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May 2021



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### **Parish News**

Citizens' Advice Local Freephone Number: 0808 278 7996 - Citizens' Advice South Lincolnshire's Adviceline number has moved to a local freephone number, this will ensure that people are able to continually access our service in this difficult time.

**Welcome** to Guy, Fi, Daisy & Willa Erskine-Naylor & Scampi the dog, at Mill Leys, Edenham. We hope you will be very happy here.

**Welcome** to Jackie and Alan Whitaker who have moved into Scott House in Manthorpe, the former home of Jack and Jackie Mandley. In many ways, the house is "back in the family" as their son's partner is Jack's and Jackie's granddaughter. We hope that post-COVID, we can show Jackie and Alan the true community spirit of life in Manthorpe.

**Defibrillator Helpers Wanted** - The villages of Manthorpe and Toft are looking for volunteers who are willing to be the point of contact should there be an emergency need for the defibrillator in their village. The idea is to create a list of contact telephone numbers that a villager in distress can call to assist in getting the defibrillator to the patient. If you are willing to be one of these helpers, then please send your name, telephone number and house name/number to the editor - the3towers1@gmail.com

**Edenham Mobile Post Office Service** is back. A wide range of services are available from Edenham Village Hall car park each Tuesday from 3pm to 4pm. The service has an electronic tailgate to facilitate easy wheelchair access.

CHANGE TO WHEELBARROW COMPETITION DATE—Toft cum Lound and Manthorpe annual parish wheelbarrow competition will now take place on 17 July—one week later than originally advertised. This competition is open to all residents of the Toft cum Lound and Manthorpe parish. See page opposite.

# Wheelbarrow Competition It's Time to Shine



# Group 1 adults Group 2 children up to 16

Prizes to be won

Your Display will be required on the Parish Jubilee Playing Field in Manthorpe at 2pm on July 17th 2021 for show

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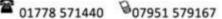
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# **The Vicar Writes**

In the days and weeks following Easter, the Church contemplates and considers the times when Jesus appeared to his disciples after he had risen from the dead. What's interesting about these accounts is that the disciples often fail fully to recognise and comprehend who/ what is there in front of them and that it really is Jesus. On several occasions we're told that they thought they might be seeing a ghost or a spirit – even to the point where Jesus shows them his hands and feet and asks them for something to eat so that he can prove that he really is himself!

On another occasion recorded in St John's Gospel (21.1-14), Peter and the other disciples decide to go fishing but labour all night without managing to catch anything. Later on, Jesus calls to them from the shore and invites them to come and have breakfast with him (we're told that there was bread and fish cooking on a charcoal fire). The disciples sit down to eat and St John

tells us that there was at least some uncertainty among the group as to the identity of their host! Some have suggested that, even though it was early in the morning, it may still have been a little dark, whereas others have wondered if some of the disciples were still struggling to get their heads around the reality of the resurrection and that it was really Jesus sitting there with them sharing in breakfast.

Seeing things as they are, comprehending what is there in front of us can sometimes be a tough call. During the various lockdowns I think it's true to say that, at times, we've all displayed a tendency to overthink things; to overthink our own actions or the words or behaviour of others. We've found ourselves asking ourselves 'What did they mean when they said that?' or 'What were they getting at when they posted X, Y or Z to Facebook or WhatsApp?' Things that often bring clarity to a situation (or help to defuse it) – things like food, face to face conversation and time together - haven't been possible and we may have found



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ourselves falling-out with people that we haven't seen properly for nearly a year.

So what can we do to make things better?

Well, in the passage where Jesus met with the disciples for breakfast, he found them doing something that was familiar to them - fishing! Perhaps they were trying to restore some sense of normality after the events of Good Friday and Easter Day. They were labouring out there on the water but catching nothing. Their intentions were honest and good but the outcome wasn't up to much. The presence of Jesus, the risen Lord, helped to draw them back together and, for Peter at least, it functioned as the prelude to the restoration of his relationship with Jesus. Peter had denied him three

times after Jesus was arrested and this was the first time that Peter and Jesus had really spent time together. It paved the way for Peter being forgiven and granted the responsibility to become a leader among God's people.

The presence of Jesus, the reality of the risen Lord among us through the Church, the Scriptures and the Sacraments can do a great deal in helping us to see things more clearly and to see where reconciliation might be needed or desirable as more of our freedoms are restored to us. Wherever we are and whatever we've had to face in the last year, the risen Lord is with us. What we need to do is to surrender to him, seeking after his love and mercy and the perspective that can help us to see what is real, what is needed and to

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have the courage to act in response.

It's certainly good to know that shops, pubs and hairdressers are opening once again and that life may at last begin to feel normal. Perhaps what is more important though is the opportunity to see people again; to tell them how much we've missed them and to admit that there may have been times when things got a little fraught for one reason or another. The restoration of our freedoms must go hand-in-hand with the restoration of our relationships.

We need to invest in each other as well as investing in the economy. Let us pray that the Lord might help us to see clearly what needs mending in our lives and to discern the ways in which we might go about it. Who knows, maybe inviting friends round for a late breakfast outdoors one sunny morning might be a good way to start.

Fr Edward



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### Live & Local - Livingroom

During these challenging times when it is difficult for communities to stay connected, it has been inspiring to see how many communities have pulled together to support those in need. Parish Councils, Town Councils, Parish Meetings, and other community groups across Lincolnshire have been a key part of this. As uncertainty continues with continuing restrictions, Live & Local is able to offer LivingRoom, an opportunity for communities to connect and create something memorable and unique. LivingRoom is a fully subsidised creative project for your community, enabling people to participate in something positive, working together whilst complying with current COVID restrictions.

Live & Local is well known for working with a wide range of community groups to bring subsidised performances from professional artists to community venues, including village/town halls, churches, community centres and outdoor events. Since it has not been possible to stage live performances during the pandemic, the professional musicians, writers, theatre companies, poets, dancers, and story tellers who would perform in community venues have come up with brilliant ideas for ways working remotely with community groups to collaborate and create unique new artworks. This could be writing poems, sharing stories, making a short video, performing an audio play, recording a new song, learning to dance, or anything from a whole host of arts activities. So, in a nutshell, Live & Local will pair your community or group with a professional artist to work together remotely. Whatever your group does, we then encourage the group to show off their new work and share it widely.

Live & Local: LivingRoom is funded by Arts Council England and your local authority, so there is no cost to the community group. So, if you think people in your community would benefit from working remotely with a professional artist, please contact <a href="mailto:community@liveandlocal.org.uk">community@liveandlocal.org.uk</a> to arrange a chat.

Please also feel free to share this email with any community group who might be interested, as we are able to work with a wide range of different groups. Previous LivingRoom projects have included a Parish Council led

Community COVID-19 Support Group working with a song writer to produce a series of songs reflecting on village life during lockdown, a village community (via the community library) working with a poet and writing a book of poetry and prose, a WI group creating a virtual museum of interesting objects from people's living rooms and a children's group making a film using puppets that they made with a theatre company. We have made a short film of some of the projects completed so far <a href="https://youtu.be/e-FjYzGUOmk">https://youtu.be/e-FjYzGUOmk</a> to give you a flavour of what communities have produced.

### Live & Local - Outdoor Performances

Some groups are now looking to the summer and planning for outdoor community events. Live & Local also has a great selection of subsidised outdoor performances for fetes, festivals, or other community events. If Parish Councillors are aware of such plans, please do forward this email to the organising committee and we would be happy to arrange a chat about supporting their event. We also provide support and advice for organising community events which comply with COVID regulations and social distancing.

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### "Bump" Up Your Support for Road Safety

Drivers are being asked to "bump" up their commitment to safer driving by displaying a **#SlowDownInLincoInshire** bumper sticker on their vehicle as part of a new road safety campaign by LincoInshire Police.

The new campaign will see motorists display a bumper sticker to the rear of their vehicle or rear windscreen which calls for road users to respect their neighbourhood by observing the correct speed limit. The pledge to drive safely aims to instil community pride and ownership of the safety of their roads.

Run in partnership with the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership (LRSP), it aims to cut the number of people killed or seriously injured in road collisions in Lincolnshire. During 2020 there were 52 fatalities and an additional 394 people seriously injured on county roads.

The stickers can be collected from stations across the county and displayed either on the rear bumper or windscreen of a car, van, farming machinery, motorcycle, or other larger fleet vehicles, and will also be handed out by local Neighbourhood Policing Teams.

People are also asked to support by sharing social media posts, using **#SlowDownInLincoInshire** and **#drivesafelincs**. Drivers are encouraged to take a photo of their vehicle displaying the sticker and tag in their local policing team to help promote the project.

This new community project is the first push of a year-long road safety campaign launched by Lincolnshire Police under the banner of **#drivesafelincs**.

Bumper stickers can be collected from the following stations from either the Stamford or the Bourne police stations.

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## Witham on the Hill WI

The speaker at the April meeting, held by Zoom, was Paul Evans who spoke about his role with Lincolnshire Emergency Blood Bikes Service (LEBBS) which is a charity manned by volunteers. All funds raised go directly to the service – no salaries or expenses are paid. All bikers are advanced motorists, trained by police.

Bikers work on a rota – it is an out of hours weekend service, working from 7pm Friday until 7am Monday, to support the NHS; though during lockdown from Easter to July 2020, the service was available 24/7. LEBBS has a fleet of motorcycles and 4 cars. One of each is dedicated to supplying O-Negative blood to Lincs Air Ambulance.

The bikers carry mostly blood but can also deliver donor breast milk for premature babies, serums, Covid swabs, X-rays, equipment & medical notes. Paul showed several videos, including one by National Geographic and one of his interview on TV's The

Steph Show. Paul was thanked for a fascinating talk.

During social time Elaine Brock, our President, spoke of her work with the Blood Donor Service, driving a 7 ½ ton blood wagon in the south of England before moving to Lincolnshire.

Members were given Easter goody bags, which included a small embroidery kit, an Easter egg and a NEWI raffle ticket.

The next meeting will be by Zoom on Tuesday 4 May at 7.30pm when Patty Harris will talk about the Spalding Gentlemen's Society.

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**Start**: Car park on the Witham on the Hill village green beside St Andrew's Church

If you are lucky, in the right season you will see banks of cowslips, deer in the woods, birds of prey, flocks of long-tailed tits in the tall trees near the railway line and lots of other wildlife - if you keep your eyes open! Oh, and some noisy trains.......

- 1. Leave the village green turning left and head up the main road past the church following the road around the corner to the right. Just as the road bends left, cross over and take the gravel track between the houses (Elm Avenue) following the signed footpath. At the end of the track go through the metal gate and follow the path straight across the grass field to the stile. Continue on the footpath across a crop field to a small bridge. Cross the next field. Keep to the right-hand edge of the wood. Follow the farm track, keeping the wood on your left and field on the right. At the end of the wood keep right along the hedge, then across the field, following the way marker, to a small bridge made from sandbags. Follow the sign across a field, up a slight rise through the markers, and along the tractor tracks. Follow marker along field edge, keeping hedge on left and field on right, over the bridge, across the farm track and follow the path along the hedge on the left and field on right.
- 2. At the corner of the field the footpath turns 90 degrees to the right (it can be very muddy here!). Follow the hedge for a short distance then turn

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left towards the houses. Walk along the end of the back gardens. At the end turn left along a brick wall, through a narrow passageway between houses. Cross the road into Church Street, Carlby. Where the road bends round to the left, turn right into a narrow gap between houses, bordered by high wooden fences. Turn left at the end and walk downhill, through a narrow green lane, bordered on both sides by hedges.

- 3. At the bottom, cross the bridge over the river, and follow the left of 2 footpaths, diagonally up the hill towards the farm, heading for the gap in the hedge (you will return to this bridge from the path on your right). Follow the markers between the house and the barn, through the gate, onto the road, and turn left into Manor Farm Lane, Essendine. Walk to the end of the lane and then turn right on to Essendine village green. Turn right onto the tarmac path and right again onto a narrow footpath between the houses just after a yellow sand bin, keeping the garden with a particularly large tree on your right. At the end of this path, cross the road and follow the signed path through the houses, which comes out alongside a fenced farm field. Go through the metal gate and across the field towards the wood.
- 4. Enter the wood and turn left at the farm track and follow the track downhill towards the railway line. Close to the railway turn right and follow the hedge around the field and then along the riverbank, passing 2 owl boxes back to the bridge at Point 3. Turn right after the bridge through a kissing gate and follow the track around and left up towards the church. Go through the graveyard exiting at the pedestrian gate. Turn left back onto the other end of Church Street. Continue around Church Street and retrace your way back along the footpaths to Witham on the Hill.

Map based on OS and the walk is thanks to Jane & Bob Clark





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"All around the Maypole we will trot, from the bottom to the top".

These words would have been recited by country folk enjoying the Maypole on the village green at this time of year, followed by a glass of homemade liqueur made from May blossom, sugar and brandy.

Celebrating the resurrection of Christ in March, White Sunday or Whitsun as we now know it, remembers the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples. Villagers wore their very best attire to attend the special church service with young girls sporting white dresses.

Whitsuntide ales would also have been brewed and distributed to raise funds for churches at this time.

The 29th May - Royal Oak Apple Day celebrates the restoration of King Charles II to the throne. (When fleeing from the Roundheads, he allegedly hid in an oak tree to escape capture). The Royal Hospital in Chelsea, founded by the King in 1682, serves a very English menu of beer and plum pudding to its pensioners, commemorating this event. Oak apples decorated houses and churches and a small piece attached to one's clothing was commonplace.

We mustn't forget the Green Man who was once a central figure in the calendar. Although a pagan tradition, he represents the cycle of life, death and re-birth and, of course, the renewed growth of all things green in our gardens and countryside.

However, you may rejoice in this glorious month, remember to pick a stem of Lily of the Valley on the 1st day of May and present it to the one you love.

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### **Keeping Our Churches Open**

In March this year, a number of people in the Benefice were invited to a "Resourcing Sustainable Church". Zoom meeting. This is a Lincoln Diocese initiative that started in November 2019 with the main aim of resolving the financial viability of the Diocese.

The overall trend since 2016 has been a widening gap between the Parish Share (the amount of money that each parish contributes to support their church) and the cost of its ministry. At present, the operating deficit is around £3.5m/year.

Our Diocese is fortunate in having significant historical assets which support the annual income and over the past 5 years some £12m has been raised through the sale of Glebe land. This Glebe land is historic church land managed by the Diocesan Board of Finance, the income from which supports the ministry in our Diocese. Regrettably, this method of plugging the gap cannot continue beyond 2025.

In November 2019, five "Lever Groups" were established to consider five interrelated aspects of life in the Diocese. Namely, the pattern of ministerial deployment; the ability to contribute to Parish Share; central costs; historic assets; and possibilities for growth. By March 2021, much work and consultations had led to proposals which will be considered at the Lincoln Diocesan Synod in May 2021.

The conclusion is that to achieve an affordable ministry, there will be a need to reduce the number of stipendiary clergy posts (i.e. clergy paid by the Diocese) and, that to achieve this, there will be reorganisation of deaneries and parishes.

There are 622 churches, 481 parishes and 174 benefices in the Diocese.
Currently, there are 157 established stipendiary posts but, as of 31
December 2020, only 117 posts
(Approximately 74%) were filled.

Sadly, the Parish Share gathered in 2020 would only support 79 stipends. Although impacted by the pandemic, even the 2019 share could only support 90 stipends.

The proposals suggest that there could be collaborative Deanery and Local Mission Partnerships five types of churches:

Type 1: Key Mission Church - a large, flourishing, confident and prominent church, in any tradition, serving a significant population.

Type 2: Local Mission Church - a flourishing, confident and well-used church, in any tradition, located in a specific village, town or area of a larger town.

Type 3: Community Church - a church in a small but significant community, not identified and resourced as a Type 1 or 2 Mission Church but with sufficient local support and resources to remain as an active place of worship and an identifiable and self-determining church community.

Type 4: Festival Church (Celebration Church) - a Church which remains as a place of worship but which cannot or does not wish to offer regular worship.

Type 5: Church temporarily or permanently closed - a church unable to operate as an active place of worship under any of the above types.

Note that these are proposals and there has been considerable comment, not least that it could be seen as an attempt to finish rural parish ministry. There will no doubt be further consultations. In terms of the future of ministry in the 3 Towers land, the Benefice has been paying the parish share, is paying its way and may be able to maintain three Type 3 churches. One must feel saddened for small parishes and communities that may be unable to afford ministry.

There is a comment from a document entitled From Anecdote to Evidence, published in 2014:

"the conclusions seemed clear: church growth was most likely to happen with 'one priest, one parish'..." Another way of putting it is:

No Priest = No Service = No Collection = No Parish Share = No Priest = ...

### Lincolnshire Heritage Explorer

As I'm sure you will know, Lincolnshire is a county rich in fascinating history and archaeology, with evidence and remains from our earliest Stone Age inhabitants, earthworks of many deserted medieval villages and military structures from 20th century conflicts, amongst much else. Evidence of this abundant heritage is detailed in the Lincolnshire Historic Environment Record (HER), the database of all the known archaeological sites, finds and historic buildings in the county.

We are delighted to announce that we have launched a new website, called the Lincolnshire Heritage Explorer, which we hope you will find of interest. The new site gives easy access to many of the records contained in the HER, helping people to discover the amazing wealth of evidence of Lincolnshire's past and the opportunity to find out about the history of their neighbourhood.

You can access the Lincolnshire Heritage Explorer via this link:

### https://heritage-explorer.lincolnshire.gov.uk/

We're hugely proud of the site, and we hope everyone finds it as interesting, informative and easy to use as we do!

We're promoting the new site in a number of ways, including via our Twitter account - @HistPlacesLincs - and we'd love it if people wanted to follow us and share the news!

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# 106 years ago this month

(From entries made by the Rev L H Cooley into the Parish Magazine—reproduced by kind permission of The Witham on the Hill Historical Society)

### **May 1915**



Stamford Infirmary. - The usual house-to-house collection will be made during May. We have many calls upon us at the present time, but we must endeavour not to allow this most deserving cause to suffer.

Our Roll of Honour. - We hope soon to have a list of the names of those from this parish who are serving with the forces, to be hung up in the church, so that we may remember them individually in our intercessions, and those who are on active service will be commemorated by name at our weekly service of intercession every Sunday morning. Once again we remind our readers that this service is at 11 o'clock, and that it is the great Act of

Intercession which our Lord Jesus Christ has expressly commanded.

Eggs for the Wounded. - We now send between 40 and 50 every week. Are there not still others who can spare a few? They should be sent to the Vicarage not later than each Thursday evening.

May 7th The "Lusitania" was sunk by a German U-boat

May 23rd Italy declared war on Germany and Austria

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### **Edenham CofE Primary School**

The start of the Summer Term is always fantastic, with so much to look forward to and improving weather! It was wonderful to see children return to school after the Easter Break with smiles on their faces and excitement to be back in school.

There are lots of exciting things going on at Edenham over the next term, including developing various areas around school. With the children's help we are creating a 'Chill Out Zone' - an inviting area that can be enjoyed during lunch and break times with activities that children can carry out with one another. We now have designated graffiti walls on the playground where children can express themselves with words and art and of course our den building area will remain. In the coming weeks we will also be talking to children about the changes they want to make to our other outdoor areas to improve these - we love being able to take on board our pupil's ideas and make them a reality. Over the next few weeks, we will look forward to sharing all this work with our community

If you want to see or hear more about what we get up to at Edenham or are looking for a place for your child, please do contact us where our Head of School, Mr Pasqualino, will be more than happy to talk to you. Please feel free to contact Mr Pasqualino via email or phone:

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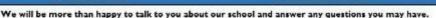
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# Jane's seasonal recipe

The rhubarb season is here. Rhubarb planted in our garden has finally come to fruition! Over the years we have tried to grow it numerous times with no success. But last year two small clumps we were given took root; so this is the first recipe I have tried with it. Rhubarb crumble was always very popular at the Regional house, with a plentiful supply in the garden there.

### Rhubarb and ginger scones

½ teaspoon baking powder

185g caster sugar

185g butter

200g young pink rhubarb

1 piece stem ginger in syrup from a jar

300ml milk

750g sr flour

Mix flour, baking powder & sugar in large bowl. Add butter cut into small cubes. Rub in, until resembles fine breadcrumbs. (Do not use Kenwood or Kitchen Aid mixer — as I discovered flour went everywhere! You could half the quantities!) Cut rhubarb & ginger into small cubes. Add to mixture. Stir in most of milk (you can add ginger syrup from the jar to give a more gingery flavour) to make a soft, slightly sticky dough, but don't over mix. Turn onto floured surface. Roll out to 3 cm thick. Stamp out circles with 8cm cutter. Knead trimmings & reroll, stamping out more scones, making 12-14. Place on baking tray lined with paper, brush tops with milk & bake 180c for approx 20 mins until risen & golden.

**MAKES 12-14** 

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#### **PARISH SERVICES FOR MAY 2021**

	Swinstead	Witham	Edenham
2 <sup>nd</sup> May		10.30am Benefice	4pm Evensong
Easter 5		Eucharist*	
9 <sup>th</sup> May Easter 6	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist
Rogation Sunday	3pm Meet in Church for Rogation Walk to Edenham		5pm BYO Tea (hot drinks provided) followed by said Evening Prayer at 5.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> May Ascension Day (Holy Day of Obligation)			7pm Eucharist
16 <sup>th</sup> May Easter 7	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evensong
23 <sup>rd</sup> May Pentecost	8.45am Parish Eucharist	10am Parish Eucharist	11.15am Parish Eucharist 4pm Evensong
30 <sup>th</sup> May Trinity Sunday	10.30am Benefice Eucharist		4pm Evensong

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: 2nd May will be a group service to allow for Fr Ed to be on leave

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