

The Broadsider



The bi-monthly magazine of the Broadside Parishes of

Ranworth with Panxworth, South Walsham, Upton and Woodbastwick

Dear Friends,

As I write this letter to you I can see a goldfinch out of the corner of my eye, pecking at a feeder in the hazel tree outside my study window. With their red, white and black heads and gold wing bars, they are the most beautiful members of the finch family. Which is just as well, really, because they're expensive to run. I've tried cheaper seed mixes in the feeder, but they only turn up for gourmet meals of sunflower hearts. For goldfinches, it's Spring, but for me as a Christian it's Easter as well, and seeing them reminds me of Jesus.

In medieval times, people believed that God created the animal world, not just for food, but for education. Moral lessons or symbols of faith could be found by observing nature. Sometimes these lessons were based on very unscientific thinking. For example, Barnacle Geese don't grow out of barnacles, even if their colouring is similar. But medieval Britons had never seen their breeding grounds in Greenland, Spitzbergen or arctic Russia, and they had to come from somewhere...

However, their views on goldfinches did derive partly from nature. People noticed how they liked prickly food sources like thistles and teasels. They believed that the birds also nested in thorn bushes. These habits, and the goldfinch's crimson face reminded medieval Christians of the crown of thorns worn by Jesus on the cross. Sometimes, in paintings of the Madonna and Child, the infant Jesus was depicted with a goldfinch in his hand, a symbol of his coming Passion and death. Although I see them through modern eyes rather than medieval ones, they still remind me of Christ. Goldfinches were often trapped and kept as caged birds, but now we respect both their beauty and their freedom.

Here in Broadland's varied habitats, we're surrounded by a wealth of animal life. Some of it we own, as pets or as farm or working animals. In the creation story in the Bible, God makes the animal kingdom as Adam's first companions and helpers (Genesis 2.18–19). We can still thank God for them at a special Blessing of Animals Service to be held at Fairhaven Gardens on Sunday July 10th at 3.30pm, by kind permission. Please ask your pets to put this in their diaries now, and please let me know if they intend to come!

Meanwhile, Christian Aid Week (May 15th–21st) calls upon us to think about making our response to the needs of the human family. In many parts of the world, people are living in desperate poverty that is compounded by war, natural disasters, climate change and environmental degradation. Malaria remains one of the world's biggest killers, but an impregnated mosquito net costing only £3 would protect a child against the disease. The question posed to each of us during Christian Aid Week is, do we care enough to give £3 to provide one? Or even several?! If you would like to help and can spare a couple of hours or so to help with this year's collection please call 01603 270157.

There will be opportunities to give via our friendly door-to-door collectors, through our churches or South Walsham Post Office or by attending one of our events. On May 14th there'll be a Coffee Morning at the Rectory, with bring and buy, fun and games, between 10.30am and Noon. Soup and Puddings will be served at Upton Village Hall on Friday 20th, 6.30pm for 7. There'll also be a Christian Aid speaker and Fair Trade and produce stalls. Tickets are £4 –details in Church. If you'd like to know more about this year's campaign, please visit the Christian Aid website at www.christianaid.org.uk.

The problems may exist on a global scale, but as individuals we can become part of the solution.

I began by giving thanks for animals and all they mean to us, and would like to end with an animal metaphor: don't be an ostrich!

With all good wishes, Nick Garrard



Carlo Crivelli: Madonna and Child, detail goldfinch (1480)



St. Margaret's Church
Upton



Saturday 7th May 2011 at 7.00pm

A MUSICAL EVENING
with

ACLE COMMUNITY CHOIR

Proceeds To The Organ Restoration Fund

Light refreshments

Tickets: £6.00 each

At the door or phone 01493 750518

OPEN GARDEN

The Old House

Ranworth

May 22nd 2011

in aid of

Fairhaven CE VA Primary School

2:00 – 5:00 pm

Please come along and enjoy the beautiful gardens.

Teas and cakes will be on sale and there will be a fun competition for the children.

Entrance £3.00 for adults

Children free

Blowing the dust off Ranworth's sixteenth century book.

The medieval illuminated Ranworth Antiphoner is world famous, but did you know that St. Helen's also possesses a mid-sixteenth century printed book? It's the 'Paraphrases of Erasmus' of 1548. Although you may not have heard of it, at one time there was a copy in every parish church. As part of our celebrations of the 400th Anniversary of the King James Bible, I will give a talk on this largely forgotten but once influential book in St. Helen's on Sunday June 26th at 3.30pm. Admission is free.

From Richard Dewing

Thank you to all who showed me such loving kindness and generosity on my 80th birthday.

A big thank you also...

... to Veronica and the Team and everyone who supported this year's Lent lunches.

... to all who attended the AGM and stood for election to PCC and Deanery Synod.

... to everyone who shared our Benefice journey through Holy Week to Easter.

Pastoral care of Parishioners

If anyone requires visiting or wishes to make arrangements for a baptism, marriage or funeral, please inform Revd. Nick Garrard or one of your churchwardens listed below.

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summer concert

A concert is to be held at Ranworth Church on Saturday 4th June at 7.30 pm by the Norwich City Concert Band. The Band is a committed group of Norwich based woodwind, brass and percussion players well known for its performances all over Norfolk. This will be an exciting programme of music ranging from classical through jazz to pop and songs from the musicals and it would be good to have a churchful as the audience. Tickets costing £8 for adults and £4 for children are on sale in advance from First Impressions, Salhouse and at the Church door on the night.



FROM THE REGISTERS

WEDDING

❖ at St Helen's, Ranworth ❖
March 26th

**Steven Gray
& Penelope Harris**

FUNERALS

❖ at St Margaret's, Upton ❖
March 29th

Mary Futter

❖ at St Margaret's, Upton ❖
March 31st

Frederick Millward

❖ at Earlham Crematorium ❖
April 13th

Rose Manley

INTERMENT OF ASHES

❖ at St Helen's, Ranworth ❖
April 7th

Nicholas Joseph Richard Jefferies

Woodbastwick 700

Woodbastwick Church Flower Festival and Open Gardens will take place on May 28, 29 & 30 between 10.00 and 4.30. There will be sixteen professional arrangements celebrating "700 Year of Woodbastwick" with up to ten village gardens open on the Sunday and Monday. Teas will served on the Green between 2 and 4 pm.

As part of our Flower Festival we are having a Concert in our little church on Saturday 28 May at 6.30 for 7pm with Organ (Brian Bemment), Clarinet (Cas Wright) and Baritone (Maurice Bird). The programme is popular classical music and songs from the shows for all to enjoy. Tickets £7.50 from Kit Cator (01603 720276) or on the door.

Finally, as part of our 700 year we are holding a Mardle for Reminiscences on Saturday June 25 at the Village Hall from 2pm. Brian Bunting and others want to contact anyone with memories of Woodbastwick which we would like to note for posterity. Lizzie Sawyer and Alice Southwood will be recording. Please help to spread news of this event where everyone will be welcome.

The May Calendar

= Children's Activities

BC = Benefice Choir

1	Sun	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Ranworth	<i>1st Sunday</i> <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Upton	
		11am	Morning Prayer	South Walsham	
		11am	Holy Communion B.C.P.	Woodbastwick	
3	Tue	2.30pm	Womens' Fellowship	Upton Village Hall	
		7.30pm	Woodbastwick Ladies Club.	Woodbastwick Village Hall	
		7.45pm	Easter Group	The Rectory, South Walsham	
4	Wed	7.30pm	South Walsham WI	South Walsham Village Hall	
5	Thur	10am-noon	Coffee Morning at Copperhole, Woodbastwick		
7	Sat	7pm	Concert: Acle Community Choir – St Margaret's, Upton in aid of the Organ Discovery and Restoration Project		
8	Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Ranworth	<i>2nd Sunday</i> <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>
		9.30am	Family Service	Upton	
		11am	Holy Communion	South Walsham	
		11am	Family Service	Woodbastwick	
		6.30pm	Deanery Evening Service	Salhouse Church	
9	Mon	7.30pm	Norwich & Norfolk Festival Recital: Andrejs Osokins. St Lawrence's		
11	Wed	12.30pm	South Walsham Ladies Luncheon Club. Filby Bridge Hotel		
14	Sat	10.30am-noon	Christian Aid Coffee Morning at the Rectory, South Walsham		
Christian Aid Week begins					
15	Sun	8am	Holy Communion	Ranworth	<i>3rd Sunday</i> <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>
		9.30am	Family Service & Baptism	Ranworth	
		11am	Family Service	St. Lawrence's	
		11am	Holy Communion	Woodbastwick	
		3.30pm	Holy Communion	Upton	
16	Mon	7.45pm	South Walsham & Upton PCC meeting	St Lawrence's	
17	Tue	7.30pm	Ranworth Ladies Club. "Norfolk's hidden secrets" with Chris Weston. Please contact Sue Hitchcock on 01603 270212		
		7.45pm	Bible Study Group	Old Hall Farm, South Walsham	
20	Fri	6.30pm for 7	Christian Aid Supper	Upton Village Hall	
22	Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Ranworth	<i>4th Sunday</i> <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>
		9.30am	Morning Prayer	Upton	
		10-Noon	Sunday Plus	St Lawrence's	
		11am	Holy Communion	South Walsham	
		11am	Morning Prayer	Woodbastwick	
		2-5pm	Open Garden at Old House, Ranworth, in aid of Fairhaven School (<i>See advert</i>)		
22	Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Ranworth	
28-30 Sat - Mon Woodbastwick 700 Festival Weekend					
29	Sun	9.30am	Benefice Communion BC	Ranworth	<i>5th Sunday</i> <i>Rogation Sunday</i>
		6.30pm	Evensong BC	Woodbastwick	



Event Organisers — Please Note

The next issue of Broadsider covers July and August

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the 10th of each month before each issue.

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The June Calendar

= Children's Activities

BC = Benefice Choir

1	Wed	10.30am	Hymn singing at Broadlands Park, Upton		
		7.30pm	South Walsham WI	South Walsham Village Hall	
2	Thur	7pm	Ascension Day — Holy Communion	South Walsham	
4	Sat	7.30pm	Concert: Norwich City Band	Ranworth	
5	Sun	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Ranworth	<i>1st Sunday</i> <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i>
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Upton	
		11am	Morning Prayer	South Walsham	
		11am	Holy Communion B.C.P.	Woodbastwick	
6	Mon	7.30pm	St Lawrence's Committee	St Lawrence's	
7	Tues	2.30pm	Womens' Fellowship	Upton Village Hall	
		7.30pm	Woodbastwick Ladies Club.	Woodbastwick Village Hall	
		7.45pm	Bible Study Group	The Rectory, South Walsham	
9	Thur	10.30am	Holy Communion	Upton	
12	Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Ranworth	<i>2nd Sunday</i> <i>Pentecost</i>
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Upton	
		11am	Holy Communion	South Walsham	
		11am	Holy Communion	Woodbastwick	
		7pm	Compline. Sung by Lay Brothers of St Benet's Abbey at	Ranworth	
13	Mon	7.45pm	Woodbastwick PCC meeting	Copperhole, Woodbastwick	
14	Tue	7.45pm	Mission Possible 2	St. Lawrence's	
15	Wed	12.30pm	South Walsham Ladies Luncheon Club. Filby Bridge Hotel		
		1.30pm	Pastoral Group	The Rectory, South Walshams	
		7.30pm	Open Deanery Synod Meeting on Women Bishops Legislation – St. Helen's Ranworth		
18	Sat	7.30pm	Concert: Clarinet Connection	St. Lawrence's	
19	Sun	8am	Holy Communion	Ranworth	
		9.30am	Family Service	Ranworth	<i>3rd Sunday</i> <i>Trinity Sunday</i>
		11am	Family Service & Baptism	South Walsham	
		11am	Family Service	Woodbastwick	
		3.30pm	Evensong	Upton	
20	Mon	7.45pm	Benefice Advisory Council	Ranworth Visitors Centre	
21	Tues	7.30pm	Ranworth & District Ladies Club. Meet at the Ranworth Visitors' Centre. Ranworth Rood Screen & Antiphoner with Revd Nick Garrard. Please contact Sue Hitchcock on 01603 270212		
		7.45pm	Bible Study Group	Old Hall Farm, South Walsham	
23	Thur	7.30pm	Corpus Christi — Holy Communion	Ranworth	
25	Sat	2pm	Woodbastwick Mardle (see Woodbastwick 700 article)	Woodbastwick Village Hall	
26	Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Ranworth	<i>4th Sunday</i> <i>Trinity 1</i>
		9.30am	Morning Prayer	Upton	
		10-Noon	Sunday Plus	St Lawrence's	
		11am	Holy Communion #	South Walsham	
		11am	Morning Prayer	Woodbastwick	
		3.30pm	Blowing the dust off Erasmus's Paraphrases: inside Ranworth's 16 th century book. Talk by Nick Garrard - St. Helen's Ranworth		
27	Mon	10.30am	Upton Organ Committee	Edgefield, Upton	
July					
3	Sun	10am	Benefice Open Air Service BC	Ranworth Staithe	<i>1st Sunday</i> <i>St Thomas the Apostle</i>

FAIRHAVEN CEVA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

SPRING TERM AT FAIRHAVEN CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have had a busy term with the children participating in the usual range of extra curricular activities as well as new opportunities such as skiing and Mad Science.

The formal opening of our new library, which we celebrated through a Book Week, was a particularly special event. The children enjoyed a visit by Marion Lindsay, a book illustrator, who showed the children some of her sketches and the books she has illustrated. The older children were very interested to learn about how she became a book illustrator.

Tom Blofeld, author of The Bewilderwood Books, formally opened our new library on Tuesday 8th February. He spent the whole morning in school, reading to the children and signing copies of his books that they had purchased. The children were interested in finding out how the books and Bewilderwood came about at the same time. He gave the children some useful hints about story writing and has hopefully inspired some of them to consider becoming writers. We also enjoyed meeting Mildred (a crocklebog) who assisted in the reading sessions.

We finished the week with a Book Character Day when all staff and children dressed up as a character from a book. At the end of the day lots of parents came into school to see the new library and to enjoy tea and cakes.

Class 3 enjoyed a trip to The Elizabethan House Museum where they had a Tudor experience to support their learning in school. As part of our aspiration to become a sustainable school they also spent a day learning about cob building and making an earth sculpture.

The high point of the term for our older pupils was a three day trip to Kingswood where they participated in a number of adventurous activities ranging from caving through climbing to zip wire.

Our term was completed by two musical days; one when all the pupils learnt about aboriginal music and had the opportunity to play a didgeridoo and the second when lots of pupils had a chance to perform to the rest of the school on the instrument they are currently learning to play.

Rag Bag Collection

Are you thinking of decluttering? We will be holding a rag bag collection on behalf of the school on Wednesday 6th July 2011.

Why not put old clothes, shoes (in pairs please), old curtains, sheets etc into bags and bring to Fairhaven School on the morning of Wednesday 6th July. Please do not bring them in before then as we do not have any storage space. Help us promote sustainability, avoid items being placed into landfill and help raise money for your local school.

We are paid by weight for the items that are collected. Bags are available from the office or black bin bags can be used.

Looking ahead

Following the popularity of last year's service, on July 3rd there will be an OPEN AIR SONGS OF PRAISE on Ranworth Staithe, beginning at 10am. Come and join us and bring something to sit on if you wish.

Bookings at St. Lawrence's

I would like to express the Committee's thanks to Clifford Miller for the great efficiency and care with which he served as St. Lawrence's Bookings Secretary. Clifford has handed over the role to Chris Bond (keyholder) and Sue Starkings (diary holder). If you wish to make a booking enquiry, please get in touch with Sue. Her contact details are: suestarkings@yahoo.co.uk Tel. 01603 270497 Mob. 07884153520

BENEFICE PRAYERS

MAY: Prayer for Christian Aid

Dear Lord,

Thank you that you want us to be able to live life to the full and that you want good things for all people.

We praise you because you are a God of love, justice, and compassion.

Help us to do what we can to make the world a fairer place. Give us courage to stand up for what is right.

Thank you for the good work that Christian Aid is doing to end poverty.

We pray for Christian Aid to continue to give hope to people living in poverty.

Please help us to love others the way Jesus loves us and to help Christian Aid however we can to end poverty. — Amen.

JUNE:

God the Holy Trinity, protect us;

Father be over us,

Saviour, be under us,

Spirit, be within us,

the Holy Three in One enfolding us, ever more about us.

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and mighty,

you give us life, you give us love, you give us yourself;

help us to give our lives, our love, ourselves, to you. — Amen.



SUNDAY BY SUNDAY PRAYERS

May 1st

Pray for Rowan our Archbishop, our Bishops Graham, James and Alan. For James Meyrick and his family as he prepares for his consecration as Bishop of Lynn.

May 8th

Pray for our local Uniformed Groups: South Walsham Guides and Brownies and for their leaders and helpers.

May 15th

Pray for Police, fire, ambulance, coastguard and lifeboat services. For our Christian Aid collectors and organisers.

May 22nd

Pray for couples preparing for marriage. For all who work to support marriage and family life in this area and those whose marriages are experiencing difficulties.

May 29th

Pray for Keith Simpson, M.P and our M.E.Ps. For Woodbastwick and Ranworth, Upton and Fishley and South Walsham Parish Councils, our parish and county councillors.

June 5th

Pray for Helen Garrard and Richard Dewing, Readers. All who read, lead prayers and assist in our worship, eucharistic ministers and servers. For Helen's OLM training and the ministry team and for more people to offer themselves for Reader or Ordained ministry.

June 12th

Pray for the work of Christian Aid, and a fairer sharing of the earth's resources among its people. For our environmental policies.

June 19th

Pray for our local hospitals, their staff, chaplains and patients.

June 26th

Pray for all in our parishes who are lonely, or troubled in mind or body, or bereaved. For all who have difficulties in their relationships, or struggle to find faith. For today's last Sunday Plus before the summer holidays.

July 3rd

Pray for Nick Garrard, Rector, and his family. For our ministry to visitors and holidaymakers.



Can anyone help us please?

A request from Hemblington Church. We have been offered the loan of a beautiful collection of Christening gowns and caps that we would like to display in our church during Open Churches week (Saturday, 31st July to Sunday 8th August).

However we will need to borrow from somewhere, for that short space of time, some glass display cabinets to protect these beautiful items.

If anyone knows where such items could be borrowed from – we can consider any shape or size, please get in contact – 01603 270360 or 270542. Very many thanks.

Barn Dance

A Ceilidh (aka Barn Dance) Saturday May 22nd at Heathlands Community Centre, Woodbastwick Road Blofield Heath NR13 4QH – 7.30pm with the Jigsaw Band.

Tickets will be £10 for adults and £5 for children under 16 and will include refreshments. For more information and tickets please call 01603 270542 or 270360

Ranworth Quiz and Chips results

The Quiz and Chips event was once again well attended and the competition ran very close in the final. The event raised an impressive total of £2490.59 with £835 going to Breakthrough Breast Cancer Care and £1655.59 going to the village hall. Ranworth Village Hall would like to put on record a massive vote of thanks to Sue Hitchcock and Ivan and Monya Grande for their continued organisation and support of this event. The committee would also like to say a big thank you for all the quiz participants continued and very generous support which benefits the two charities. We hope to see you all again next year.

Alison Lucas Collier
Secretary, Ranworth Village Hall Committee

Woodbastwick Art Show

As part of its Flower Festival Weekend the little village of Woodbastwick is again organising an Art Show for local artists to display their work at the Village Hall over the second Bank Holiday weekend in May.

Dates are Saturday 28, Sunday 29 and Monday 30 May 2011. Entries at £3 each will be treated on a first come first served basis as there is limited display space.

To receive an entry form please contact Fred Searle on 01508 493638 or fts.artist@talktalk.net for more details and when applying please include a SAE.

**BARBEQUED
JAZZ**

BARBEQUE

on
the Village Green, The Hill, Ranworth

Friday, 27th May 2011

7.30 pm onwards

Music with the
Tom Harris Jazz Band

Food and Bar

Entry £7 Adults, £3.50 Children.