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July- August 2021

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Of extraordinary flowers



Deadline for next Newsletter

All articles and adverts for inclusion in the **September/October 2021** newsletter to be with Sue (Tel 01507313545 or email: moomoski@btinternet.com) by **Sunday 15th August 2021** at the very latest. Please let me have your items written out or typed, as you would like them to appear, and as **early as possible, please don't wait until the deadline.**

To place an advert please contact Sue on the above number. Please note there is a new price list for various sizes of advert and also a choice of black and white or colour. Again Sue has these details on request.

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Contact Sue; moomoski@btinternet.com

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Tel: 01507 525600

Based in St Mary's Church, Horncastle.

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Specific matters relating to St Mary's Church should be directed to the Verger on 01507 525600

Website: <http://www.asterbygroup.org/>

Benniworth Church Lottery

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3 rd	No. 4	Ann Scott	£5

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Benniworth Church Warden's notes.

Hello to you all! As the New Church Warden at St Julian's, I will introduce myself. I am a retired District Nurse and came to Lincolnshire two and a half years ago from southeast of Snowdonia with my partner Guy. We moved to be on an easier route to the south east and to do more walking. The walking near our previous address was challenging and I was recovering from a leg problem. We both have found Benniworth and the Wolds just wonderful, and wish we had taken our decision to move earlier, though we had been part of a close, small community and church. and very sad in saying our goodbyes. We miss our holiday-let guests too, having met many walkers and tourists from far and wide.

It has been a devastating time during the pandemic for us all. I feel it will be a turning point for St Julian's and the inhabitants of Benniworth. We are all taking stock of the new ways to avert risk, and are surely all valuing what we had until early last year.

As regards St Julian's; following over a thousand years of service to the village, the villagers' needs have changed. This has been compounded by the pandemic.

St Julian's has an amazing history with much input by villagers, especially whilst undergoing a major rebuild in the late 19th Century, and being the place of worship and prayers during the two world wars.

It has come to a change point. The congregation has shrunk like so many churches this century.

I feel we must reassess what we as parishioners all need and want of our stunning and important church. There are no village facilities on offer in Benniworth, and the church could offer so much on this. We surely must not let this opportunity pass by.

The alternative is bleak, I'm afraid. St Julian's will certainly decay and eventually be cordoned off as unsafe. Weddings and funerals will have to be outside or in another church. The site may gradually become a waste land.

It is hoped we can make the church a hub of community activity once again with kitchen and toilet facilities. I hope to organise an event shortly to enable the parishioners to come together, bring their ideas and join a friend's of St Julian's support group. Please look out in the bus shelter and for a leaflet through your door.

Anyone interested or with talents, who may be able to offer their skills or plan to develop a history, music group etc. We need to put it all into the plan to qualify for the grants which enable our goal.

Thank you for taking your time to read this and hope to hear from you soon.

Yours in prayer **Jennie Cathcart** 01507 313208 / jrcathcart@hotmail.com

Asterby & Goulceby Parish Council

Notes from the Asterby and Goulceby Annual Parish Meeting 24 May 2021

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on Monday 24 May 2021 at 7.00pm. Two residents attended. The Chair gave an annual report on the activity that had been completed throughout the year. This included; completion of the footbridge and landscaping at the ford, depth markers positioned correctly, flooding near Shop Lane resolved, badger hole on Horncastle Road filled in, and an additional dog waste bin erected.

There were no items/issues raised by residents in the Open Forum.

Notes of the Asterby and Goulceby Parish Council Meeting 27th May 2021

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on the 27th the Chair and Vice Chair were elected for the coming year. Sheila Wardle is Chair and Alison Coton Vice Chair. Jenny Oates who was previously Vice Chair and has been a councillor for 7 years has resigned and was thanked for all her hard work and commitment to the community. She will be missed by her colleagues. There are now 2 vacancies one for each of the villages. Anyone interested in joining who has been resident for more than 12 months is welcome to contact the Chair or Clerk for information. Contact details are on the Council website.

District Councillor David Andrews gave an update. He confirmed that work on the ELDC /Boston College Hub is underway with completion planned for September 2022. ELDC are offering free market stalls until 11 July to help to revive towns following Covid. County Councillors have grant funding for which local groups may apply to support projects for the benefit of the community.

Quotes have been received for signs either side of the ford stating ' Road Liable to Flooding' - 2 signs will be purchased and installed.

Two planning applications were considered one for an extension to a property in Asterby and the other for stables to replace a field shelter. In both cases there were no local concerns and the Council resolved to respond stating no comment.

The Standing Orders and Code of Conduct for the Parish Council were reviewed and agreed.

Dates for the next meeting were agreed as follows: Thursday 2nd September 2021, Monday 6th September 2021, Monday 7th March 2022, Monday 23rd May 2022.

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DONINGTON ON BAIN PARISH COUNCIL

WANTS YOUR OPINION!

Our annual meeting with parishioners had to be held remotely on 5 May.

We wanted to let you know that we are working for the village.

If any residents have any suggestions for village improvements please contact the clerk.

Email: doningtononbainpc@gmail.com or 07795822701

or speak to any Councillor

Keith White

Barry Gill-Stafford

Michael Fisher

Richard Wright

James Burnham

While we cant promise to fulfil every request, we wanted to have your opinions please.



Benniworth Parish Council

News from the Parish Council

Notes from the Village Open meeting held on 27th May can be found on the village website:

<https://benniworth.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/council-business/annual-open-meeting-minutes/1>

Cllr Stewart opened the meeting & informed that the first speaker, PC Precious, was unable to attend. He had forwarded a report that was read out by Cllr Simpson. A copy of this report can be found on the village website: **Benniworth Police Report May 2020 - May 2021**. This was followed by a report from Mrs Raynor on the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, which is also on the website.

Cllr Stewart introduced Rev Cilla Smith, Mrs Jenny Cathcart (Church Warden) and Guy Vinson (Church Treasurer). Guy outlined some of the ways the community could use the Church followed by Rev Cilla describing how other churches utilised the building as a community asset whilst still retaining a sacred space. The audio recording of these speeches are on the website.

The meeting then discussed issues to be raised at future PC meetings:

- the problem of drainage/flooding/potholes in Church Lane and Meadow Lane
- the possibility of holding a fete/dog show/flower show
- replacement of the “horse” sign
- signage for Meadow Lane, Meadow Close and “Clickem Hill”
- the drainage gullies on Clickem Hill
- 30mph speed limit.

The Village Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st July 2021 – details will be posted on the Village Notice Boards and website nearer the date. The Chairman would like to hear from anyone in the village who would like to join the Parish Council as there are vacancies for new Councillors – please email benniworthpc@outlook.com.

The new Notice Board for Silver Street is finished, as soon as the Licence for Permission to erect the sign (next to the Post Box at the end of Silver Street) is received from Lincolnshire County Council it will be put in place. The Parish Council would like to thank Geoff Hancock and Phil Dyas for building this excellent asset for the village:

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13th	10th	8th	5th	2nd	2nd & 30th

Community	Stop	Arrive	Depart
Donington on Bain	Post Office	10.30	11.00
Benniworth	Tennyson Close	11.15	12.15

New parish council websites

These are being or have been developed for whole parish

Addresses are;

<https://www.asterbygroup.org>

<https://benniworth.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk>

<https://asterby-goulceby.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk>

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If there is any information that would be of interest to the village for future newsletters please contact me by email jaynedyas11@gmail.com well in advance of deadlines, which are printed in the newsletter.

Priestly Ponderings

Quite often we are told that we can do things on our own, only to find out that, in fact, we need the support of others in order to go forward. Jesus knew all about this, he recruited his twelve disciples, to be alongside him during his ministry of healing and preaching, to watch and learn from him and to help him. They ran errands for him and the gospels tell us they were pretty good at crowd control too! We know they struggled with some aspects of their new lives but they helped each other and Jesus knew well that, after he left them, they would be able to continue his work. We have just passed Pentecost, that time when we remember that the disciples were visited by the Holy Spirit, the 'helper' to enable them to go about continuing Jesus' work.

It is like that for us too, as we approach the decisions to be made about Resourcing a Sustainable Church, we must keep our vision clear that we need others to help us and to support us as we spread the word of the love and joy, we all find through our relationship with Jesus. I pray that with God's grace we will recognise that helping brings rewards and so does needing help. It is important to let go of that idea that only 'I can do this'. Every contact we make with someone outside of our church; every time that we ask someone if they could possibly help with whatever is planned for the church; when we trust and speak about the love of God to them, in the words of John Leach, it ensures we are leaving people more positively disposed towards the gospel, ready for their next encounter with a Christian.

I realise some folks will have difficulty with this, especially as we have had to close our churches during the lock down. It was not done easily by any means, any more than not being able to visit or to be available except on media and IT. But there has been so much good work done amongst our communities by people who, would not always recognise it as Christian duty or responsibility, but just an act of human kindness. My point is it has had to come from somewhere and I firmly believe that the Holy Spirit has been guiding hands and feet and voices in the work that folks have carried out for each other.

We had all hoped that we would be free from our constraints but it seems we need to endure for a further 4 weeks, and we will endure it because we are resilient people. As we come to the end of this last 18 months we perhaps need to look out for each other even more. In my experience whilst we are 'going through' difficulties we get on with them but when they stop, that is when we may find ourselves tripping up and the 'going' get tougher. So don't let 's forget each others ongoing needs and continue to help out in whatever way that may be.

YOGA IN SCAMBLESBY

Post Lockdown Timetable (different locations - see website)

Mondays 9.30am – 10.45am Scamblesby

Mondays 6.00pm – 7pm Louth

Tuesdays 9.30am – 10.45am Scamblesby/Zoom

Wednesdays 9.30am – 10.30am Louth

Wednesdays 12.00pm – 1pm Louth

Thursdays 9am – 10.15am Scamblesby

Thursdays 11am – 12pm (Over 65's) Louth

Thursdays 7pm – 8.15pm Scamblesby/Zoom

Classes are suitable for all abilities. One to one or small group sessions can also be arranged.

Gentle Years Yoga for ages 65+ or anyone who needs to take it a bit steady for any reason! Please get in touch if you might be interested and I will let you know more about this new classes

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Help needed -Nepal is in a crisis both from the Pandemic and lack of income from tourism. This letter from The Britain Nepal Medical Trust is outlining the help that is needed. As a founder member of the Trust, I can vouch that every penny donated will be spent wisely and reach those in desperate need. **G. Stewart**

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Dear Supporter

17th May 2021

Nepal is now reeling under the second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic. Daily infection rate is growing exponentially – currently standing at 10,000 new cases per day - up from just about 100 daily cases in April. More than 4,000 people have already died, with nearly 1,000 deaths in the last 10 days.

COVID-19 affects us all, but the poor most severely. Vaccination is giving us hope of resuming life in the UK this summer. In Nepal however, the current “second wave” is three time greater than the first wave that left thousands dead. Nepal’s border with India has led to the upsurge of infection with COVID B.1.617, the so-called “Indian” variant. And so far, Nepal has vaccinated just one million of their population with one jab against Covid – and the vaccine supply has since been disrupted by the Covid situation in India, their main supply source to date.

The most important measures to controlling this resurgence are:

- Public health measures – masks, hand washing and restricting social interactions/ mixed household gatherings and easy access to regular and rapid testing.
- Clinical care – improving access to hospital care for the sick – oxygen supplies, ventilators and CPAP machines; appropriate protection for health care workers
- Vaccines – for the longer term.

We are seeking your support to advance our drive to raise public awareness to minimise COVID’s impact through the clear communication of the “masks, hand washing and social distancing” message and to protect health workers across Nepal in their delivery of clinical care and promotion of vaccine uptake. We are also exploring partnerships here for the provision of CPAP machines and oxygen concentrators and lobbying our government to share some of our vaccine stockpile.

You can donate through our website using the CAF online link:
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alternatively cheques to BNMT, 8 Hazeldean Rd, London NW10 8QU.

Thank you for your continued support for the people of Nepal in their time of great need,



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We open our churches once more on September 11th and 12 for an open churches weekend. I said that we will need help along the way. These are places that are special to our communities. When you sit inside some of our churches the prayers seep out of the walls towards you from all the congregations in the past and individuals who have said their prayers there. It is a very special place to be in what can only be seen as the most beautiful of countryside.

I would like to see what opportunities there are for our churches to contribute in some way to life in our parishes. Perhaps you have some ideas and I would love to hear from you rev.cilla2@btinternet.com find me on facebook or the Asterby Group facebook page. Or speak to your local churchwarden, their names and contacts are in our magazine. It doesn’t matter if it is only a little time you can give, it doesn’t matter if the gift you have is making a cup of tea or smiling at a newcomer……whatever it is it will all be valued. Young or old, new to the area or someone who has lived here for years everyone is welcome to apply!

May I encourage each person who reads this to use their time or talents and spread a little love to others. To offer help and to expect to be asked to help as we go through the rest of this year.

Enjoy the beauty of the summer and time, hopefully, spent with family and friends.

Every blessing **Revd Cilla.**



Asterby Group Services for May 2021

Benniworth	Communion	4th July	10am
Burgh on Bain	Communion	11th July	10am
Goulceby	Sung Evensong	11th July	6.00 p.m.
Donington on Bain	All Age Worship	18th July	10am
Scamblesby	Communion	25th July	10am

All our services will be held in our churches and will be zoomed too.

Provision for COVID safety is adhered to.

Zoom details from rev.cilla2@btinternet.com.

The only provision is Govt changes in current guidelines.

PRAYER CIRCLE

If you would like a friend, or a particular situation, to be remembered by our Prayer Circle, do please contact Ann (313792) or Sarah (343270)

All requests treated in confidence.



If you require information or help with booking a wedding, baptism or funeral, please contact our Administrator on 01507 525600

Asterby Group Services for June 2021

Benniworth	All Age Worship	1st August	10am
Burgh on Bain	Communion	8th August	10am
Donington on Bain	Communion	15th August	10am
Scamblesby	All Age Worship	22nd August	10am
Goulceby Group Service	All Age Worship	29 August	10am

*In
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Alice Whitwell from Donington on Bain who passed away at the age of 100

Christine Spence from Goulceby

