

Church and Village News for 5 Villages August 2023

Bedfield, Monk Soham, Southolt, Tannington and Worlingworth

August Events

WORLINGWORTH LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Our next meeting will take place at the Community Centre on Monday August 14th at 7.30pm. We shall be holding our Annual General Meeting (which does not take very long!) and then introducing our speaker, art historian Tania Harrington, who will be talking to us about **“18th Century Portraiture in Art.”** Did you know that, if you wanted to have your portrait painted, it would cost a few guineas extra to have your hands included?

Members £2 and Guests £4. Tea and coffee will be available. Further details about membership of the Worlingworth Local History Group are also available if you phone Geoff on 628768

Worlingworth Social Club Proudly Presents:

Friday 25th August

Worlingworth Community Centre

Free Entry!

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Live music 8pm till late



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Singing songs by the likes of Garth Brooks, Tim McGraw, Travis Tritt & Billy Ray Cyrus, as well as groups such as Eagles, Lonestar, Doctor Hook, The Mavericks and The Travelling Willburies.



Statement from the Rural Dean, Revd Canon Susan Loxton

First, I want to apologise for not letting you all know sooner what was happening with Revd David Mulrenan. I did not want to act in haste, and wanted to give us all time to think things through.

Most of us appreciate that the Church needs to change in order to thrive and be fit for purpose. We also recognise that sometimes there will be different and strongly held views on how this should be accomplished, and this can lead to disagreements.

Some of these changes will, also be very demanding of the time and resources of those directly involved in delivering them, at least initially.

However, we believe that we are building a team in the benefice that can identify and deliver those necessary changes.

David holds different views on some aspects of the project and was also concerned about the amount of his limited free time it would consume and decided that it was not something he wished to commit to. However, he remains supportive of Revd Enid and her team.

In the meantime, David is being deployed elsewhere in the deanery where we are short of clergy. This is not only helpful to the parishes but will also give David experience in other churches, which I know he is enjoying. Please pray for the ministry of all our churches.

God bless, Revd Susan

Southolt Village News.

Once again we are supporting Suffolk Historic Churches Bike Ride on Saturday 9th September 9am-5pm. St.Margaret's Chapel will be open to show off our new plaque, remembering Peggy Mutton who supported so many of our activities. Get involved and support our Church. Details from Maureen Flannery 01728628094 .



Worlingworth supports Suffolk Historic Churches Bike ride

The Bike Ride celebrates 50 years in 2023.

So please get on your bike and support this event

Details from Nora on 01728 628316.

All over the Arctic you will find strange stone markers. When I first lived there they made no sense to me whatsoever. However, once they have been explained, it becomes obvious. First there are either one or two very tall rocks standing together. These have the purpose of either keeping meat safe from the dogs or wild animals, or sometimes to form a safe storage area for winter clothes and winter tents during the brief arctic summer (Inuit people didn't always live in igloos and very rarely do so now.)

Then there are Inuksuk which are indicators of the past. These might just indicate where to hunt caribou for instance (in which case they are often in the shape of a human being, supposedly to scare the caribou,) where a good fishing spot is, or where to locate caches of food. They may even be a warning making you aware of danger or hazardous conditions. Inuksuk are also used to record significant human events. Unsurprisingly, Inuksuit (plural) are treated with great respect.

This tradition arose over thousands of years in an oral culture, so it had to be visual of course. When you think about it, that is not so very different to us. Our culture has evolved on a different time line, but in the distant past we had cairns, stone markers of significant places and even structures like Stonehenge. Today, we still have markers of a kind, in the form of things like statues, plaques, grave headstones, and ancient buildings, including churches.

We can however, get overly attached to old things and old ways of being, especially as we ourselves age; but it is a fact that everything has to adapt or face the reality of diminishing and then dying. Christians believe that God gives us very clear sign posts to follow into the future, and equally quite stern warnings to those who drag their heels or seek to return to the past. In fact, Christians believe that there really is no new ground, because Jesus always goes before us preparing the way. We build on the past constantly, and in doing so, honour both it and the future we are working towards. Keep looking for the new sign posts!

Blessings. Revd Enid



*The next meeting of the Parish Council is on
Wednesday 16th August 2023 at 7.30pm
in the Community Centre*

*All are welcome
worlingworthparishclerk@gmail.com*

Your Christmas Tractor Run Needs You!



Many of you will have enjoyed the Christmas Tractor Run through the village over the last couple of years. The Parish Council is looking to organise the event again, with the date already booked for **Saturday 16th December**.

Councillor Kevin Love is going to take the lead, but he needs volunteers to come forward to help with various tasks before and on the day (e.g. decorating, organising refreshments, or acting as marshals at the various stops throughout the village to name but a few).

If you could spare a bit of time to help organise this fun community event then please let the Parish Clerk (or Kevin!) know and we will organise a meeting to get the ball rolling for this year's event.

New Councillors

The Parish Council is pleased to welcome Rupert Precious and Roland Bright, who were co-opted to become Councillors at our July meeting. This now brings our Council back to a full complement of nine, all of whom are volunteers who give up their time freely for the benefit of the village and community.

Autumn Tidy – Cancellation

Unfortunately, the decision has been taken to cancel the Autumn Tidy, which was planned for 14th October. This is due to the poor turnout at the Spring Clean and unfortunately a lack of volunteers to come forward to help organise the Autumn event. The Parish Council will review the situation in the new year.

Website Update Emails

If you would like to subscribe to a mailing list to receive notifications of when updates have been posted to the village website, please email worlingworthparishclerk@gmail.com with "PC Alerts" in the subject line. Your email address will not be used for any other purpose.

Have you just moved in to Worlingworth, or do you know of someone who has? Please contact Jane Butler on 01728 628330 so she can deliver a copy of the "Worlingworth Welcome Pack", free to all newcomers to the village.

Report from St Marys Church :

The open gardens were successful again this year with over £900.00 raised for Church Funds

Thank you to those who opened their gardens, donated cakes, helped in the church and gave raffle prizes. Thank you to those who placed flowers in the church, it looked very welcoming to visitors and for the evening Songs of Praise..

BEDFIELD AND MONK SOHAM GARDENING CLUB



Thank you to all who supported our plant stall, in various ways, at the Bedfield and Monk Soham Fete. We hope you enjoyed the various plants available at affordable prices. Despite the difficult season, we raised a total of £211.85p, from which a donation will be made to the Community Hub fund.

Our plant stall can still be found at Daisy Cottage, Long Green, Bedfield, IP13 7JD, and has some of the surplus plants from the fete. Please do still donate any labelled plants.



Our **August meeting** on the **18th 7pm** and will be one of our popular 'Warts 'n All' garden visits. Our host garden is Bulls Hall Cottage, Tannington Road, Bedfield. IP13 7JB. It's difficult to be precise, but to qualify you must offer a garden with 'warts'! We then have a friendly relaxed evening, sharing constructive ideas on design/ planting etc. For further information, please contact Barbara Lee gardenclubgarden@gmail.com

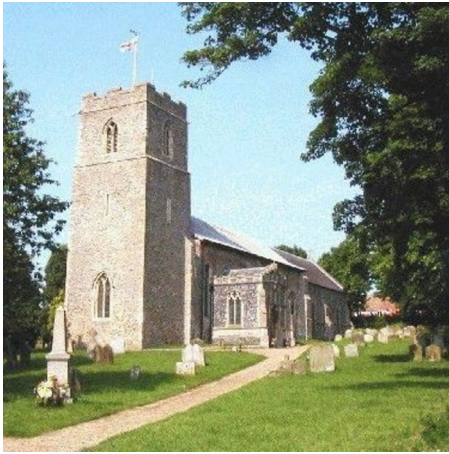
Pizza nights at the Swan

Due to wedding early August the next ones will be August 17th and 31st To order

pizza please call

07921 512052





**There's so much coming up in Bedfield -
Something for Everyone!
Get Involved and Save the Dates!**

9th September: Ride and Stride[^]

A sponsored walk or ride on a bike, horse or in a classic car around local churches to raise money for the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and St Nicholas Church. See www.shct.org.uk/ride-and-stride or contact Kathy Thurman 01728 628470 for sponsor forms and a list of participating churches.

9th September: 7pm Bedfield Quiz Night at St Nicholas Church[^]

Form a team of four/five players to a pew. All sorts of topics to get your grey matter going and a raffle too! £24 a pew – includes a Deli Snack bag at half time. Drinks will be available to purchase.

23rd Sept: 10.30am - 12. The Annual Macmillan Coffee Morning at Daisy Cottage, Long Green[^]

Enjoy delicious homemade cakes from the cafe, a cake stall so you can take cake home and a tombola so you can win even more cake!

30th September: Bedfield Choir at St Nicholas Church*

Come and sing in the choir led by the amazing Yula Andrews (Pop Chorus) for a rehearsal and a performance of songs from the 1960s onwards. No experience/ability to read music required – just an eagerness to give it a go and have fun! All are welcome to the performance. Refreshments provided.

TBC Nov/Dec: Christmas wreath making session*

Join a creative session making beautiful wreaths, door swags and table decorations under the expert tuition of Susan Leverick. The items will then go on sale at the Christmas Craft stalls.

2nd December: Festive Frolic[^]

An online sale of various homemade festive foods and other items. For details of how to join in with the 2023 Festive Frolic contact Debra Pritchard.

8th December: 4:30-8pm Craft Stall, Christmas on the Hill, Framlingham* and

16th December: Christmas Craft Stall on Market Hill, Framlingham*

Come and buy our wonderful Christmas wreaths, door swags, table decorations & home-made craft items. For pre-ordering wreaths, swags & table decorations - contact Susan Leverick: 07876 686710.

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These events are being organised by the:

*** Friends of Bedfield Heritage**

and the **^ Parochial Church Council**

We are raising funds for projects such as the village composting toilet and for the running of St Nicholas Church. Unless stated - exact timings, entry fees and full details will be confirmed closer to each event. We always need help before, during and after such events. If you are willing and able to assist – with baking cakes, making craft items, supplying raffle prizes, serving refreshments or in any other way, no matter how big or small - your contribution would be welcome!

What are you waiting for?? Please contact the following to sign up, join in and/or help:

*Jane Sullivan – 07580 386015

^Debra Pritchard 07827 299490

Items for September Magazine newsletter by 19th August to Val Swallow :
v.swallow44@btinternet.com or by post to: Ivy Cottage, Shop St Worlingworth
IP13 7HX If you require a PDF please email the editor.

Help Please

Recently this newsletter transferred printing to a local company “Tuddenham Press”, which is in Henley Square. This saves approx. £30.00 per month.

The downside of this is that it isn't delivered to the editor's home and has to be picked up.

I am asking for anyone who travels to Ipswich who could pick up 2 boxes during 9am to 5.00pm. (approx.. date 25th to 29th of the month)

Until the newsletter is complete the day of the week will not be exact.

If you could help I will create a list and contact you when I know it is ready to pick up.

Thanks in advance Val Swallow (editor) v.swallow44@btinternet.com 01728 628068

Four Rivers August Church Services.

Benefice 9 Churches 2023	Sunday 6th. after Trinity 9 Proper 13	Sunday 13th. after Trinity 10 Proper 14	Sunday 20th. after Trinity 11 Proper 15	Sunday 27th. after Trinity 12 Proper 16
St. Nicholas Bedfield.	10.30 Holy Communion CS	10.30 Family Service CS		
St. Peter. Monk Soham.	11.00 Family Service RA		11.00 Holy Communion BCP RA	11.00 Morning Prayer RA
St. Ethelbert. Tannington. St. Margaret. Southolt.*				
St. Mary. Worlingworth.	11.00 Morning Prayer CW EP Banns	11.00 Let's Celebrate St.Mary Patronal EP Banns	11.00 Morning Prayer CW LLM MS Banns	11.00 Holy Communion CM
St. Lawrence Brundish.	6.00pm. Village Worship CS	6.00pm. Village Worship LE SP		6.00pm. Holy Communion CM
St. Mary. Cratfield.	6.00pm. Holy Communion EP	6.00pm. Evening Prayer EP	9.00am Village Worship CM	CONCERT
All Saints Laxfield.	10.30 Celtic Morning Service LE	10.30 Morning Praise RO	10.30 Holy Communion CM	10.30 Animal Service in the Churchyard.
St. Mary. Wilby.	10.30 Village Worship LE SP	10.30 Holy Communion CM	10.30 Village Worship LE SP	10.30 Morning Prayer LE SP

Zoom Services Online

Celtic Prayer Wednesdays 7pm. Fridays 9a.m.

To join us,email: rev.chrissiesmart@gmail.com

If no service is scheduled at your loc warmly welcomed to any sister church

**On Fridays at Monk Soham on 11th
Choral Compline with Pastoral Quire**

The Lectionary Year A	Ps.145:8-9,15-end G Gen 32:22-31 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew:14:13-21	Ps.85:8-13 G Gen 37:1-4, 12-28 Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33	Ps. 67 G Gen 45:1-15 Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matt: 15:(10-20)21-28	Ps.138: G Exodus 1.8-2.10 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20
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Services may not be as listed above. If you wish to confirm the time and format, please telephone a Church

Sept.

Sunday 3rd. after Trinity 13 Proper 17	Sunday 10th. after Trinity 14 Proper 18
10.30 Holy Communion CS	10.30 Family Service LE SP
11.00 Family Service RA	11.00 Morning Prayer CM

11.00 Morning Prayer BCP LE BS/VS	TBA Let's Celebrate Wedding Festival LE BS/VS
6.00pm. Village Worship LE SP	6.00pm. Village Worship EP
6.00pm. Holy Communion CS	6.00pm. Evening Prayer CM
10.30 Celtic Morning Service LE	10.30 Morning Praise CS
10.30 Village Worship LE SP	10.30 Holy Communion EP

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ch in the benefice.
h, 18th and 25th at 7 pm

Ps.26:1-8 G
Exodus 3:1-15
Romans 12:9-end
Matthew 16:21-end

*Denotes
Self Supporting
Minister

urchwarden or LE in the Parish.

For Pastoral Care,Baptisms,Wedding or Funeral arrangements please contact:

Rev. Enid Pow. Priest-in-charge. 01986 743093
email: revenid4rivers@gmail.com

Churchwardens. Elders. Contacts. Tel:

St. Nicholas. Jenny Hinchey 07710 218957
Bedfield Rev. Chrissie Smart 01728 627838
St. Peter. Rev. Rebecca Artiss 01728 685663
Monk Soham. **Geoff Artiss** 01728 685663

St. Ethelbert. **Chloe Cross** 07714 734756
Tannington.

St. Margaret. Secretary,
Southolt. Sarah Drnec 01728 627949

St. Mary. Ww **Ann Davidson** 07807 588485
Cwarden & LE **Bert Stanford** 01728 628474
Lay Elder. VS Val. Swallow 01728 628068
LLM MS Lay Minister. Mark Sheard

St. Lawrence. Rev. Chrissie Smart 01728 627838
Brundish. Tina Smiddy 01379 388298

St. Mary. Andy Edmunds 01986 798523
Cratfield. Rev. Clive Mobbs 01986 798030
Lay Elder. MT Margaret Thompson

All Saints **Jackie Turton** 01986 798618
Laxfield.
Lay Elder. LH Liz Hammond 01986 798726

St. Mary. **Mary Pipe** 01728 723443
Wilby. **Rob Barber** 01379 388040
Lay Elder. SP Sheila Pipe 01728 723443

Clergy. Friday is Rev. Enid's day-off

Rev. Enid Pow. Priest-in-charge. 01986 743093
Administrator. Virginia Skoyles 07900 350117
RA * Rev. Rebecca Artiss 01728 685663
CM * Rev. Clive Mobbs 01986 798030
CS * Rev. Chrissie Smart 01728 627838
RO * Rev. Ron Orams. *Retired* 07721 682183

LE = Lay Elder licensed to Benefice

BCP=Book of Common Prayer. CW=Common Worship

HIGH SUFFOLK COMMUNITY BUS (HSCB)- Weekly services to :
Framlingham - Tuesdays, Diss - Fridays

August services : Bury 2nd , 19th, Stowmarket 10th, 24th
Norwich 12th, 23rd Woodbridge 5th, 17th

More details Alan 01728 685694 / Val 01728 628068 OR check *web site

Summer service to Southwold on Monday 21st

All Timetables available on *www.combus.org.uk



On 3rd August 2023

High Suffolk Community Bus celebrates
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so to celebrate 50 years

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At Worlingworth Community Centre

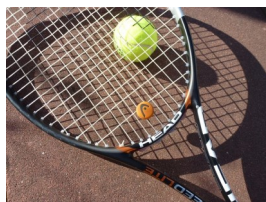
Next meeting August 2nd 7.00 for 7.15pm

Speaker Andy Malcolm

New members welcome (just come on the night) or call

Val: 01728 628068 or Jenny: 01728 628798

The Bedfield and Monk Soham Tennis Club is back on court! This friendly club belongs to the community (and that means not only Bedfield and Monk Soham but the surrounding villages too!) and is encouraging singles, doubles and families and visitors to play tennis all the year round! The club welcomes all ages and all levels of experience whether beginners, returners, improvers or competitors. Current membership is growing rapidly.



The Bedfield and Monk Soham Tennis Club offers regular weekly club ‘Turn Up and Play’ sessions on Wednesdays (6.30 – 8.30)

exclusive access to the court at any time through coded security a simple optional booking system during the week

junior rackets for younger members

Become a member It may have been a while since you last picked up a racket but you would like to give it a go again, or you may have been a member in the past and would like to renew, or you want to have a family membership, or you are new to the area and would like to find someone to give you a game. If you have visitors or guests staying with you the ‘Plus’ membership means they can play with you at any time during your membership without having to register.

Come to the tennis court, Bedfield Playing Field (IP13 7JE), on a Wednesday evening and meet other players and spectators and join up then.

Membership 2023/2024 : Adult £15 Adult Plus £20 Family £20 Family Plus £30

Contact details For further membership enquiries **or** ideas for increasing our enjoyment of the game and the development of the Bedfield and Monk Soham Tennis Club email: bedfieldmonksohamtennis@gmail.com

The Bedfield and Monk Soham Tennis Club Support Group



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Monk Soham

Wedding at Monk Soham

On Saturday 8th July 2023 at 12:30pm, the wedding of Emma Sayer and Mark Dickson took place. The church and porch were beautifully decorated and tartan bows placed on the end of the pews. There was a lovely pedestal display in the sanctuary as well. The service was conducted by Rev'd Rebecca Artiss, with Tim Artiss on the organ. The bells were rung to greet the bride and to celebrate the completion of the wedding ceremony. There were just under 100 people in attendance. They were all in good voice as they pledged their support to the couple and sang the three hymns. Ushers, bridesmaids, best men (both human and four-legged) all played their part in making this a happy occasion.

Pastoral Quire Concert

Despite Saturday 15th July being a blustery evening, a group of brave souls attended the concert given by the Pastoral Quire in St Peter's Church, Monk Soham at 7:30pm. The evening consisted of a variety of music, poetry, and solos/ duets. There were organ pieces, guitar, recorder group and some locally inspired poems, as well as the classics. During the interval the audience were able to enjoy the nibbles and wine. Many thanks go to the Pastoral Quire performers, those who helped with the tickets, draw, refreshments, and those who decorated the church so beautifully. A total of £262, including donations, was raised for Church Funds. Thank you to all who supported this event in any way.

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride

The regular SHCT takes place on 9th September, 2023. Sponsorship forms are available in St Peter's Church, Monk Soham or from the local organiser, Anne Artiss Telephone: 01728 685663.

It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes
to support people living with cancer.

Come along to the
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on **Saturday 30th September 2023**
anytime from **10.00 am to 1.00 pm**

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Wedding Dress Exhibition

Dresses through the decades



Two examples from the 40 amazing wedding dresses
1930s-present on show from local people
at

St Mary's Church Worlingworth
IP13 7NT

9th September 2023

10:30am – 4:00pm

10th September 2023

10:30am – 3:00pm

No entry fee but donations welcome

Refreshments all day

Light lunches between noon and 2pm

In aid of St Mary's funds

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The wedding dress exhibition follows a wedding in the church on 2nd September

The wedding flowers will also on display. Supplied by Local
florist

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