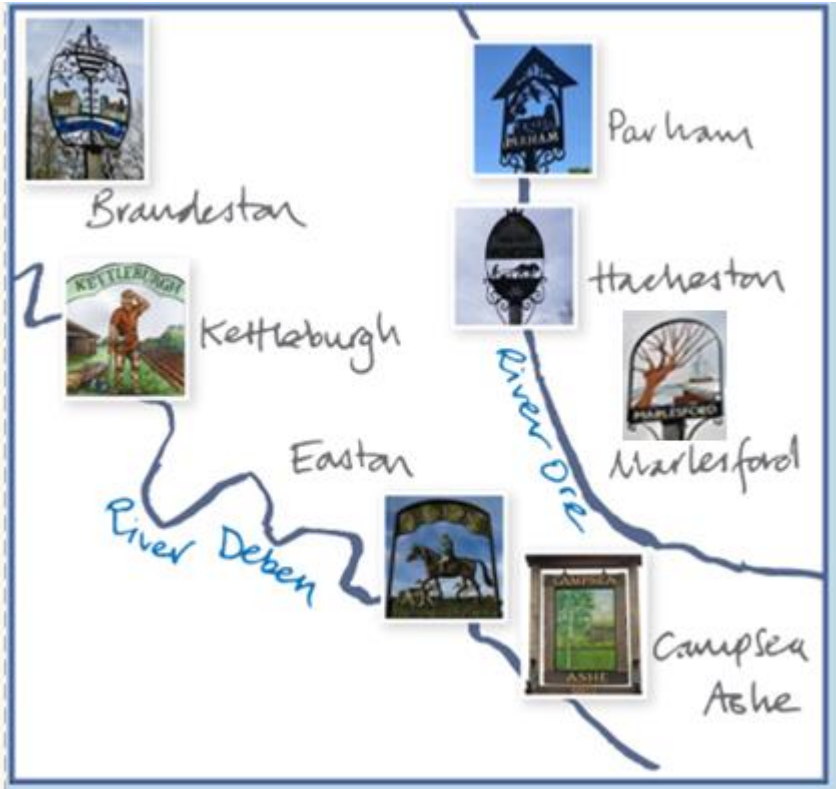


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A word from Mary Baker

Our last magazine was sent out at the beginning of December when we were all preparing for Christmas. What a busy time it was with all the meals, parties, family get-togethers and carol services. It was lovely, but quite exhausting. We hardly had time to stop and think. What a lot we have to be thankful for!

Now we've hit the New Year and there can't be a greater contrast. At church we have finished the Christmas celebrations and we are romping through stories about Jesus from his infancy to his early adulthood, as he gathers up his disciples to help him do his work. There's a lot to cover as we approach the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, which is on February 22nd this year. Don't forget your pancakes on the 21st.

The disciples were a mixed bunch, some of them well educated, but mostly they were humble workmen whose instruction was more practical, using a range of skills, such as those required to be a successful fisherman. There would have been a mixture of personalities too-the patient, the short tempered, the gentle and the energetic. That mixture of skills and personalities, along with the ability to relate to other people is what makes up a group of disciples even now. If you look at a church congregation or any community, you will find the thinkers, the talkers, the writers and the people who just roll up their sleeves and get the job done. They are still working to do Jesus' work and to be his 21st century disciples. It's a big challenge to work towards in this New Year.

Mary Baker Elder and Brandeston's All Saints Churchwarden

Church Services for February

5 th	3 rd Sunday before Lent	10am	Benefice Holy Communion (CW)	Parham
12 th	2 nd Sunday before Lent	9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Brandeston
		9.30am	Morning Worship	Campsea Ashe
		11am	Morning Prayer	Easton
		11am	Holy Communion	Hacheston <i>with</i> Parham
		4.30pm	Candlemas	Marlesford
19 th	Sunday before Lent	9.30am	Zoom Morning Service	
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Marlesford
		11am	Holy Communion	Kettleburgh
		11am	Morning Prayer	Parham
26 th	1 st Sunday of Lent	9.30am	Morning Worship	Brandeston
		9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Campsea Ashe
		11am	Holy Communion (CW)	Easton
			Morning Prayer	Hacheston <i>with</i> Parham
		6.30pm	Evening Prayer	Kettleburgh

For an invitation to our Zoom services contact Bill,

bill78@btinternet.com

Friday Prayers – 4pm at Parham

Compline is said at Marlesford every Wednesday at 4pm

Church News & Rotas

On Sunday 26th March, the Campsea Ashe 9.30 Communion Service will be attended by Tony Allwood, who will bring 30 cushions for us to use during the service. This is part of the St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocese Heated Cushion Trial (!) We can use the cushions during the service and at the end give him our views. If your church is thinking of replacing or improving the heating, do come along and test out these cushions. Apparently, the cost per service is about £1!

I have more details; do call me if you want to know more. Glenys Fear

Martin Parmenter

Deirdre's husband Martin has recently had a bad fall and has broken his arm and also his kneecap in four places (that's not doing things by halves!) He is in Ipswich hospital while they get him sorted out. We all send him very best wishes for a speedy recovery and hope he will be back home soon.

All Saints Brandeston Church Cleaning Rota

Sue & Barry Flack	February 5th 2023
Maida Campbell & Liz Cobbold	February 19th 2023
Julia Elson & Kelly Jeffery	March 5th
Lydia Freeman	March 19th

St Andrews Church, Kettleburgh

Thank you to those who look after St Andrew's church.

	Cleaning	Flowers
February	Jackie & Bill Clark	Shelley Eaton
March	Anne & John Bater	Anne Bater

All Saints Church, Hacheston—Flower Rota

March 5th & 12th	LENT
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Brandeston



BRANDESTON FOOD BANK

An initiative to help those in need in East Suffolk during these difficult times has been suggested by members of All Saints' Church and other village groups.

From the first week of February (1st to 8th) we will be collecting using a large storage box at Mary and Paul Baker's house in Mill Lane. This will be positioned on their front drive. Donations of food items of a non-perishable nature would be most gratefully received. Other items such as toiletries would also be welcomed. This location was chosen as being central and easily accessible. We also intend to take the collection box to the village hall on Thursday mornings. This pattern of the first week in the month will then be repeated for six months initially and continue as required.

Currently the most appropriate route of distribution would be the Salvation Army in Woodbridge as they run a system with many villages feeding into them. We do have kind volunteers to manage our end.

We detail below a possible route into help and support that is currently operating, including access to financial help and food banks.

If you know anyone who may need help, they can approach Citizens' Advice on a free and confidential phone number – 0808 2082138. The Citizens' Advice Service can then put people in touch with food banks and issue vouchers.

Best Wishes

Churchwardens and other village friends.

Brandeston



Happy New Year to Brandeston Film Club members. We are looking forward to welcoming you to a new season of films.

You do not need to book in advance for the evening's performance any longer, so please just come along for a fun evening with local ice creams and a well-stocked bar. Costs remain as previous years.

In February we will be showing **Emily** - Emily Brontë, a rebel and a misfit, and one of the world's most famous and enigmatic writers, died at the age of 30 having published only one novel and some poetry. Emily freely imagines her life story and how a sheltered clergyman's daughter could create a work as fierce and passionate as *Wuthering Heights*.

"Though set in the early 19th century, it's not a biographical portrait of Emily or the other Brontë sisters, although we do join them in Haworth, Yorkshire, near the moors that so inspired *Wuthering Heights*' wild romance between the iconic figures of Cathy and Heathcliff. Rather, it's a film that mixes reality with myth, as O'Connor tries to join the dots between Emily's life and her sole novel."

Watch the trailer at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xaL90sMAzbY>

In March we will be showing **Mrs Harris goes to Paris**, a late addition to the programme, in response to feedback in December from one of our members, followed by **Living** in April. More details of these films will be given nearer the times. Best wishes Roz

Christopher McArthur 07887 825008, Roz McKenzie 07910979781,

Steve Western and Michael Cousens

Brandeston Parish Council Meeting

Brandeston Parish Council has arranged a public meeting to be held at Brandeston Village Hall at 19:30 hours on Monday 20th February 2023 —all are welcome to attend.

The aim of the meeting is to enable the views of the local community to be heard and to gauge the level of support for saving the Brandeston Queen as a Pub and its future use.

Brandeston



Brandeston Rainfall Statistics for 2022

January	5 mm
February	42.5 mm
March	27 mm
April	8 mm
May	49 mm
June	49 mm
July	0.75 mm
August	42 mm
September	21 mm
October	68 mm
November	168 mm
December	45 mm
TOTAL	525.25 mm (approximately 21.64 inches)

July was exceptionally dry.

August 18th recorded 36mm of rain.

August 14th was very hot at 32°C.

Some parts of the UK reached 40°C on August 18th and 19th.

Kettleburgh



The results of the December 2022 KGT Lottery draw :

1st Prize: Juliet Wheeler

2nd Prize: Juliet Wheeler

3rd Prize: Jenna and David Wright

The results of the January 2023 KGT Lottery draw :

1st Prize: Malcolm Todd

2nd Prize: Jenna and David Wright

Kettleburgh Coffee Mornings

Come along to the Village Hall on the first Friday of each month between 10:30am and midday.



- ◆ Coffee, Sausage rolls, Conversation
- ◆ Catch up with the latest Kettleburgh news
- ◆ Buy Local Produce
- ◆ Talk to your Parish Councillors
- ◆ Support your Village Hall

Easton



Services in Easton

There will be Morning Prayer on 12th February and Holy Communion on 26th February both services at 11.00 am.

Christmas Services

Our Carol Service was well attended and so was our Christmas Eve Nativity for children. We even had a real baby as Jesus!



Sunday Café



Discussion Group

The Discussion Group meets again on 1st February. Our topic is "Light and darkness". We shall be meeting this month at Ash Grove, New Road, Framlingham at 10.30 am. New members are always welcome. (If you need a lift, please phone 01728 746667)

Services on Zoom

There will be a Zoom service on 19th February at 09.30 am. If you would like to join this online service, please register with Bill Clark so that he can send you the link (bill78@btinternet.com).

Easton



JOHN HARGREAVES (12th October 1932 - 20th December 2022)

John's funeral took place on 9th January 2023 at Easton church. During the service members of his family and close friends paid tribute to John and all that he had achieved in his life.

Born in 1932, John was a proud Yorkshireman. He had two sisters and as a schoolboy he enjoyed growing vegetables (that remained a life-long interest) and helping on a local farm. He went to grammar school where he played football for his school and then his county. He also played for his university of Bangor where he took an honours degree in agriculture.

In 1955 he was called up for the RAF where he did officer training and became a Mess Officer. When he left the RAF in 1956 he joined Fisons. He also joined the Young Farmers where he met Margaret and they were married in 1958. They moved to Lincoln and their daughters Susan and Sarah were born there.

With John's promotion in 1970 the family moved to Easton. In 1983 he became Secretary of the Suffolk Show and ran the annual event until retiring after the 1994 show. During that time he hosted members of the Royal Family including Princess Diana in 1986. He also hosted Prince Charles, now King Charles, at an agricultural show in Debenham where he introduced him to Suffolk horses. He was a leading figure in the Suffolk Horse Society and also a past president of the Framlingham Horse Show.

John was also a committed Freemason and was especially active in their charitable work both nationally and internationally.

He was a proud grandfather and great-grandfather. His children and grandchildren particularly enjoyed stories he made up for them.

We send Margaret and all the family our sincere sympathies and best wishes. May John rest in peace.

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Parham



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A Tribute to Daphne Culpan



Richard and I would like to say a huge Thank you to everyone who attended Mums funeral, and made it the perfect send off for her. It was also wonderful that the choir was able to sing, and deliver a beautiful rendition of the Lords Prayer. We would also like express our gratitude to the residents of Parham for providing the sumptuous refreshments at the reception afterwards. We couldn't have asked for – or wanted – anything different. **Richard & Jeff Culpan**

Parham



A Tribute to Daphne Culpan -6th October 1932 - 7th December 2022

“See the flower, how generously it distributes perfume and honey. When its work is done, it falls away quietly. Try to be like a flower, unassuming despite all its qualities.” written by A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

Parham Church was full on Tuesday 10th January when Daphne was brought home to her final resting place to be with George in the churchyard. It was a miserably wet day but the church was full and resplendent with spring flowers, beautifully arranged by her village friends. Even the snowdrops and winter anemones were blooming at the church door. The service was conducted by Deirdre Parmenter who had known Daphne for over 30 years. As part of the service the benefice choir reassembled and gave a rendition of The Lord’s Prayer, which had been arranged by George himself. What an interesting and particularly sporting life Daphne had had with her two older brothers and twin sister, Dell. Daphne became a County Swimmer for Kent whilst still at school. Her hand to eye co-ordination must have been extremely good as well, because she excelled in Badminton and played for Sussex and then added tennis, golf and table tennis as the years went by and which she continued to play here in Suffolk. While studying for her BSc in Horticulture at Wye College she first met George, their paths divided and she went on to become a specialist in entomology working for Rentokil. Later on, they met again and in 1968 they married and set up their family home in Bedfordshire with George’s sons, Richard, Doug and Jeff. They threw themselves into village life there before moving to Suffolk in 1986, supposedly to retire. It didn’t take long however, before they were as busy as ever at the centre of village activities in Parham too. Daphne became secretary of the PCC, helped organise the Parham Rendezvous and joint edited the Parish Magazine with George. They helped with many other social functions in the village and could always be relied on to provide refreshments and plants. They joined the church choir and were always the first to welcome newcomers. We will all have particular memories of Daphne and I shall never forget her lively, welcoming smile and her inherent interest in nature around her, her love of dogs and willingness to pass on her amazing plant knowledge. I enjoyed a fair few walks with Daphne and Misty, who was her faithful companion for many years, particularly after George had died. Kaye Dawe

Parham



Parham - Time to get walking again!

With Spring on it's way we start to think about getting out to walk in the beautiful English countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Suffolk <https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/suffolk> has loads of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (who maintains the website) said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Suffolk (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

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John Harris

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Tuesday)

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Thursdays

Powerhoop

18:30 – 19:30

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Fridays

8.30am–1.00pm **Cardio rehab** with Jon Regester info@jonregister.co.uk 07941 303956

Could you please confirm when you got the message please.

Many thanks Mervem



Hacheston



All Saints News; February Services: 11am Holy Communion on Sunday 12th and 11am Morning Prayer on Sunday 26th.

Sadly, it's been a quiet few months for the church in Hacheston. The advertisement for a new Priest in charge is once again in the press and we can only hope that someone will soon apply. The Benefice Elders and other retired clergy are stalwartly filling the service rota. Do come and join us at the above services and remember your beautiful church is open 24/7 for contemplation and/or prayer.

Here's a date for you diaries, **Mothering Sunday falls on Sunday 19th March** this year and the elders will be leading a celebration at 10.30 in Hacheston Village Hall, followed by refreshments. Everyone is welcome.

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Marlesford



High Academic Success

Tom Cox developed an interest in history while at primary school and used to go out in the Marlesford fields with his dad and their metal detectors. After finishing at Thomas Mills, Tom went off to the UEA to read history. He completed his first degree with flying honours and then began a MA, which he has recently completed.

Tom has been given 2 awards for his Masters degree - the Larry Butler prize awarded for the best dissertation by an MA student and secondly for a distinguished performance by MA student. The following comes from the academic assessment of Tom's dissertation:

"This is an exceptional piece of work that is deserving of an exceptional mark. The subject matter is vast - regional variation and its origins are perhaps the most-written about subjects in landscape history, yet the candidate clearly commands the historiography and is happy to confirm and challenge the received wisdom at every turn. Moreover, it does so via innovative and comprehensive use of HER* and especially PAS* material, the latter a seriously under-exploited resource. The use of GIS* is flawless. To cap all this, the candidate manages to organise and marshal his data into a well-written and clear narrative. It is difficult to add any more to this, other than to say that this is one of **the best dissertations the MA in Landscape History has seen for a considerable time.**

In terms of a mark, an excellent dissertation, carefully researched, well written and well presented and which makes several interesting and highly original points will naturally receive a mark in the distinction range. The question here is how high and here it is worth noting that the section on settlements and parish boundaries in particular really should be published as it is a significant contribution to scholarship. **As a piece of work part of which merits publication, this would push the mark into those parts of the distinction range rarely reached."**

*HER - Historic Environment Record

*PAS - Portable Antiquities Scheme

*GIS - Geographic Information Systems

We congratulate Tom and wish him every success in the future.

Marlesford



CHRISTMAS AT ST ANDREW'S, MARLESFORD

After a long gap, we held a Christingle Service on 18th December and were really pleased to see such an amazing crowd come along to join in the fun (despite clashing with the final of the football world cup.

Everyone was encouraged to make their own Christingle oranges and before the end of the service all the candles were lit and to Andrew's accompaniment on the piano we sang "Shine, Jesus, Shine very loudly. Thank-you, Andrew for the music and to Julie and Carla whose input whilst planning the service and on the day was invaluable. Thank-you, Nan for all your help and also to Sue Wilson who decorated the windowsills with holly and ivy. A donation of £90 has been send to the Children's Society.

On Christmas Eve there was Holy Communion at 6.30pm, again well supported, Carols were sung and mulled wine and mince pies after the Service set the atmosphere for Christmas celebrations. As a result of the donations at this service, together with the Harvest Service we have sent £200 to FIND.

Well done, Marlesford!



Marlesford



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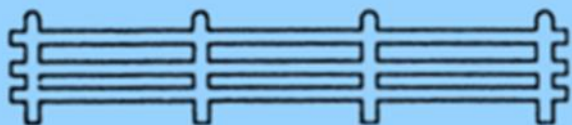


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