality fund to help. This service can be booked by phoning 01473 826242, however due to social distancing only six people can be taken each time

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Great Finborough and District Garden Club

The weather has been such as to keep us on our toes, it has been a very dry and sunny summer, lovely really, with the resulting heavy labour of watering to keep pots and vegetables alive and producing. Now that the autumn is here the time has come to start the autumn tidy up of the beds (when the rain finally arrives to soften the ground), tidy/prune and feed those specimens remaining and to plan the spring bulb displays.

As of writing we are still able to hold meetings but, due to the restrictions imposed on us all by COVID, we are limited in numbers and places will need to be booked in advance.

Please do this by email to judith.e.cameron@btinternet.com or telephone to 672978, by the Monday prior to the meeting. Any changes will be notified to members by e-mail.

The report from the AGM, which took place on 17 September, will be in the next magazine.

The next meeting will be on 8 October at the usual time of 7.30pm in the Main Hall of the Pettward Hall, and will feature David Page from the road side stall on Combs Lane who is coming to tell us about vegetable growing, and if you have seen the size of his cauliflowers recently he knows his stuff.

Finally, if you are interested in joining the garden club or would like to join us for any event you will be very welcome. Membership is only £15.00 per household per year payable in September, or £2.50 for an individual session. For further information contact Judith Cameron on 672978 or judith.e.cameron@btinternet.com

Little Ernie news

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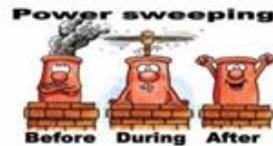
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John Clare

A Day In Autumn

It will not always be like this,
The air windless, a few last
Leaves adding their decoration
To the trees' shoulders, braiding the cuffs
Of the boughs with gold; a bird preening
In the lawn's mirror. Having looked up
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