Dear Friends.

Scarcely a day goes by without the NHS being mentioned in the media. Often the stories focus on shortages – overcrowded A & E departments, not enough beds, long waits for appointments. There is no doubt that the system is under great pressure, but healthcare in this country is still streets ahead of much of the world. Take Ethiopia, for instance.

Ethiopia is a country within an ancient culture and proud history of resisting invaders. It is a land where most people practice a faith, and over 60% are Christian. It is also among the poorest countries in the world. There is no welfare or national healthcare system. Almost everything has to be paid for, and medicines are scarce and expensive imports. As a result, over 90% of Ethiopians who die of cancer do so without receiving a diagnosis. A population of over 90 million is served by just one trained palliative care team called Hospice Ethiopia who support patients coming towards the end of their lives. The team has five members, including the only doctor in the country with a qualification in palliative care. They operate in three districts of the capital, Addis Ababa, serving 900,000 people. They use a rented four-wheel drive vehicle to visit patients in their homes, as they would be vulnerable carrying drugs and medical equipment on public transport. There are no home addresses in Ethiopia, so patients' relatives and friends arrange to meet them at well-known landmarks and guide them to their destination.

It's a tough situation, but help is on the way, in the shape of us. This year's Diocesan Lent Appeal is supporting Hospice Ethiopia. Helen and I are trustees of the hospice Ethiopia UK charity and are very excited by what can be achieved. The appeal target is to raise enough

to pay for the car rental for two or three years, leaving the rest of the charity's budget for medicines, training and salaries. How are we going to support this? Each Monday in Lent we're holding Monday Munch in St. Lawrence's, and every donation will go to the Appeal. There are Gift Aid envelopes available for taxpayers who wish to add to their gift. Together, our small gifts will make a big difference. As we travel through Lent and approach Easter, may this be a time of hope, not just for us, but people facing their life's biggest challenge.

Wishing you a holy Lent and Happy Easter, Nick Garrard



The Bishop's Lent Appeal 2017

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Pastoral Care of Parishioners

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

A really big thank you to ...

... Carol and John Hymus for the work they have put in to make "Carols on the Staithe" such a success. After eight years of organising the evening and having raised over £2000 for the East Anglian Children's Hospice they are sadly stepping down. If there is any one, or more, of you who wish to become involved in this annual village celebration then please ring Nick Garrard on 01603 270769 who will be pleased to provide you with information about it's organisation.

Joint Annual Parochial Church Meeting (Benefice AGM)

This year's Broadside Benefice Annual Meeting takes place on April 26th at Fairhaven School, beginning at 7.30pm. Please come along as we review the past year, elect members to our church councils and look forward to the future over a glass of wine and some cheese!

Clearing out your wardrobes?

St. Martin's Housing Trust in Norwich will gladly take second-hand clothes that are still wearable, but may not be quite up to charity shop standard, for the homeless. This includes all clothing and socks (but no underwear unless new). They will, of course, take items that are up to standard especially warm coats, fleeces, gloves etc. They are based at 45 William Kett Close, Norwich NR1 4FD. Phone 01603 666563 before hand for parking instructions.

Tools with a Mission.....

is a Christian charity sending tools to help people in other countries learn a trade and set up businesses to support their families. Tools with a Mission take all sorts of tools, electrical or manual, working or not and refurbish them before sending abroad. There is a local collection point at Meales (Wayford Bridge) Nursery between Wroxham and Stalham. If you have any unwanted tools, sewing or knitting machines, even computers, printers etc. they will be extremely glad to receive them.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Results 2016

"The total collected in the area for 2016 was £1,914.27 and the amount collected at the British Legion Service held at North Burlingham Church was £280.

Thank you all so very much to the churches, shops, public houses and schools for the tremendous help you gave me in achieving this wonderful total. God bless you all".

Mirri J Colk Local Area Organiser

Prayer and Praise

Prayer and Praise continues every Thursday in St Lawrence's from 7.30pm. As we move through Lent and towards Easter, our worship and prayers will focus on Philippians. This weekly service is a time of quiet reflection to which everyone is invited. Any questions, or for further details, please contact Helen or Elaine 07788 505923.

Ranworth Church Visitors' Centre

VISITOR CENTRE CO-ORDINATOR

Ranworth Parochial Church Council is looking for a co-ordinator to help run it's popular cafe this coming season starting on April 1st.

We are looking for a friendly, easy going, yet organised person to coordinate its daily activities. If you are available Monday to Friday and would like to join us on a self employed basis for and hour and a half (9.30am-11am) each day please contact Nick Garrard for a job description.

Revd. Nick Garrard The Rectory, The Street, South Walsham NR13 6DQ Telephone 01603 270769

Upton Church Organ Renovation News

Work on the repair and restoration of the Holdich organ at St Margaret's Church, Upton, is going full steam ahead at the Weston Longville workshops of organ builder Richard Bower.

The renovations began in September last year, following a successful Heritage Lottery Fund bid, with the whole instrument being dismantled and major parts of it taken away to be worked on by Richard and his team.

Andrew Hayden, organ adviser to the project, has been visiting Weston Longville regularly to see how the work is progressing. He described the standard of workmanship as "excellent". During his last visit Andrew witnessed repairs to the organ casing and saw a new set of foot pedals and new blower box being made.

The wooden platform on which the organ stands has been rebuilt with extra supports to take the weight of the heavy instrument when it is returned to its rightful place. Two medieval tomb stones were uncovered underneath the original platform, one of which relates to a certain Thomas Cossey, who is mentioned in a history of the church, and who lived in the mid 1400s.

Ivan Barnard is continuing his heritage detective work to find out more about Thomas Cossey and about the Holdich organ and how it came to be bought by the Upton congregation in the early 1900s from St Andrew's Church in Norwich. Plans are also in hand for a relaunch of the instrument, with a series of events involving the whole community. It is hoped that the organ will be back on site soon and that Richard Bower and his team can start the intricate rebuilding work.

Organist Jeanette Monument and the whole congregation, which have been singing along to a temporary organ loaned to the church for the duration, will be delighted when their Victorian organ is back in its usual spot. It is hoped to hold a launch event and inaugural concert at St Margaret's sometime in the autumn of this year.

FAIRHAVEN C OF E VA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

After the bustle and excitement of the end of the Christmas term the Spring Term has begun quietly and smoothly.

The winter weather means that there have been fewer sporting commitments although we sent a team to a Sports hall competition where we were the clear winners in the small schools section and even beat many of the larger schools.

Our Key Stage 2 pupils have benefited from specialist tag rugby training from a coach from the Norwich School. Some of the children have taken part in a partnership Tag Rugby competition where, although they played their best on a very cold and wet day, they found the opposition challenging. Despite the weather they enjoyed the day. They are now looking forward to the Cluster Tag Rugby competition later this month.

Dates for your Diaries

THE WOODBASTWICK FESTIVAL

June 9th - 10th - 11th 2017 to include

A Celebration of Flowers In The Church

Art Exhibition In the Village Hall

Cream Teas on the Green

Ample Car Parking Available Toilet Facilities

Tickets £5 to include everything
Art Exhibitors Welcome - Entry Form
available from fts.artist@talktalk.net
01508 493638

The Cluster Poetry and Prose Festival had the children busy learning their words and rehearsing. The hard work paid off with pupils in Years 1 – 4 receiving four gold and four silver certificates and Years 5 & 6 receiving three gold certificates and one silver. It is a fantastic experience for the children to perform on a proper stage, in front of a large audience.

The second half of the term will see our Year 4 pupils making a film with BBC Voices, some of our Year 3 & 4 pupils will take part in the Norfolk Music Festival. We are planning a Family Engineering Day and will be participating in Cluster events.

We are currently looking for a new Midday Supervisor to join our hardworking team. If you enjoy working with children and would like to join our happy team please contact the school office for more details 01603 270224.

CONCERTS 8 AT ST LAWRENCE'S 7

Saturday 25th March — 7.30pm BROADLAND BAND

Saturday 22nd April — 7.30pm

JAZZ UNLIMITED

with Ray Simmons, Phil Brooke, Owen Morgan and Craig Hipperson

Tickets available from St George's Music Shop Tel: 01603 626414 or

by emailing suehitchcock6@gmail.com telephone 01603 270212

EVENT ORGANISERS PLEASE NOTE The next issue of Broadsider covers MAY & JUNE

Deadline: Monday, April 10th
Please send your copy to David Benham
send2broadsider@gmail.com

Monday Munch & Lent Lunches

This year we are incorporating our Lent Lunches with the Monday Munch which will be held every Monday in Lent: 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th March and April 3rd, at St Lawrence's South Walsham from 12.30pm onwards. A simple lunch, drinks and cakes. No charge. All very welcome. Donations will be given to the Diocese of Norwich, Bishop's Lent Appeal which is raising money to provide a car for Hospice Ethiopia to reach those in need of palliative care. Hospice Ethiopia is the only palliative care unit in Ethiopia.

What's on in Holy Week and Easter:

April 9th - 16th

- Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday (April 9th). As we recall Jesus' entry to Jerusalem in triumph, before his arrest and trial, the Benefice churches are joining with Fairhaven School families for a special Palm Sunday Family Service at St. Mary's, South Walsham at 11am.
- ❖ For the next three evenings we will hold **Night Prayer** at 7.30pm at St. Mary's South Walsham, Upton and Woodbastwick churches in turn. This short, simple but moving service will include a series of reflections.
- ❖ At the Passover Meal at St. Lawrence's on Maundy Thursday (April 13th 6.30pm) we recall the Last Supper through food and words from the Jewish Passover and Christian Communion services. There is a small charge for the meal. Please contact Nick or Helen if you wish to attend (01603) 270769.
- ❖ Good Friday's **Family Service** on April 14th at St. Lawrence's, 11am is an allage opportunity to hear and respond to the story of Jesus' crucifixion. **Good Friday Plus** activity morning for children and young people also takes place at St. Lawrence's from 10.00 to 12 Noon with coffee and hot cross buns and coffee for grown ups wishing to stay a while or attend the service.
- At 2pm the Watch by the Cross in St. Margaret's, Upton, Revd. Ron Ingamells will lead an hour of reflections, silence, prayers and music, as we gather to remember the time of Jesus' death.
- Holy Saturday (April 15th) marks the beginning of the Easter celebrations with the **Lighting of the New Fire** at St. Helen's Ranworth at 7.30pm. This candlelit service welcomes back the light of Christ, and in his light we have an opportunity to renew our baptism vows.
- ❖ On Easter morning (April 16th) we join Acle Churches Together for the **Sunrise Service** at St. Mary's Fishley at 5.30am. That feels very early! There is also an invitation for worshippers to make their way to Acle Methodist Church for breakfast afterwards. **Communion** will be celebrated at Upton and Ranworth at 9.30am, and South Walsham and Woodbastwick at 11am.

We hope that you will be able join us as we journey in heart and mind towards the cross and the empty tomb beyond it.

BENEFICE PRAYERS

MARCH

Lent Appeal prayer for Hospice Ethiopia

Remember, Lord, the down-coming of the rains, the plants and the seeds and the fruits of the fields of every year, bless them and make them abundant.

Remember, Lord, the safety of your holy church in Ethiopia; for all its cities and countryside. Remember, Lord, those who are afflicted and distressed, and for the Hospice Ethiopia team working to relieve their suffering.

Remember, Lord, us, your servants here, that we may give of our abundance to meet their needs.

Remember, Lord, our fathers and mothers, our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep and gone to their rest.

Remember, Lord, your servants, the poor who are under oppression, have pity upon them and keep them in faith and make them a dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. We ask this through our spiritual joy and love of humankind.

- Amen

Based on Ethiopian evening litany.

APRIL

Easter Prayer

Lord of life

We pray for all who bring your word of life as a light to those in darkness;

For those who bring your word of peace to those enslaved by fear;

For those who bring your word of love to those in need of comfort.

Lord of love and Lord of peace

Lord of resurrection life be known through our lives.

Amen

Read more at: www.faithandworship.com/prayers_easter.htm

SUNDAY BY SUNDAY PRAYERS

March 5th - Pray for the Lent Appeal for Hospice Ethiopia and the Monday Munch Team in this busy period. For Richard Dewing, Reader and the Ministry Team and all who read, lead prayers and assist in our worship, eucharistic ministers and servers. For more people to grow in service and offer themselves for Reader or Ordained ministry.

March 12th - For the work of Christian Aid, and a fairer sharing of the earth's resources among its people.

March 19th - Pray for our local hospitals, their staff, chaplains and patients. 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.

March 26th - Give thanks for mothers. For the work of the Mothers' Union and all who support family life in this area. Pray for the work of Parochial Church Councils in our Benefice; their Secretaries, Treasurers, Vice-Chairs and Electoral Roll Officers.

April 2nd - Pray for Steven Betts, Archdeacon of Norfolk, Nick Garrard our Rural Dean, Keith Gerrard, Lay Chair and our Deanery Synod representatives. For our ministry to visitors. For the Committee and helpers at the Visitor Centre.

April 9th - Pray for our links with other churches. For Churches Together on the Broads and the ecumenical Broads Chaplaincy. For the Great Yarmouth Food Bank, giving thanks for the support we provide locally. For God's guidance and our faithfulness in our journey through Holy Week.

April 16th - Give thanks that Jesus Christ is our risen Lord. Pray for our organists and church musicians.

April 23rd - Pray for the estates and farms of this Benefice. For local businesses, pubs and shopkeepers. For Fairhaven Trust and Norfolk Wildlife Trust Visitor Centres. For Bible translators and distributors.

April 30th - The congregations of our churches. That we may continue to grow and reach out to the wider community.

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, March 5 th Lent 1		_		
Ranworth	9.30am	Morning Praver		
Upton	9.30am	Family Service		
South Walsham	11.00am	Morning Praver		
Woodbastwick	11.00am	Holy Communion		
Fishley	3.00pm	Evensong		
Sunday, March 12th Lent 2				
Ranworth	9.30am	_ Holy Communion followed by Vestry Meeting		
Upton	9.30am	Holy Communion		
South Walsham	11.00am	Holy Communion followed by Vestry Meeting		
Woodbastwick	_ 11.00am	_ Family Service		
Sunday, March 19th Lent 3				
Ranworth	8.00am	_ Holy Communion		
Ranworth	9.30am	Family Service		
Fishlev	9.30am	Holy Communion		
South Walsham	_ 11.00am	_ Holy Communion		
Woodbastwick	_ 11.00am	_ Holy Communion followed by Vestry Meeting		
Sunday, March 26th Mothering	Sunday Len	t 4		
Ranworth	9.30am	_ Holy Communion		
Upton	9.30am	_ Family Service		
St Lawrence's, South Walsham	_ 10.00am	_ Mothering Sunday Plus		
South Walsham	11.00am	Family Service with SEYO		
Woodbastwick	_ 11.00am	_ Family Service		
Sunday, April 2 nd Lent 5				
Ranworth	9.30am	Morning Prayer		
Upton	9.30am	_ Holy Communion followed by Vestry Meeting		
South Walsham	11.00am	Bitternes Service		
Fishley	3.00pm	_ Evensong		
Sunday, April 9th Palm Sunday				
Ranworth	9.30am	Holy Communion		
RanworthSouth Walsham	_ 11.00am	Benefice Family Service		
Sunday, April 16th Easter Sunda				
Fishley	5.30am	Sunrise Service		
Ranworth	9.30am	Holy Communion		
Upton	9.30am	Holy Communion		
South Walsham	11.00am	Holy Communion		
Woodbastwick	11.00am	Holy Communion		
Sunday, April 23 rd Second Sunday of Easter				
Ranworth	9.30am	Holy Communion		
Upton	9.30am	Morning Praver		
Upton St Lawrence's, South Walsham	11.00am	Family Service		
Woodbastwick	_ 11.00am	Morning Prayer		
Fishley	6.00pm	_ Evensong		
Sunday, April 30th Third Sunday of Easter				
Ranworth	9.30am	Holy Communion		
Ranworth	11.00am	Benefice Holy Communion		
Sunday, May 7 th Fourth Sunday of Easter				
Ranworth	9.30am	Morning Prayer		
Unton	9.30am	Holy Communion		
South Walsham	_ 11.00am	_ Family Service and Baptism		
Woodbastwick	_ 11.00am	Holy Communion		
Fishley	3.00pm	_ Evensong		
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OTHER CHURCH SERVICES DURING

LENT AND EASTER

Wednesday, March 1 st at South Walsham 7.00p Thursday, March 2 nd at St Lawrence's 7.30p Thursday, March 9 th at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Lent Prayer and Praise			
Thursday, March 16th at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Lent Prayer and Praise			
Thursday, March 23rd at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Lent Prayer and Praise			
Thursday, March 30th at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Lent Prayer and Praise			
Thursday, April 6th at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Lent Prayer and Praise			
Monday, April 10th South Walsham Church _ 7.30p	om Night Prayer			
Tuesday, April 11th Upton Church 7.30p	om _ Night Prayer			
Wednesday, April 12 th Woodbastwick Church 7.30pm Night Prayer				
Friday, April 14th Good Friday				
St Lawrence's 10.00a	am Good Friday Plus			
St Lawrence's 11.00a	am Family Service			
Upton Church 2.00p	om Watch by the Cross			
Saturday, April 15th Easter Eve	\ /			
Ranworth Church 7.30p	om Lighting of the New Fire			
Thursday, April 20th at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Prayer and Praise			
Thursday, April 27th at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Prayer and Praise			
Thursday, May 4th at St Lawrence's 7.30p	om Prayer and Praise			

MEETINGS & VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

March

	Wednesday Monday 12.30	7.30pm -4.30pm 7.30pm	South Walsham W.I South Walsham Village Hall Monday Munch - St.Lawrence's, South Walsham Deanery Synod - St Edmund's, Acle
7 th T	Tuesday	2.30pm	Womens' Fellowship - Upton Village Hall
9 th T	Thursdáy i	10.30am	Upton Organ Committee - The Rectory, South Walsham
10 th F	riday	7.15pm	South Walsham Quiz & Chips Prelim. 3 – South Walsham VH
13 th N	Monday 12.30	-4.30pm	Monday Munch - St.Lawrence's, South Walsham
	,	7.45pm	Ministry Team - The Rectory, South Walsham
20th Monday 12.30-4.30pm			Monday Munch - St.Lawrence's, South Walsham
		7.30pm	St Lawrence's AGM and Social Evening - St. Lawrence's
21st T	Tuesday	7.30pm	Ranworth Ladies Group - The Coffee Shop, The Staithe, Ranworth
	,	•	"The Corner Shop" with Barry Holdstock
24 th F	riday	7.15pm	South Walsham Quiz & Chips Grand Final – South Walsham VH
25 th Saturday10.30am-noon		am-noon	Visitors' Centre Volunteers Coffee Morning – Visitors' Centre
	•	7.30pm	Concert: Broadland Concert Band – St.Lawrence's, Sth. Walsham
27 th N	Monday 12.30	-4.30pm	Monday Munch - St.Lawrence's, South Walsham
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`		7.45pm	Ministry Team – The Rectory, South Walsham
4 th T	Tuesday	2.30pm	Womens' Fellowship – Upton Village Hall
5 th V	Vednesday	7.30pm	South Walsham W.I South Walsham Village Hall
13 th T	Thursday	6.30pm	Passover Meal – St.Lawrence's, South Walsham
18 th T	Tuesday	7.30pm	Ranworth Ladies Group – The Coffee Shop, The Staithe, Ranworth
			"Redwings Horse Sanctuary" with Helen Whitelegg.
26 th V	Vednesday	7.30pm	Broadside Benefice AGM - Fairhaven School, South Walsham