

The Broadsider

The bi-monthly magazine of the Broadside Parishes of

Ranworth with Panxworth, South Walsham, Upton and Woodbastwick



November 2012

Dear Friends,

Last week Helen and I were sitting in the gallery of a small chapel in Tiptree, near Colchester. My cousin's husband was being inducted as their new minister and as we sat there, waiting for the service to begin, I noticed a marble tablet high up on the wall, next to the organ. It was placed there in memory of the Revd. Charles Lowe, their minister for 30 years until his death on 1st February 1858, aged 60. Underneath was inscribed

***He was a faithful, diligent and devoted servant of Jesus Christ
on whose merits fully trusting he died happily as he had lived usefully.***

The Victorians certainly put things differently! No one these days would word a memorial like this. But why not praise someone for having lived a useful life? We live in a more individualistic age, where personal achievements become our badges of distinction. To say what matters most about us is how well we serve God and other people takes us back to a time when community and society were considered more important than the individuals who comprised it. It may also take us forward to a future in which the needs of each person and society as a whole are more equally balanced.

But how do we become useful? Charles Lowe's memorial describes him as a 'minister', meaning 'servant.' In Victorian times, everyone knew what a servant was. Fans of 'Downton Abbey' will also be familiar with a fictional version of life 'below stairs.' For some young people, it was their pathway into adulthood, to marriage or different employment. For others, it was a lifelong career path. A large establishment like Downton Abbey would have a whole range of outdoor and indoor roles, some general, others skilled and specialised. I knew a lady whose father was electrician at Carrow House, the first home in Norwich to have electric power. The Victorian electricity supply was so unreliable he had to work a seven-day week.

The roles carried out by Servants (and slaves) were familiar in New Testament times, too. St. Paul wrote to the Corinthian church, ***There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord (1 Corinthians 1.5)***. In other words, whatever we do for other people in God's name is of equal value to the services that our fellow Christians render him. Each is just as important, just as precious to God. The high-flyer has no room for pride, the solid but unspectacular worker no reason to feel dejected. It would be a dull world and probably a dysfunctional one too if we were all prima donnas. We may be content to have our life summed up like Charles Lowe's, in a sentence containing words like 'useful' and 'happy'.

With all good wishes,

Nick Garrard

PS. One more distributor is needed to join the Upton Team. If you could spare an hour seven times a year to deliver 'The Broadsider' to one of our rounds in Upton, I would be delighted to hear from you. This would be of great service to many of our regular readers there.





Ordination at Ranworth church

The first Service of Ordination in the history of St Helen's church, Ranworth, took place on September 29th. It was the day Helen Garrard had been working towards in so many ways since deciding to join husband Nick, working as a priest in the Anglican ministry. For members of the congregation and for those taking part in the service, it was a very joyful occasion. Helen's relatives, friends, personal and those with whom she works, and also members from our benefice congregations packed the church to witness the event and afterwards to congratulate her at a supper held in Ranworth Village Hall.

Ranworth Visitors' Centre

We are having a get-together for all our volunteers on Saturday 3rd November between 10.30 and 12 noon. A big "thank you" for all your help this summer, we couldn't survive without your continued support. There have been times this year when we thought we might have to close on a particular day but we have managed to open every day thanks to volunteers stepping in at the last minute.

The dates of the winter weekends will be displayed at the get-together, if you could do even just one Saturday or Sunday afternoon 2pm to 5pm we should be very grateful if you would put your name down. Also, if anyone new feels they might like to help us please come along on 3rd November or ring Lee on 01603 270340.

Christmas Hamper Raffle

Our Christmas hamper raffle has become an annual event thanks to the kind donations from people within our four parishes. So we are again appealing for non-perishable, in-date food or drink to fill a hamper or two. Donations can be left in the marked box at the back of St. Mary's Church, South Walsham or given to Sue Kemp 01603 270642 or Lee Smith 01603 270340. The hamper(s) will be raffled at the Christmas Craft Fayre in St. Lawrence's, South Walsham on Saturday, 10th November.

We thank you for supporting this event the proceeds of which go to the four churches in our benefice.



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 below.

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Thank you . . .

. . . to Elaine Brown and the Acle St. Edmund Youth Orchestra for a lively and enjoyable concert at St. Margaret's Upton, raising £246 for the Organ Appeal.

Finally, thank you to everyone who supported Helen at her ordination and first communion celebration at the end of September. We have been very encouraged by everyone's warm support, prayers, good wishes and gifts.

Nick Garrard

Remembrance Sunday Services

On November 11th there will be Services of Remembrance at St. Margaret's, Upton and St. Andrew's, North Burlingham (also for the villages of South Walsham, Panxworth, Ranworth, and Woodbastwick) at 10.45am. The names of all who gave their lives from these communities will be remembered by name and the collection will go to the Royal British Legion Poppy Fund, supporting ex-service personnel and their families in our age of continuing conflicts.

Sunday Plus

This month Sunday Plus will also meet on Remembrance Sunday at St. Lawrence's, with activities and worship to mark the day. We offer a very warm welcome to children of all ages and accompanying adults are welcome to take part in activities or join us for coffee and pastries and Sunday papers from 10 am to 12 noon.

HOST at Christmas

London 2012 brought talented people to Britain. But did you know this happens every year? Thousands of bright young men and women come to study at our universities. Sadly, most have no contact with British people outside the campus. Some miss their families; many are curious about the real life of Britain. That's why HOST arranges for them to spend a day, weekend or 3 days at Christmas as guests in hospitable homes. This is a great opportunity to get to know someone from another country, and help them to feel welcome. As a volunteer host, you could enjoy introducing a student of your choice to your way of life and perhaps to their very first Christmas. Please call David on 01508 483 838 or see www.hostuk.org.

Administrative Assistant

As you may already be aware, Mrs. Chris Bond has been working as Administrative Assistant since the beginning of September. She is based at the Rectory for four hours a week, mainly on Wednesdays and Thursdays and you can leave messages for her at other times by e-mail at broadsiderectory.chrisbond@gmail.com

FROM THE REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

❖ at St Mary's, South Walsham ❖

August 26th

Imogen May Hand

&

Rose Elizabeth Whiles

❖ at St Mary's, South Walsham ❖

September 23rd

George Samuel Reginald Blyth

FUNERALS

❖ at St Mary's, South Walsham ❖

August 9th

Karen Dawn Watson

❖ at St Margaret's, Upton ❖

September 8th

Elizabeth Anne Colborne

❖ at St Faith's Crematorium ❖

October 3rd

Daphne Armstrong

❖ at St Faith's Crematorium ❖
followed by a Service of Thanksgiving at
St Helen's, Ranworth

October 17th

Eric James Brunger

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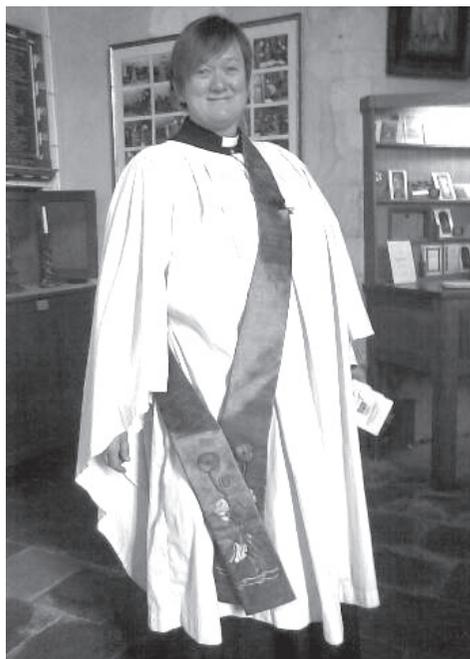
❖ Colney Wood Burial Park ❖

October 4th

Daphne Armstrong

Ordination Gift

To celebrate Helen Garrard's ordination on Saturday 29th September the Ranworth Ladies Sewing Group, under the guidance of Mrs Audrey Kinder, presented her with a handsome green stole embroidered with emblems of the Broads including a beautiful swallowtail butterfly, wild flowers and little fishes.



Cancer counselling centre opens in Great Yarmouth

Big C has recently opened a counselling centre above their charity shop at 33 Regent St Gt Yarmouth. If cancer is in your life, this is a place where you can find the support and information that you need. The centre covers a wide range of subjects: Counselling, Ask the nurse sessions, Nutritional information, Complementary Therapies {massage, reflexology}, a Cup of Tea and Listening Ear. and Family Therapy. The counselling rooms are laid out in a homely manner to enable discussions to take place in a relaxed atmosphere and there are facilities to keep young children occupied.

These centres rely on funding from donations and from proceeds from the charity shops. The Yarmouth charity shop would be particularly grateful for donations of furniture as there is a great need for it in the Yarmouth area. **If you have unwanted furniture to donate that you cannot deliver, Big C will collect it from you if you phone the Norwich branch on 01603 619900.**

If you would like to know more about Big C their website is www.big-c.co.uk

Liz Deveson



Samaritan's Purse Service

On November 25th we will gather at St. Margaret's Upton for this year's Samaritan's Purse Service, beginning at 11am. For many years, local residents, pupils from Fairhaven School and South Walsham Guides have provided shoeboxes full of simple gifts for children in Eastern Europe and Africa who would otherwise receive nothing for Christmas. If you'd like to find out how to help, please pick up a leaflet from the back of our churches. We will also welcome pupils from the Broadside villages who've joined Reception classes this autumn at Fairhaven and Salhouse Schools and their families to receive gift books provided by our churches.

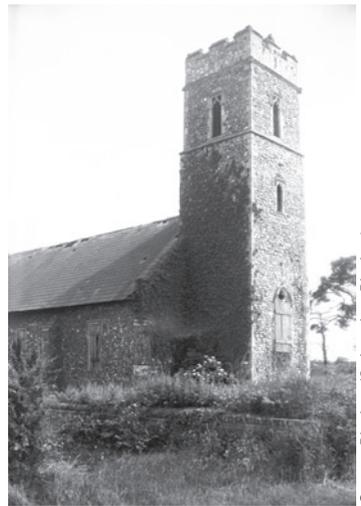
Money to raise for the tower of All Saints.

Ranworth and Panxworth PCC have accepted an £80,000 grant from English Heritage, to stabilise and conserve the appearance of Panxworth church tower and the surrounding churchyard area. This will save the tower from demolition, collapse or re-development and maintain it as the beacon we all know. The churchyard will be maintained as an area where anyone can stop for a moment of time, and enjoy a place where we can reflect and find peace and a special place for wildlife. This for both current and future generations.

A £6,000 grant has already been accepted from Broadland District Council to put towards the anticipated total cost of £106,000. English Heritage make awards via a funding formula and it will not make any further grant award in the event of the project costing more than the anticipated £106,000, however any underspend of up to 10% will not be penalised by a reduction in grant, as English Heritage recognise that we are dealing with estimated costs. Other grant making charities whose aims match those of this project are being approached and it is anticipated that further grants will be forthcoming.

If we are to gain the support of such charities, it is clear that they will want to see determined, local effort in raising funds and this has already started during 2012 with a barbeque at the tower and other small events but it needs expanding during the coming year. It is these efforts which, however small, will see the project fully funded. The tower can never be the responsibility of one small village and the tower's position, in the middle of nowhere, is such that those passing by will feel compelled to be part of this story. So the purpose of this little article is not just to inform you of the situation but to ask you to continue the spirit of the summer; to create your own symbol of Jubilee and Olympic success; to become involved and lend a hand in helping this much loved landmark – perhaps a sponsored knit, the proceeds of a painting, a garage sale or 'buy a flint'. The ideas are endless but we need you and your individual ideas and efforts to mobilise some good "wartime" results on this project. And here to steal a phrase – "Every little helps". Or was it already stolen?

Les Cook is the co-ordinator for the financial aspects of your fundraising. He can be contacted on 01603 270655. If you need some guidance on how you might take this further then speak to any member of the PCC.



George Plunkett (© Jonathan Plunkett)

The Photographs of George Plunkett

In trying to find photographs of All Saints, Panxworth as it was with the nave still standing, I stumbled across a massive collection of old photographs of Norwich and Norfolk taken by George Plunkett. Remarkable in so many ways but most importantly they tell a story of our county and city as they both once were in a moment of time. Jonathan, his son, has published these photographs online at:

www.georgeplunkett.co.uk

and has given permission for the two photographs dating from 1978 to be used here.



George Plunkett (© Jonathan Plunkett)



Mary Benham 2011

Ranworth Fireworks Night

Ranworth fireworks night will be held on 3rd November, on The Hill, Ranworth from 6pm, with kind permission of Charles Cator. The bonfire will be lit 6-6.30pm and fireworks commence from 6.30pm. Price is £4 Adults, £2 Children/OAPs. Refreshments will be on sale. Hope to see you there for Guy Fawkes Fun!

Ranworth Village Hall Committee

Ranworth Village Hall is currently looking for new committee members. The work typically involves 8-9 meetings a year, and helping to organise and run 6 annual events including the annual fete and beer festival. We would also welcome residents of Panxworth who would like to join. If you can spare a few hours a month then contact us at ranworthvhc@gmail.com or telephone Paul Tree (chairman) on 01603 270580.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANCEL REPAIR LIABILITY IN THE PARISHES OF SOUTH WALSHAM AND UPTON

Recently there has been some concern expressed locally about chancel repair liability.

Following consultation with the Diocesan Registry, I wish to confirm that there is no liability attached to land in the parishes of South Walsham and Upton for the repair of the chancels of St. Mary's, St. Lawrence's or St. Margaret's churches.

Nicholas Garrard

Chairman of South Walsham and Upton PCC

24th September 2012

Carol Singing in our villages

The Broadside Choir will hold "A Miscellany of Carols" concert at the St Lawrence Centre, **South Walsham** on Thursday, 13th December at 7.30 pm. All proceeds will go towards the Ranworth Church Roof Fund. Tickets £5 each.

There will be singing around **Upton** this year on Monday, 17th December, starting from outside the Village Hall at 6.30pm and ending up at the White Horse with mulled wine and mince pies! In aid of the Organ Fund.

For those who love singing carols round the village please note Tuesday, 18th December in **Woodbastwick**, when we meet on the Green at 6pm and finish at the Fur & Feather.

On Thursday, 20th December at 6.30pm there will be our annual, festive get-together to sing carols on **Ranworth Staithe**. Everyone is welcome and your donations will go to local charity.

Ranworth Christmas Fayre

A new Christmas Fayre will be held in Ranworth Village Hall, Saturday, 1st December, 11am – 4pm. There will be stalls selling gifts and produce for Christmas, refreshments available, and a raffle at 3pm. Father Christmas will be in attendance and children are welcome to bring their Christmas lists for him. Come and enjoy the festive atmosphere with us. We look forward to seeing you there!

Want to save on your heating oil?

Norfolk Rural Community Council in partnership with Anglia Farmers Affinity has set up a domestic oil bulk buying scheme with the aim of providing rural communities with cheaper central heating fuel. If you live in the parishes of Woodbastwick, Ranworth & Panxworth, and would like more information and to start saving money please call Maggie Manton on 01603 270803 or email ammanton@btinternet.com

Event Organisers — Please Note

The next issue of Broadsider covers December.

Copy deadlines are on the 10th of each month before each issue.

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BENEFICE PRAYERS

FOR NOVEMBER:

A PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY

To God the Father,
who first loved us and made us accepted in the Beloved;
to God the Son,
who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood;
to God the Holy Ghost,
who sheds the love of God abroad in our hearts,
be all love and all glory, for time and for eternity.

Amen.

Bishop Thomas Ken 1637-1711

SUNDAY BY SUNDAY PRAYERS

November 4th

Pray for our Churchwardens, Mark Cator and John Ley (Ranworth), Margaret Mallett (South Walsham), James Chaplin and Bill Monument (Upton), Alby Cator and Tony Potter (Woodbastwick) and their Deputy Wardens.

November 11th

Pray for the work of the Royal British Legion and all who support service personnel and their families. For all who work for peace. Pray for our local health centres, doctors' surgeries and dental practices; for all who provide health and social care in our area.

November 18th

Pray for Peace in the World.

November 25th

Pray for the work of the Church Mission Society. For the work of Samaritan's Purse, and the children who will receive shoebox gifts for Christmas. For children who have joined Salhouse and Fairhaven Schools this term.

December 2nd

Pray for the work of the Children's Society. For Archdeacon Steven Betts, Paul Cubitt, our Rural Dean, Keith Gerrard, Deanery Lay Chair.



The November Calendar

= Children's Activities

BC = Benefice Choir

3	Sat	10.30am-noon	Ranworth Visitors' Centre. Volunteers "End of Season" Get-together at the Centre. <i>Anyone interested in volunteering during winter weekends and/or during the main season next year will be made very welcome.</i>	
		6pm	Ranworth Fireworks Night	The Hill, Ranworth
4	Sun	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Ranworth
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Upton
		11am	Morning Prayer	South Walsham
		11am	Holy Communion	Woodbastwick
5	Mon	10.30am	Upton Organ Committee	2 Southend, Upton
6	Tue	2.30pm	Womens' Fellowship	Upton Village Hall
		7.30pm	Woodbastwick Ladies Club.	Woodbastwick Village Hall
		7.45pm	Tuesday Group	The Rectory, South Walsham
7	Wed	7.30pm	South Walsham WI	South Walsham Village Hall
10	Sat	10am-4pm	St Lawrence's Christmas Craft Market	St Lawrence's
11	Sun	10am-12noon	Remembrance Sunday Plus	St Lawrence's
		10.45am	South Walsham Royal British Legion Remembrance Service at St. Andrews, North Burlingham Church	Upton
		10.45am	Remembrance Sunday Service	Ranworth Visitors' Centre
12	Mon	7.30pm	Ranworth PCC	Reedham
		7.30pm	Deanery Synod	The Rectory, South Walsham
13	Tue	7.45pm	Tuesday Group	St. Lawrence's
17	Sat	7.30pm	Student Concert	
18	Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Ranworth
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Upton
		11am	Holy Communion	South Walsham
		11am	Holy Communion	Woodbastwick
20	Tue	7.30pm	Ranworth Ladies Club. "The History of the Norfolk Broads" with Brian Hedge. Please contact Sue Hitchcock on 01603 270212	
22	Thur	7.45pm	Children's Leaders Meeting	The Rectory, South Walsham
25	Sun	11am	Samaritan's Purse Joint Service BC	Upton
		6.30pm	Deanery Evening Service	St. David's, Thorpe End
26	Mon	7.45pm	South Walsham & Upton PCC	St Lawrence's
27	Tue	7.45pm	Advent Group	The Rectory, South Walsham

*1st Sunday
All Saints' Sunday*

*2nd Sunday
Remembrance Sunday*

*3rd Sunday
2nd Sunday
before Advent*

*4th Sunday
Christ the King*

December

1	Sat	11am-4pm	Ranworth Christmas Fayre	Ranworth Village Hall
2	Sun	9.30am	Christingle	Ranworth
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Upton
		11am	Holy Communion	Woodbastwick
		6.30pm	Advent Hymns and Readings	South Walsham

*1st Sunday
Advent 1*