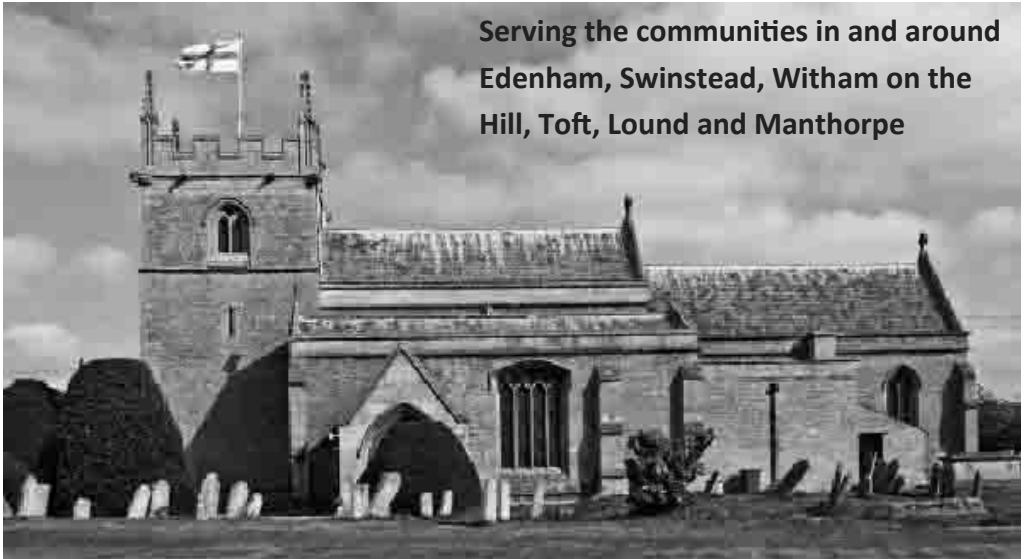


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Parish News

Sympathies - Eileen Thompson - Witham on the Hill - 11.04.1921 - 16.04.2019. We are sad to tell you of the death of our dear Mum, Grandma and Great Grandma on the 16th April. Eileen came to Witham almost 13 years ago and during that time she has made many new friends here that have helped to make her last years so happy and contented. Thank you, to all of you, who called in for a chat, stopped for a few words during your walk or lifted a hand to wave as you passed by her home. We cannot tell you how much this meant to her and we are grateful to every one of you, it is a wonderful example of the caring and thoughtful nature of our community.

We will be holding a celebration of Eileen's life in the Village Hall on 11th May between 12.30 - 2.30 and would love to see all of you that met Eileen. It is a reflection of the person that she was, that she wanted you all to be happy for her long life and raise a glass to her without sadness or mourning.

It would help us to plan the catering if you would indicate whether you can attend, email juliathompson@btconnect.com or tel. 01778 590006

Ray, Julia, Jane, James, Dan, Jo, Nick and Eva (the smallest but the most important).

Race Night - On the 5th April we had a very successful Race Night at the St Andrew's Parish Hall raising some £160. The event was very well attended with over 50 people. There were 8 races in total and by the last race there was a lot of excitement as people made bids to 'own' a horse for that race. As well as the excitement of the racing, there was a fish and chip supper that went down very well. A special mention to Duncan Brock who provided the racing commentary and thank you to all the other people who helped on the evening. The funds raised will go towards maintaining the parish hall for the whole community to use.

Food for Thought in Lent - Thank you very much to all who attended, helped in any way, led our Worship and Bible studies and contributed in any way to Food for Thought during every week in Lent - it was a lovely time of fellowship and we look forward to seeing you all again and anyone who

would like to join us as we continue with our monthly Food for Thought sessions - the May one will be on Thursday the 23rd and all are always welcome to all or just part of these sessions.

Baptism - baby Oliver Meadows at St Andrew's Church, Witham on the Hill, on Sunday 7 April. Welcome to our church family!

Witham e-mail Group - In addition to the Facebook page, we are trying to create a Witham e-mail group through which we hope to keep people in the loop about events / happenings in the village. If you are willing to join in please send your email address to Frances Plummer at francesplummer@btinternet.com.

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Saturday 27 April 8.30am – 10.30am BIG BREKKIE St Andrew's Parish Hall, Witham on the Hill. All welcome. Donations to Christian Aid.

Sunday 5th May, Grimsthorpe Castle, Park & Gardens will be **CLOSED**. It will **REOPEN** on **Monday 6th May**. See fuller explanation in the middle pages.

Monday 13 May, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Parish Hall - Witham on the Hill
Historical Society talk: Grantham Canal - Another World by Rosemary Gibson. Tickets £3 on the door (£2 for members) - All Welcome.

Thursday 23 May, FOOD FOR THOUGHT Eucharist at 10.15am in St Andrew's Church, Witham on the Hill, with bible study at 11am in St Andrew's Parish Hall, Witham on the Hill, followed by a simple lunch at noon – donations to Christian Aid. All welcome to one or all!

Sunday 2 June, Super Sprint, Sprint & Olympic Distance Triathlon including Aquathlon & Aquabike - Tallington Lakes Leisure Park. See website for more details: www.sbrents.co.uk

Saturday 29 June, 11am - 4pm, Edenham Extravaganza Family Fun Day,
Join us for games, stalls, rides, refreshments and entertainment! If you can donate a raffle prize or would like to have a stall please contact Nikkigunn08@yahoo.co.uk or 07908 111690.

Saturday 6 July, Summer Fete and Garden in a Wheel Barrow Competition, Parish playing field, Manthorpe. The Parish Council is planning a summer fete; the fete will also play host to the Parish Garden in a Wheel Barrow Competition.

As ever, the event needs supporters/volunteers to assist with the pre-planning and/or organisation on the day. If anyone has spare time and the inclination we would be pleased to hear from you. You can contact Richard Stephenson either by e mail richardstephenson17@gmail.com or telephone 01778590355. It should be a fun day for all the family.

Toft cum Lound & Manthorpe Parish Council



Garden in a Wheelbarrow Competition

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When: 6th July at 2pm

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Easter Message

In Chapter sixteen of St Mark's Gospel, the three women rise early on the first day of the week and go to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. Along the way they ask themselves, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" The women expect the old, pre-Resurrection world to be in place; a world of predictable cause-and-effect in which stones placed over tombs on Friday will still be there on Sunday. While the women show faith and courage in going to the tomb, they carry an 'old world' with them; a world where death has the final word.



Then, bit by bit, that old world comes tumbling down and everything is thrown off balance... The women discover that the stone has already been rolled away. While numerous reasonable explanations are possible, it's clear that something is out-of-kilter. When the women enter the tomb, instead of a corpse, they encounter "a young man in a white robe". The figure is depicted as an angel – a messenger!



The presence of a messenger is certainly appropriate for what follows. The young man has a 'message' for the women. And this message marks a momentous turning point in St Mark's Gospel. For instead of Jesus' physical presence, the women are presented with the 'proclamation of the Gospel': "There is no need for alarm" says the



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messenger “You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here.”

The message has replaced the corpse!

Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified is risen from the dead! This is the good news that challenges the power of death and turns the predictable cause-and-effect world on its head! No wonder the women were frightened! If something as certain as death is no longer predictable, then the world has changed dramatically! If stones are rolled away without human effort, if Jesus really has risen from the dead, if the very power of death has been overcome, then what else will likewise be overthrown? What other kinds of disturbances will God now work in the world and in their lives? The women are frightened precisely because they grasped the full implication of the Resurrection of Jesus!

But there’s another reason the women were frightened. The messenger continues: “But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, “He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you.”” What a daunting prospect! Having betrayed and deserted Jesus, the disciples must now encounter him again in Galilee. And at this point no one knows what shape that encounter will take (or how Jesus might react to them). All they knew was that Jesus was in the world again – though no longer restricted by it or conformed to it!

There’s much that we can learn from the women and their experience. Like them, we have to come to terms with a new reality; the reality that Jesus is neither a lifeless corpse nor a distant memory from the past. Jesus is alive and he’s going before us to meet us in the ordinary places of our lives. We cannot brush him aside as being safely buried in a tomb, for now we will encounter him as a living reality in our worship, in our fellowship with each other, in the Sacraments of the Church and in reading the Holy Scriptures.

There’s no escaping him, no containing him and certainly no forgetting him! We can’t carry on regardless or attempt business as usual because Jesus has told us that he will go before us to meet us – wherever we’re headed, that’s where he’s just arriving! The Resurrection isn’t a onetime event in the past; it’s the promise of more surprising, disturbing encounters with Jesus to come!

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So, how about it?

Are we willing to embrace a world-turned-upside-down? Can we make room to encounter Christ in our everyday lives? Are we able to take up the challenge of trusting in Christ?

We know it isn't easy, we know that it isn't always straightforward, but we also know that those same fearful women and often hapless disciples eventually found the courage to give their all for Christ so that the same Good News could be proclaimed down the centuries and throughout the world.

Can we not do the same? Let us pray that we can!

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The Memorial. - Since writing last month the Committee's plans for the site have undergone a change. This is in consequence of the decision of the Church Estate Trustees to sanction the demolition of the old school, (*Parish Hall*) in order that the stone and other materials of the building may be used in the construction of the village Hall.

It was then unanimously agreed that the site of the school would be an ideal one for the Memorial Cross, close to the road and to the church, and standing on consecrated ground, as this corner was at one time actually part of the churchyard. A grass-plot and flower beds will complete the picture, making a little beauty spot in the heart of the village.

The old School. - As for this building, endeared to us by old associations, it will but re-appear in new guise upon the green as the village Hall, while its familiar bell cot and windows will go

to Toft, to be used there in re-modelling the Mission Room.

Incidentally its removal will open up a fine view of the church from the South-east.

LCC Highways -Lincolnshire County Council's Executive Member Councillor Davies appreciated the feedback received from the Parish Councils over the last year. As a result, this year, the county council has agreed to invest just over £1m extra in improving the highways service. This will help us address many of the issues raised by parish councils in the past year. With this additional investment, we have brought in four extra pothole teams. In addition, we will introduce an extra grass cut and weed spray, and all highway gullies will be cleaned at least once a year. These measures will help better maintain the local environment, improving highway safety.

Please continue to report any highways defects through our online system at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting . For updates on ongoing issues, please contact your local county councillor.

NOTICE OF A MUSIC FESTIVAL - GRIMSTHORPE CASTLE

5th May 2019 & 9th September 2019

Exurbia Events Ltd is currently working in partnership with The Grimsthorpe Estate with a schedule that incorporates 2 shows per annum for 2019.

The first of the two programmed events will take place within the Oaks woodland area of the Grimsthorpe Castle grounds. The area is located west to the North Avenue encompassing part of the Home Park area. The first event is scheduled for Sunday 5th May 2019. The second scheduled event date is Saturday September 9th, 2019 – Both events have an expected attendance of 6,500 adults with a robust over 18 entry policy and a challenge 25 bar policy.

Unfortunately, the park will be closed to the general public during these events. Regular walkers are asked to liaise with Ray Biggs of the Grimsthorpe Estate for details of where they can walk during the event build / live and break periods.

Both events will be operating Public House operating hours (serving of alcohol) with an opening time of Midday and closing time of 23.00. Last entry for customers will be at 16.00 and peak arrival times are expected to be 13.30 - 16.30. Working with such constraints helps to minimise any potential impact on local traffic / area.

The show is planned with the advice and overview of the South Kesteven District Council / Grantham SAG team (Safety Advisory Group) and all associated local authority and statutory bodies.

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Section A – Flowers (Grown by the exhibitor for at least 2 months)

1. One rose (any variety)
2. Vase of six roses (any variety)
3. Vase of mixed flowers cut from open border (any variety)
4. Tallest Sunflower (judged on premises)
5. Flowering pot plant
6. Vase of five dahlias
7. Vase of five chrysanthemums
8. Vase of sweet peas
9. Foliage pot plant
10. Hanging basket (judged on premises)
11. Cactus

Section B – Decorative (Completed in the last 12 months)

12. Arrangement of flowers (not to exceed 24" overall)
13. Wreath
14. Button hole used for a wedding (man or woman)
15. A collage of leaves or fruits (maximum size A4)
16. A flower or foliage arrangement in an unusual container
17. Arrangement of flowers, fruit or vegetable not to exceed 12" overall
18. Arrangement of garden materials (no purchased blooms)
19. One vegetable and one bloom (open to any interpretation)

20. Greenery arrangement not to exceed 18" overall

Section C –Fruit and Vegetables (Grown by the exhibitor for at least two months)

21. Box of mixed vegetables (maximum box size 18" x 12")
22. Cucumber
23. Three potatoes any colour
24. Three quality carrots with 3" tops
25. Pepper (any variety)
26. Three onion sets
27. One large onion
28. Three greenhouse tomatoes
29. Three pods of runner beans
30. Unusual shaped, or sized, fruit or veg
31. Pair of marrows, courgettes, squash or pumpkins
32. Five shallots
33. Three beetroot
34. Tied bunch of three herbs
35. Three dessert apples
36. Three cooking apples
37. Bowl of dessert fruit

Section D – Homemade (Completed in the last 12 months, wrapped in Clingfilm)

38. Homemade beverage (alcoholic or non-alcoholic)
39. Jar of curd any flavour (must have cellophane top)
40. Jar of jam any flavour (must have cellophane top)
41. Jar of marmalade any variety (must have cellophane top)
42. Jar of chutney any variety (must have cellophane top)
43. Jar of piccalilli (must have cellophane top)
44. Victoria Sponge (jam filled, sprinkled with castor sugar)
45. Six squares of flapjack
46. Showstopper (baked item with WOW

factor)

47. Four fruit scones
48. One rich fruit cake
49. Savoury quiche in foil container
50. Apple pie in foil container
51. Loaf of bread
52. Decorated chocolate cake
53. Bake off cake (see under Section H)
54. Five pieces of Shortbread
55. Five decorated cupcakes
56. Lemon tray bake
57. Six sausage rolls

Section E – Handicrafts (Completed in the last 12 months)

58. Drawing or Painting (oil or watercolour)
59. Sewing machine item
60. Wood crafted item
61. Hand knitted item
62. Item of patchwork
63. Wind chime
64. Article of embroidery or cross stitch
65. Crocheted item
66. Upcycled / recycled item
67. Item of paper craft

Section F – Children Under 7 years (key stage 1)

68. Item of cookery
69. Vegetable model
70. Colouring competition (See sheet attached or speak to Show Secretary)
71. Photograph of an animal
72. Miniature garden (maximum size 12" x 18". Traditional or modern. Be creative!)
73. Home grown fruit, flower or vegetable
74. Item of handicraft (e.g. cross stitch, sewing, knitting, crochet)

Section F - Children 7 – 15 years (key stage 2 and 3)

75. Item of cookery
76. Vegetable model
77. Colouring competition (See sheet

attached or speak to Show Secretary)

78. Photograph of an animal
79. Miniature garden (maximum size 12" x 18". Traditional or modern. Be creative!)
80. Home grown fruit, flower or vegetable
81. Item of handicraft (e.g. cross stitch, sewing, knitting, crochet)

Section G – Photography (Taken within the last 12 months with the exception of class 82) (Maximum size of photo 7" x 5")

82. Recreated photo (include old and new photo – see rules for example)
83. Squares
84. A landscape
85. A Historic Building
86. Animal/s

Section H – Disaster

87. Planned entry that ended in disaster

Section D – Homemade

Class 53. Bake off cake recipe

Marrow & Pecan cake with maple icing

Prep: 25 mins | Cook: 1 hr, 20 mins

250ml sunflower oil, plus extra for greasing
300g self-raising flour
2 tsp mixed spice
½ tsp baking powder
250g light soft brown sugar
4 large eggs
finely grated zest and juice 1 orange
300g marrow flesh, coarsely grated and squeezed of any liquid
200g pecan

For the icing

50g butter, softened
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EDENHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Friends of Edenham

Once again we would like to thank everybody that has given their time in supporting Friends over the years. The school has benefited greatly from all their efforts and everyone's generosity surrounding these events. We are looking forward to continue moving forward with previous ideas and developing new ideas with the fantastic support we have from all our families.

Edenham's Got Talent

We had an amazing evening watching our hugely talented children. A big thank you to everyone who helped organise and supported



the event. Most importantly though, a huge thank you and well done to

the children who were brave enough to stand on stage and showcase their amazing talents!

Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for a **Midday Supervisor**. All details including an application form can be found on the school website under news and general information.

We are also looking for a **Clerk** to support the **Local Governing Board**. All details can be found on the school website.

Tractor to School

We had a very special visit from a BIG tractor! The whole school enjoyed a talk from Mr Green and Mr Bradley about farming and our local community. They very kindly gave us all a booklet and a pencil. Many thanks to them!

Easter fun!

On Wednesday 24th April we had an Easter hunt and a special assembly about eggs. The children were invited to wear an Easter bonnet for a parade if they wish.

Staffing

Mrs Allman has chosen to relinquish her role as SENCO, we thank her for all her work with regards to this role. We are pleased to announce we have quickly managed to find a replacement, Mrs Zoe Halden, who comes with many years' experience of working with children with special educational needs.

Miss Laverty's time with us has come to an end; the children have enjoyed their time being taught by her. For the rest of the year, Mrs Sorrell will be teaching 2 days in Class 3 and 1 and half days in Class 4. Mrs Sorrell has a wealth of experience working with a range of year groups in a

variety of roles.

Diary Dates

Tues 23rd Apr First Day of Term 5

Fri 3rd May Celebration Assembly – 9.00am

Mon 6th May May Bank Holiday

Thurs 9th May KS1 visit to Grimsthorpe Castle (more info to follow)

Mon 13th May KS2 SATS Week (Year 6)

Tues 21st May Yr 6 Church School Festival, Lincoln Cathedral

Thurs 23rd May Rogation Service – 1.00pm All Welcome

Fri 24th May Last Day of Term 5

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Witham on the Hill WI - April 2019

Stephen Brown, a driving instructor from Boston and our speaker for April, was informative and funny. Stephen has been an instructor for 33 years so has had many curious questions put to him during driving lessons such as: "What time do they turn the cat's eyes on?" and "If my fog lights are on why is it still foggy?".

Most of us took our tests a long time ago, so it was interesting to hear about the recent changes making the driving test more relevant. The learner driver sits a theory test at a cost of £23, some of the questions are very tricky. Within 2 years they take a practical test at the cost of £62. In that test they need to know how to change the oil, tyres, and brake fluid.

There is no reversing around corners or three-point turns but learner drivers do have to follow a sat nav. While in a driving lesson, Stephen asked a pupil to turn left, "Yours or mine?" asked the pupil.

He is always grateful for his dual controls when a learner driver tries to turn right at a roundabout without going around it! Stephen finished the evening making us all laugh with the Bob Newhart Driving Instructor sketch, with Vicky Cox as the learner driver.

Vote of thanks was given by Lou Blaes. The competition for a decorated egg was won by Ann Burbidge. June Dandridge came 2nd and Kaye Mundy 3rd. The raffle winners were Jane Clark and Jenny Stanton.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 7th May at 7.30pm in St Andrew's Parish Hall, Witham on the Hill. Veronica Hewins will be doing an Indian Cookery Demonstration. All visitors are sure of a warm welcome.

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225g soft brown sugar

2 eggs

1 tablespoon instant coffee, mixed with 3 tablespoons boiling water

2 teaspoons baking powder

125g plain flour

TOPPING

150ml sour cream, yogurt or crème fraîche

280g white choc

cocoa powder to dust

Melt butter in microwave, stir in sugar. Cool slightly, stir in coffee & eggs. Add baking powder & flour, mix well. Pour into greased & lined 12x9ins tin. Bake 180c for 20 mins. Cool in tin. Melt white choc & stir in sour cream. Leave to cool for 15 mins. Spread over top of cake. Dust lightly with cocoa & leave to set. Cut into squares.

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12 th May 4 th Sunday of Easter	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evensong and Benediction	11.15am Parish Eucharist
19 th May 5 th Sunday of Easter	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evening Prayer
26 th May 6 th Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday	8.45am Parish Eucharist Meet 3pm for Rogation Walk to Edenham	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 5pm Bring & share tea followed by Rogation Service at 5.30pm

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