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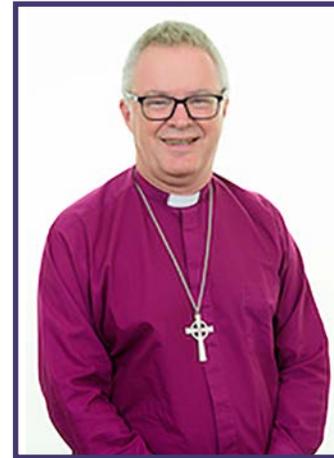
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Letter from the Bishop of Grimsby



Dear Friends,

'Prayer is the heart's true home. But, you see, we have been in a far country. It's been a country of climb and push and shove. It's been a country of noise and hurry and crowds. The heart of God is an open wound of love because of this distance and preoccupation of ours. God mourns that we do not draw near to him. God weeps over our obsession with "muchness" and "manyness". And God is seeking after us. God seeks us like the father rushing out to embrace the prodigal. God seeks us like the woman who will leave no stone unturned in her determination to find a lost coin. God seeks us like the shepherd searching, searching for one last sheep. God is seeking us. God invites us to come home: home to where we belong to serenity and peace and joy: home to intimacy and acceptance and affirmation'.

So writes Richard Foster in his book *Prayer*, and which is quoted again in a book on spiritual disciplines by his son Nathan (*The Making Of An Ordinary Saint*). Exploring the classic spiritual disciplines afresh – submission, fasting, study, solitude, meditation, confession, simplicity, service, prayer, guidance, worship, celebration – Nathan Foster makes the point that it is so easy to approach the disciplines as a checklist. A checklist that either makes us proud if we think we have achieved them, or downcast if we think we have failed – and we miss the point that they are not intended to be ends in themselves but simply means of drawing us closer to God. The God who longs to have that intimacy with us.

It reminds me of one of my favourite quotes from CS Lewis: 'This is my endlessly recurrent temptation: to go down to that Sea (that is God) and there neither dive nor swim nor float, but only to dabble and splash, careful not to get out of my depth and holding on to the lifeline which connects me with my things temporal'.

Prayer, the disciplines – not ends in themselves, but a means by which we enter into that deeper intimacy with God that he longs for each one of us. That's God's longing – and that's the adventure he invites us to journey in.

With every blessing,

Bishop David

Deadline for the October edition - Friday 21st September

Alphonsus Liguori 1696-1787

Alphonse was a Bishop and a founder of the Redemptorist Congregation.

The son of an Italian noble, from Naples, he studied and practised law with considerable success. His conversion to clerical life is said to have been due to his losing a case through confusing Lombard law with Angevin law. He studied theology privately and was ordained priest in 1726, and became famous as a preacher in and near Naples.

In 1731 he refounded a community of nuns, in accordance with a revelation which he declared authentic. In 1732 he founded the Congregation of the Holy Redeemer for priests dedicated to preaching to the rural poor, which was handicapped early on by internal dissensions, and later by the rivalry between Church and State. It is said that Alphonsus was excluded from it because he signed an important document without reading it. After his death, it prospered, especially in Central Europe, and later still in England, Ireland, and the United States.

In 1745 he published his first theological and devotional works. Sometimes criticised for being too legalistic and too exuberant, the influence of both was considerable. His most important work was the Moral Theology.

In his spiritual direction and his preaching, he aimed at simplicity, gentleness, and intelligibility. In trying to be understood by all, he made considerable use of rhetoric, notably in his often-criticised Glories of Mary [1750]. Similar techniques were used by his followers, whose preaching often appealed to the fear of God and the Day of Judgement.

Alphonsus was consecrated bishop of Sant' Agatha dei Goti [Beneventum] in 1762, but he resigned because of ill-health in 1775. He lived for another twelve years, his last ones being saddened by divisions in his Order and by various interior afflictions. He was canonised in 1839 and declared a Doctor of the Church in 1871.



Michael, Archangel. Feast day 29 September.



St Michael's name means 'Who is like unto God.' He appears in the Book of Daniel as 'one of the chief princes' of the heavenly host and as the special guardian or protector of Israel. In the book of Revelations he is the principal fighter of the heavenly battle against the devil, who was cast onto the earth and his angels were thrown down with him' [Rev.12V7-9]. In the Epistle of Jude he disputes with the devil about the body of Moses and says, "May the Lord rebuke you." It seems likely that this passage cites a lost passage of the Assumption of Moses, an apocryphal Jewish work. In this and similar writings he is 'the great captain, who is set over the best part of mankind'.

In the Testament of Abraham, a Jewish book of the second century, Michael is the principal character whose intercession is so powerful that souls can be rescued even from Hell. Perhaps this passage inspired the offertory antiphon formerly used in the Roman Liturgy for the dead, "May Michael the standard bearer lead them into the holy light, which you promised of old to Abraham and his seed."

Michael's following began in the East, where he was prayed to for care of the sick. Emperor Constantine built a church in his honour for this purpose, at Sosthenion near Constantinople, and the hot springs there were also dedicated to him.

It is said that Saint Wilfrid had a vision of Michael shortly before his death.

The most famous shrine in western Europe is Mont Saint-Michel in Normandy, where a Benedictine abbey was founded in the tenth century to commemorate an earlier vision. After the Norman Conquest some abbots and monks came to St Michael's Mount, in England, whose devotions were through Saint Michael.



I'm sure you will all remember the fantastic results of the Ride and Stride event last year; when in the East Elloe Deanery £2,458 was collected by the cyclists and walkers who took part. Of that total, a whopping £1,701 was raised by us here at All Saints, Holbeach – our best ever total both in the parish and also in the deanery.

Well, it's nearly time for the 2018 event – please put Saturday 8th September in your diaries.

On cycle ride day, participants visit any of the churches supporting the event (countywide) by walking, cycling or horse-riding. They can choose how many to visit and how far they wish to travel – there is no set route. All they need to do is ask friends and family to sponsor them either per church visited, or to pledge a donation for their efforts. The visitable churches in East Elloe are:

Fleet St Mary; Fleet Hargate Baptist; Gedney St Mary; Holbeach All Saints;

Holbeach Holy Trinity Catholic; Holbeach Methodist; Holbeach Cemetery Chapels; Long Sutton St Mary; Long Sutton Baptist; Lutton St Nicholas; Moulton all Saints; Moulton Chapel Methodist; Moulton Chapel St James; Sutton Bridge St Matthew and Whaplode St Mary.

So, if you would like to cycle to, or walk around a few of our local churches, please ask me for a sponsor form or pick one up in church. There are many interesting churches (of all Christian denominations) on the official list to visit. Why not ask friends to take part too? (Please note that the Highway Code should be followed at all times, and that participating children must be accompanied by an adult.)

The event is a fundraiser for the Lincolnshire Churches Trust, which was founded in 1952 by Lord Ancaster and Bishop Harland to preserve and protect our churches. It is non-denominational and will help any church or chapel

which is over 100 years old. The Trust is a vital source of funding to our lovely Lincolnshire churches for things like re-roofing and masonry work, and this deanery has benefited through grants given in recent years, so their work is very important to us – we may well need their support financially in the future. Each participating church keeps half of the money raised by its cyclists/walkers so raising as much as possible promotes the work of All Saints too!

If you can't walk far or don't have a bike there are other ways to help:

- We need stewards in Church to welcome participants and sign their forms. There are a couple of slots (1 hour each) unfilled currently – please see the list at the back of the Church and sign up if you can help.
- Sponsor one of our cyclists/walkers Posters are up in church and around strategic places locally, and I have sponsor forms and the list of churches you can visit. If you can help, even in a small way, please let me know, or ask someone at church to put you in touch with me. Oh, and pray for good weather, please!

For further details go to

www.lincolnshirechurchestrust.org.uk

Thank you, Kim Biggs 426631



Our Care Home Ministry by Michaela Dean

In Holbeach, there are five Residential Care Homes, Patchett Lodge, Beech Lodge, Mayfields, Nutten Stoven and Holbeach Hospital, which is also a Hospice for those needing End of Life Care.



too mobile and spend the time we are there coming in, going out, sitting down and standing up, having little chats or looking for their lost handbags. One lady I knew would do the dusting and happily welcome you into her home!

Some Residents have families that can regularly come to see them. Some are on their own or their families live far away or have died.

However, they nearly all have

one thing in common; they greet us with a big smile.

No matter how poorly they are most can say, and welcome being invited to pray, the Lord's Prayer, even when they appear to be asleep their mouths move with the words. They also all love All Things Bright and Beautiful, remember the words and join in as well as they can. We the Ministry Team, go to each Home once a month except January and August.

In August those who can, come for a service here in the Church, which they love and look forward too, especially the refreshments and the company. A chance to see different people.

Holbeach Hospital has a bus but residents from the other homes have to

The residents come here for various reasons. One of the main ones is stroke with the loss of mobility or speech. Some have dementia which can show itself in many different ways. Some are embarrassed that they can no longer read and instead tell us that they have forgotten their glasses, so they don't need the service or hymn sheet.

Some residents are immobile and need a wheelchair. The wheelchairs at Holbeach Hospital are rather grand affairs, proper armchairs on wheels. They look very comfortable, and it means that the Residents don't need to be hoisted into different seats from their rooms to the various lounges.

Others use a stick or a zimmer frame to get around. Some residents are much

be pushed in wheelchairs. So far this year we have had offers from six people to help with the pushing, which is fabulous. I am looking forward to Wednesday 22nd August when they come; it will be a lovely service. Please join us and bring refreshments if you are able or interested. I know they would like to see you!

A special thank you to our Care Home Ministry Team volunteers; Judy for accompanying the hymns on the keyboard week by week and Kex, Martin, Joyce, Jackie, Lynne, Ann, Fran and Pat who help us regularly with one or other of the homes. Extra volunteers are always welcome especially at Patchett lodge and Beech lodge.

Floodlight Sponsors

If you would like to sponsor the running of the church floodlights please contact Clare. It costs the church about £1000 a year to run the floodlights but for £10 you can sponsor a day in memory of someone or to celebrate a special occasion, or if you prefer your donation can remain anonymous.

July

30th In memory of Frank Arnold.

August

1st In loving memory of Doris and Cyril Wellington.

2nd In loving memory of David Duncan.

5th Birthday memories of George Hector.

12th Maureen and Tony Howard, remembered for their love, laughter and happiness.

15th Remembering the birthday of Jean Cunningham.

21st In memory of David Andrew Walsham, a dearly loved son and brother.

26th Florence Sheila Waters - remembering with love a darling mother.

27th Margaret Louise Coleman, in loving memory of a dear wife.

30th In memory of Alan on his birthday.

September

3rd Happy birthday to Alice Taylor.

4th Remembering Roger.

13th Happy birthday to Hector Taylor.

26th Happy birthday to Julia Taylor.

28th In memory of Annette Bremner Walsham, a dearly loved wife and mother.



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Harvest Festival

Harvest this year falls on 7th October and we plan to celebrate it a little differently this year by celebrating the huge harvest of the gifts and talents of the many volunteers who contribute almost daily to the life of our church. We will begin by having another graffiti wall in church in order to compile as complete a list as we can of all the roles and responsibilities that people have and all the groups that are part of our church life. We hope to follow the Sunday morning service by a celebratory lunch in the church. – Further details in September.



Choir BBQ

We had great fun at the choir BBQ with 10 of our young people, one or two parents and several of the adult members. Barry did a brilliant job on the BBQ – once we had got it alight and was not daunted by the very precious rain that fell for half an hour or so (Carole held the umbrella). The children were completely undaunted and carried on on the trampoline and with their game of rounders regardless.



From the Parish Registers

Baptisms

We welcome into the church family:

8th July

Arthur - James Broda
Zachary Mackman

22nd July

Madison Higgins
Caitlyn & Imogen
Speed

Weddings

We offer our congratulations to:

30th June

Charlotte McIlroy &
Martin Gale

21st July

Antony Patmore &
Tammie Crabtree

Funerals

We offer our sympathy to:

11th July

Nicholas Carter

12th July

Linda Saville

18th July

Gladys Pulfrey

Chocks Away!

About 18 months ago I had a letter out of the blue from a chap called Nigel Fallow from Durham whose late father had been in Burma with me in 2810 Sqd RAF Reg in the second world war but with whom I had lost touch when the war ended. We spoke on the phone several times until he rang one day to ask if he could pop in to see Lynne and

wing and at my age climbing up the kerb is a problem, Nigel was kind enough to fly down on a previous day so we could practice! With a bit of help from Clare we managed to get me in and so on 17th June it was up, up and away! Nigel and I had a great day together with others who had also been flown in by about 130 light aircraft pilot volunteers.



me. I said it was a long way to drive and he said there was no problem as he has his own light aircraft and would fly into Holbeach St Johns. After a few visits he phoned to say he was going to take me to Wolverhampton to an RAF veterans day and we would fly there. As you have to get in the plane by climbing on the

I sat with a fellow Burma Star veteran who I hadn't seen for many years since our Burma Star group closed down. There was lots of entertainment and food and we were very well looked after by the younger generation of RAF service men and women. What a day!

Alan Barkes

2018 Christmas Card

This Christmas, please think about taking part in 'The Church Christmas Card' and giving to Charity instead of all the individual cards that many of us give to friends that we regularly see in Church. Also helping the environment and making Christmas a little greener.

Some of the children will decorate the Church Card, and you will be able to add your personal season's greetings for everyone to read and enjoy. It will be displayed prominently in Church

from just after the Remembrance services in November.

All we ask is that you donate to our nominated charity, which is to be decided by the PCC at their July meeting.

Please join in and make this a big success for Christmas 2018.



Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

On the 20th July, Mrs Fines welcomed six members and the Rev Michaela Dean to the meeting, which had been preceded by a Communion Service celebrated by Michaela.

On Mary Sumner Day, 9th August, Michaela will lead a morning of reflection with a difference in the Mary Bass Room, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, finishing with a 'bring your own' lunch, guests will be very welcome.

Our next Branch meeting is in the Mary Bass Room on the 21st September at 2:00 pm.

Lady Chapel Flowers:

August

5th, 12th & 19th Mrs J Sheldrake, 26th Mrs M Venni.

September

2nd Mrs M Venni, 9th, 16th & 23rd Mrs J Fines.

Diary Dates:

1st August Corporate Communion 9.30am in Church.

9th August 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Time of Reflection Mary Bass Room.

5th September Corporate Communion 9:30 am in Church.

21st September Branch meeting at 2:00 pm in the Mary Bass Room.

All Saints Ladies Group

The 2018 AGM was on Wednesday 11th July. Sharon Cole welcomed members, and apologies received from Patricia Ashley, Diane Bailey, Christine Reynolds and Doreen Rudd. The minutes from 2016/7 were approved.

Matters arising: Donations made to the Church and Holbeach Hospital in lieu of resigning from both flower rotas. Sharon thanked the committee and Joyce Fines for their support through the year. The committee was elected en bloc to serve a further year. Sharon said it would be good if one or two members attended committee meetings to observe what we do. The Group had enjoyed a varied year again; with talks about a Bargain Hunt TV experience, origins of Nursery Rhymes, China the Country and a Textile workshop. Speakers from Sue Ryder Care, Salvation Army and the Holbeach Cemetery Chapels Trust, received donations for their respective

organisations. Members were informed annual subscriptions would increase to £7. Ways to promote the group discussed and ideas noted for further discussion at the committee on 4th August.

Kim, Phil and James Biggs were introduced, then entertained us with lively Folk music. Kim had won second place in a competition for composed music and words. She kindly sang this for us. Pat Duncan thanked them for being with us offering flowers and an invitation to join us for our drinks & buffet. The raffle drawn saw everyone win a prize.

The Group has August off; starting again at 7 pm on Wednesday 12th September at the Reading Rooms. For September and October, tea & coffee will be served on arrival.

We wish all members and visitors a continued happy and peaceful summer.

William Stukeley school needs a foundation governor

Catherine Thorpe who became a governor just a year ago has now been appointed as a teacher at the school – which is really good news, but it means we have a vacancy for another school governor. Please speak to Rosamund if you are interested.



Bible Study Group

GETTING TO GRIPS WITH THE

PSALMS

A fortnightly study group that meets on Thursdays

Next two meetings

Thurs 13th Sept / Thurs 27th Sept
at 18 High Street

(Home of Alan & Lynne Barks)

This group will alternate with the prayer group so that members can attend both if they wish.

Sign up list at the back of church.



Our school year ends

With Year Six pupils and their families enjoying Graduation within the walls of our Parish church, parents and families celebrated with us too. Pupils joined in from other year groups sharing memories of this year; a lovely first for us. Thank you to all involved in making this possible, Reverend Seal for inviting us and Julie Dunn, our super organist for stepping in, creating a super service with the collection donated to the British Heart foundation chosen in memory of a parent.

Graduation continued back in school with an informal afternoon. We said goodbye and good luck to all our Years six pupils, who are off to six different secondary schools and look forward to their visits back to us once settled.

Holbeach in Bloom

The judges have been and gone. After all the hard work our pupils excelled in sharing their gardens and grounds, explaining their valuable projects, and even the ducks had a polish! Now we patiently wait for good news in September. Good luck Holbeach and thank you to all involved for their hard work. Every year we are so impressed with the dedication of the team at Holbeach in Bloom.

Testing completed

Initial results are through; we could not be prouder of all year groups. Year six leave us with very good results above national outcomes and Early Years move into Key stage one with their hard work done too and ready to be big Year One's.

Head Teacher - Mrs S Boor

Summer Fayre

Once again, a successful event, this year held at the end of the school day. Our thanks to the PTFA for putting this on and our parents and community for supporting us. More funds for our pupils and lots of fun created in the process. By the flood of water around the stocks, I think Mr Fiddler and Miss Penney deserve a break from the dunking next year!

The new term

We say goodbye to Year Six, Mrs Walker and Miss Hughes. We say hello to our new Early Years group, Miss Sage, Mr Gaines and Mrs Cave. Goodbyes are hard, but retirement is well earned for Mrs Walker, Miss Hughes takes up an exciting post and Year six enter the next phase of their education journey.

This term we said hello to Holbeach Bank academy joining into the family of schools of the Lincolnshire Educational Trust. Fantastic pupils, no surprise at all but also committed hard working staff who have made us most welcome. Good luck to Year Six pupils there too, who are also enjoying leavers hoodies like their peers at HPA. Exciting times for Holbeach Bank academy in growing to be the school pupils and families deserve.

And so to another academic year done. We belong to a fantastic town with a welcoming parish church. We are all enjoying the sunshine; long may it last. To all our community from all at HPA, have a lovely summer.

School Office - 01406 422397

Carly Paoli visit

We were so lucky that opera singer Carly Paoli visited our school. The children were amazed to hear her singing. We had shown them videos of her performing so for them to see her on our school stage was an experience they will never forget. We had the chance to sing with Carly too; everyone, including staff, joined in! What impressed us the most was the time that Carly took to talk to the children after the performance. The children were so excited to be able to meet her and speak to her.



Junior Police Community Support Officers



Our JPCSOs have had a busy time working with PCSO Naomi Newell this year. As well as helping to make sure our playgrounds are

a fun place to be, they also did a check on the speed of cars passing our school. They were rewarded with a visit to the National Justice Museum in Nottingham and were presented with certificates and medals by PCSO Newell.

New Class

In September, our reception classes will both have 30 pupils due to an increased intake of pupils next year. This means we have had to create a new class in Key Stage Two. We will now have an Owls class!



Head Teacher -
Mr T W Emery
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Library Location

Our new class means we have had to relocate our school library while a new classroom is built. We will be opening our new school library in the old town library in September.

Year 6 Leavers

It is the time of year when we say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils. Our church service allowed us all to reflect on the successes of our Year 6 pupils and send them with our prayers and best wishes as they start the next part of their learning journeys in their new schools.

End of Year

We cannot believe how quickly we have reached the end of another school year. We would like to thank our staff and governors for all their hard work during the year that ensures that our school moves from strength to strength. We thank The Friends of the School and the many volunteers for all they bring to our school community. Finally, we thank our amazing pupils for their hard work and determination to meet every new challenge. Have a wonderful summer break!

Diary Dates for August			
Wed 1	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR
Thursday 2	2.30	Holbeach Hospital Communion	
	7.00	Prayer Group	9 Edinburgh Walk
Friday 3	10.00	Community Larder and Cafe	Reading Rooms
Saturday 4	10.00	Coffee Morning	
Sunday 5th August – Trinity 10			
Sunday 5	8.00	Holy Communion (BCP)	
	10.30	All-Age Worship	
	12.00	Bring and Share lunch	Vicarage Garden
	6.30	Deanery Evensong	
Monday 6	10.00	Crochet & Knitting Group	2 Park Lane
Tuesday 7	10.30	Bell Ringing practice	
	2.30	Holy Communion at Patchett lodge	
	7.00	Mission & Outreach Committee	The Vicarage
Wednesday 8	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR
	10.30	Home Communion	
Thursday 9	10.00	Mother's Union Quiet Day	
Friday 10	10.00	Community Larder and Cafe	Reading Rooms
Saturday 11	10.00	Coffee Morning	MBR
Sunday 12th August – Trinity 11			
Sunday 12	10.30	Holy Communion (CW)	
	12.15	Baptisms	
	6.30	Deanery Evensong	
Monday 13	10.00	Crochet & knitting group	2 Park Lane
Tuesday 14	10.30	Bell Ringing Practice	
	10.30	Church visiting group	
Wednesday 15	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR
Thursday 16	7.00	Prayer Group	9 Edinburgh Walk
Friday 17	10.00	Community Larder & Cafe	Reading Rooms
Saturday 18	10.00	Coffee Morning	MBR
Sunday 19th August – Trinity 12			
Sunday 19	10.30	Holy Communion (CW)	
	6.30	Deanery Evensong	
	10.00	Crochet & knitting Group	2 Park Lane
Tuesday 21	10.30	Bell-ringing Practice	
Wednesday 22	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR

Diary Dates for August - September			
	2.00	Care Home service in church	
Friday 24	10.00	Community Larder & Cafe	Reading Rooms
Saturday 25	10.00	Coffee Morning	MBR
Sunday 26th August – Trinity 13			
Sunday 26	10.30	Holy Communion (CW)	
	12.15	Baptisms	
	6.30	Deanery Evensong	
Tuesday 28	10.30	Bell Ringing practice	
Wednesday 29	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR
Friday 31	10.00	Community Larder and Cafe	Reading Rooms
Sat 1st Sept	10.00	Coffee Morning	MBR
Sunday 2nd September – Trinity 14			
Sunday 2 Sept	8.00	Holy Communion (BCP)	
	10.30	All-Age Worship	
	12.15	Baptisms	
	6.30	Deanery Evensong	
Monday 3	10.00	Crochet & Knitting group	2 Park Lane
Tuesday 4	10.30	Bell Ringing practice	
	2.00	Visiting bell ringers from Devon	
	2.30	Holy Communion at Patchett Lodge	
	7.30	Ministry Team	The Vicarage
Wednesday 5	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR
Thursday 6	2.30	Holbeach Hospital Communion	
	7.00	Prayer Group	9 Edinburgh Walk
Friday 7	10.00	Community Larder and Cafe	Reading Rooms
	6.30	Junior Choir	
	7.15	Adult Choir	
Saturday 8	10.00	Coffee Morning	
Sunday 9th September – Trinity 15			
Sunday 9	10.30	Holy Communion (CW)	
	6.30	Deanery Evensong	
Monday 10	10.00	Crochet & Knitting Group	2 Park Lane
Tuesday 11	10.30	Bell Ringing practice	
	2.30	Holy Communion at Beech Lodge	
	7.30	Standing Committee	The Vicarage
Wednesday 12	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR

Diary Dates for September

	10.30	Home Communions	
	7.00	All Saints Ladies group	Reading Rooms
Thursday 13	7.00	Bible Study group	18 High Street
Friday 14	10.00	Community Larder & Cafe	Reading Rooms
	5.30	Wedding rehearsal	
	6.30	Junior Choir	
	7.15	Adult choir	
Saturday 15	10.00	Coffee Morning	MBR
	1.00	Wedding	
Sunday 16th September – Trinity 16			
Sunday 16	10.30	Holy Communion (CW)	
	5.00	ALM meeting with Warden of Lay Ministry	
	6.30	Deanery ALM Authorisation service	
Monday 17	10.00	Crochet & Knitting Group	2 Park Lane
Tuesday 18	10.30	Bell Ringing practice	
	7.30	PCC Meeting	MBR
Wednesday 19	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR
	2.30	Holy Communion at Mayfields	
Thursday 20	7.00	Prayer Group	9 Edinburgh Walk
Friday 21	10.00	Community Larder & Cafe	Reading Rooms
	2.00	Mothers Union	MBR
Saturday 22	10.00	Coffee Morning	MBR
Sunday 23rd September – Trinity 17			
Sunday 23	10.30	Holy Communion (CW)	
	12.15	Baptisms	
	6.30	Deanery Evensong	
Monday 24	10.00	Crochet & Knitting group	2 Park Lane
Tuesday 25	10.30	Bell Ringing practice	
	2.30	Holy Communion at Nutten Stoven	
Wednesday 26	9.30	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
	10.00	Tea & Coffee	MBR
Thursday 27	7.00	Bible Study group	18 High Street
Friday 28	10.00	Community Larder & Cafe	Reading Rooms
	6.30	Junior Choir	
	7.15	Adult Choir	
Saturday 29	10.00	Coffee Morning	MBR
Sunday 30th September – Trinity 18			
Sunday 30	10.30	Holy Communion (CW)	
	6.30	Be Still – a reflective service	

A Walk to Hope

Early sun shone through dappled shade
While jewels of dew lit silent glade.
With breathless step she entered there
Alone, downcast her mind elsewhere.

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A dazzling sight now filled her view
Of leaves resplendent in every hue.
The silence broke as gentle breeze
Stirred, then moved the fragrant trees.

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There on the grass just one, then two
Fragile violets brushed her shoe.
They bent their heads and touched
the ground
As she brushed past without a sound.

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She chose to walk the shady path
Alone, to seek the light and laugh
At wonders only she would see
Of flowers half hidden by shade of tree.

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Still further in the woods she found
Air so still yet rich with sound.
Then feeling warmth on every side
Watched the leaves twirl and glide.

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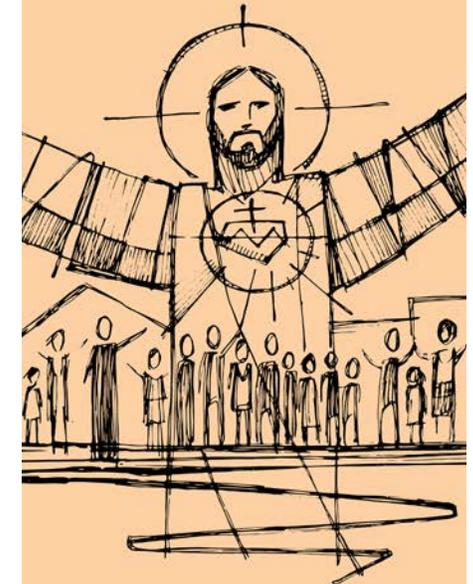
Now life renewed and tiredness gone
Hope grew until it blazed and shone.
The empty past lost far behind
As future visions filled her mind.

Jackie Shelldrake

Open the Book

On page 21 in the magazine you will see a page advertising the Open the Book project. This is a project set up by the Bible Society where by groups of lay people take dramatized bible stories into primary school assemblies. At a recent deanery synod meeting the Mary Bass funded children's worker – Emily Taylor – gave a presentation about how the project works and what is involved and synod gave it a unanimous endorsement. Our own PCC also voted to support the project and in the autumn Emily will start recruiting volunteers. Please contact Emily if you would like to find out more.

t: 07501 823993 or
e: emily.taylor@marybass.org.uk



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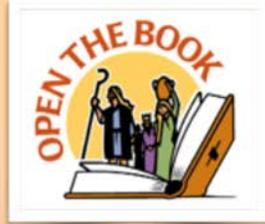
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presentation takes around 10-15 minutes and can be
incorporated into a wider school assembly, or can
stand alone.

We are hoping to form an interdenominational Open the Book team, to
work in the local schools. If you enjoy telling stories, crafting or a bit of
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