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Ruth Paynton, Visitor Services team Leader

THE VICAR'S WRITES

The King is dead! Long live the King!

With Fr Andy away on a well deserved sabbatical, responsibility for pastoral, administrative and liturgical care has been passed to me, the curate. It is not something that I sought but it is something I relish as I enter into the last year of my curacy. Knowing that Fr Andy has the confidence and belief that I can run the benefice in his short absence fills me not only with confidence but also with the belief that very soon I will be ready to run a benefice of my own. Being asked to take responsibility of such serious magnitude can often be daunting, but for some it can be the fulfilment of a life expectation, a chance to rise to the occasion.

For Jesus' disciples this level of responsibility must have come as quite a shock. For 2-3 years they followed their Lord and Master around the Holy Land listening and learning from his teachings. They too practiced a ministry, born out of the Lesser Commission (Matthew Ch 10) of Christ to: 'Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers and cast out demons.' But when Jesus was taken from them, quickly and violently, they would have felt quite alone, frightened that he

was no longer around, no longer there as the safety blanket.

So it was with great courage that after Christ's ascension, and after Pentecost, they went out into the world to preach his gospel of Salvation. With great courage they endured ridicule and persecution in the name of the one sent by God. They handed that great commission of Christ to their fellow brothers and sisters who, in turn, passed it onto us today.

So, how do we feel about that kind of responsibility? Do we have to do all those things that Christ commissioned – heal, raise the dead, cast out demons and cleanse? No! Christ understands that not everyone is able to do these things (especially raising the dead!), but he does want us to do his work in whatever form we feel that we can manage, be that reading in church, praying the intercessions, visiting our sick and needy neighbour, encouraging our fellow Christians, or anything big or small that will help glorify his kingdom.

We don't have to be the next Billy Graham, Archbishop of Canterbury, or even Fr Andy Hawes. We need to be who we are, who we were made to be, but

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Fr David P.

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– Friday 14 June. A day
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Edenham News

Thank you Janet!

After years of dedicated service Janet Cleghorn has stepped down as Booking Secretary for Edenham Village Hall.

We would all like to take the opportunity to thank Janet for her dedication and contribution to the hall over the years and wish her well for the future.

Bookings will now be handled by Nikki Gunn. Nikki can be contacted on 01778 591197, by email on: info@edenhamvillagehall.co.uk or you can visit: www.edenhamvillagehall.co.uk

Edenham Parish Wheelbarrow competition update

The theme for the 2013 competition will be 'At the heart of the community'. It is hoped that decorated barrows will be displayed from July 22nd to August 5th inclusive for visitors and parishioners to enjoy. Judging will take place during the week commencing July 22nd.

To take part you will need to register your entry with Ray Biggs (01778 591205 or ray@grimsthorpe.co.uk). Entry fee is £5 per wheelbarrow. Please consider taking part.

Edenham Church will host a concert by the Bourne Choral Society on Saturday 1st June at 7.30pm. Tickets are £8.00 adults and £4.00 for children under 14yrs, from Ruth 01778 591328.

Refreshments will be served during the interval so if anyone would like to make something delicious, please tell Ruth.

All proceeds to the Edenham Raise the Roof appeal.

Witham on the Hill WI May 2013

Julia Haynes conducted her first meeting as Chairman, thanking members for their support and encouragement. Friday 7th June is the date for our outing to Spalding Quilt Show and river trip. The Constitution & Rules plus the Resolution were discussed, and were voted on. Birthdays were acknowledged and Kaye Mundy was thanked for ensuring over many years that we all received a card on our anniversary; but she was now handing the reins to another volunteer.

Nic Lance was our speaker on Young Tennyson in Lincolnshire and a very enthusiastic and succinct talk he gave. From 1809 in Somersby Rectory (The Wolds) where Tennyson was born until his demise in 1892; the facts and anecdotes came thick and fast. Tennyson was educated by his father initially then on to Louth Grammar School and finally to Trinity College, Cambridge. His talent for poetry was evident from a very early age. Farringford, on the Isle of Wight was where Tennyson and his wife, Emily Selwood of Horncastle, eventually

settled. They had two sons, Lionel and Hallam. The family moved in distinguished circles, Queen Victoria being a close neighbour. On the death of Wordsworth, Tennyson was made Poet Laureate. His trade mark was a broad brimmed black sombrero adopted during his visit to Spain. A splendid statue of Alfred, Lord Tennyson is erected close to Lincoln Cathedral.

The competition, My Favourite Poem judged by Nic, was won by Sue Renner, who chose 'The Brook'. Raffle winner this month was Jean Budden, who happily staggered home with a hanging basket brimming with magnificent geraniums.

Next meeting: Tuesday 4 June 2013. Betty Elmer will come as Queen Victoria. Visitors and new members are always most welcome. For further information contact Jane Clark, Secretary, tel 01778 590232.



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For further details visit: www.willoughbygallery.com

5th June to 3rd July - Judith Stafford & Beau Linley

For many years Judith Stafford has been an exhibiting member at Peterborough Art and the Welland Valley Art Societies. Sketching has always been an essential aid in Judith's planning and some of her sketch-books will be on display alongside her finished works.

Beauford Linley's first commission was a pulpit for Caldecote church. Since then he has done much restoration work, including work on Lincoln Cathedral and Boston Stump, where he replaced an unrecognisable 'angel' on the tower with a self portrait in stone. This exhibition includes work which spans his career from flower paintings and portrait heads to more figurative pieces.

Beau and Judith first met a number of years ago when Beau joined the Swayfield Handbells team, but this is the first time they will have exhibited together.

Swinstead News

Enid and family would like to thank all relatives and friends for their kindness, sympathy and cards following the sad loss of Monty. Also a heartfelt thank you to all those who attended his funeral.

Unfortunately there will not be any bingo in the village hall in June

Do you enjoy a game of cards, do you enjoy a game of whist? If so come along to the monthly whist drive held on the first Monday of each month in the

Village Hall starting at 7.30 pm. It's good fun, not taken seriously anyone can play and you can win prizes.

The annual garden fete will be held in the grounds of Swinstead Hall on Sunday 28th July commencing at 2.30 pm. stalls and games for all the family

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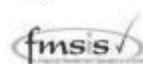
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**Toft cum Lound & Manthorpe
Parish Annual Meeting 8 May
2013 at 7pm**

**School Governors'
Report:**

Dear Parish Councillors,

Your donation of £400 was gratefully received earlier this year.

We match-funded it from our Religious Education subject leader's budget, and so, we were able to put it to great use in support of:

- developing our multicultural links.
- investing in high quality resources designed to enriching our pupils' experience of the major world faiths.

The resources include authentic religious icons, costumes and books or the equivalent, puppets for storytelling and other resources such as items used by families of different faiths in their worship at home.

Our pupils have really enjoyed re-enacting a Hindu wedding, celebrating a baptism and visiting a Mosque in Peterborough. These were fabulous experiences led by people with specialist knowledge and pupils really benefited greatly from them – both helping their

understanding the lives of others and comparing it with their own beliefs and experiences.

We also used it to enhance our membership of the British Council, an organisation which supports and develops school links with those overseas and provides professional guidance for teachers. Amazing what can be achieved for such an amount!

Thank you for your continuing hard work and support.

**Parish Council
Report 12 – 13:**

Highways. Progress to install a pedestrian walkway, in lieu of the cancelled footpath, has been minimal. The Highways legal department is involved with some of the house owners opposite the Toft Hotel rear entrance and, according to Highways Department, the highway verge has now been cleared, as a result of a couple of stiff letters from their legal section.

It is understood that the land owner, Mr Lees, remains agreeable to sell the land for the pedestrian walkway subject to clearance conditions being met.

Parish Property. The rabbit prevention measures seem to be effective as the numbers of large



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holes in the mound are reduced. A new shed to store the 2 new Parish marquees has been erected. The marquees are available to rent by the public and to date income received/booked has totalled £300. Roof ventilation in Jasmine Cottage has been improved to combat dampness following the previous installation of increased loft insulation.

Finances. Total receipts in the financial year were £8294 (£6628 in 2011-12) and expenditure was £10864 (£4645 in 2011-12.)

[Expenditure in 2012-13 compared to 2011-12 included rabbit prevention measures on the Playing Field for £3199, the purchase of 2 marquees for £1031, the purchase of Jubilee Mugs at £332, Jubilee expenses of £683 and a new shed for the playing field to store the marquees at £510; a total of £5755.]

The second Halifax account has been closed and the sum moved to the Melton Mowbray Building Society. Some £20706 is now invested in this account. Free Resource Donations have been made in the year and a total of £1200 (£1550 in 2011-12) has been donated to various institutions. The financial state of the Parish Council remains healthy with £22771 (£25341 in 2011-12) available.

The Lighter Touch Audit Review has been completed for the year ending 31 March 2012. There were no comments made by the

auditors.

General. Jubilee celebrations were held in June and an active programme of events took place on the Playing Field. The Fireworks Display was again successful and safety standards applied resulted in an incident free evening. The format of the evening remained unchanged with food being served before the display.

The Parish Web site continues to be a regular forum for Parish News under the excellent stewardship of Mr McWilliams.

County Council Report:

The Clerk presented the County Report.

I would like to thank all those who voted for me on the 2nd May, I will represent Stamford Rural to the best of my ability for the next 4 years.

Stamford Rural result

Hammond (Lab)	617
M.T-B. (Con)	1511
Majority	894

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To get an outright majority one party has to have 39 seats, so the horse trading is going on and at the moment I do not know what the outcome is. This is a new Council, so it is a time to look forward not back. I will keep you up to date when I know what is happening. The 1st Full Council Meeting is on Friday 17th May so something will be sorted out by then. Once again thank you to the voters of Stamford Rural.

District Council Report:

Mrs Ibis Channel will present the District Council Report at the next Parish Council meeting.

Parish Hall Report:

The Parish Hall Committee is very busy preparing events for the coming year which have resulted from the successful questionnaire that was circulated some little while ago. The first event will be the Open Gardens in Witham on Sunday 7th July. A Tug of War competition is also planned later in the Year.

Afternoon Teas have been started by Angela Clifford in the Hall and the two that have already been held have been well attended. She plans to hold these about every four weeks. The monthly lunch has now been discontinued.

We have four regular user groups, Witham WI, The Sewing Group,

The Historical Society and a Nursery School – Little Acorns. The Whist drives are still being played during the winter months. The one-off bookings remain reasonable.

The Parish Hall is a great asset to the community and is well run by a very hard working committee.

Toft cum Lound & Manthorpe Parish Council Annual General Meeting 8 May 2013 at 7.30pm

Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman. Mr Anderson was elected as Chairman and Mr Russell as Vice Chairman for the



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Matters Arising:

NHW review. Helen Croft has agreed to stand as the new local coordinator. She will coordinate issues of local leaflets especially for those without email. She will attend an area NHW meeting soon. Lynn Powell has been attending some meetings and has some literature for the notice boards. Mr Anderson will be the contact link in Manthorpe.

Bowthorpe Park Farm.Vehicles

Turning sign. Mr Cork has written to highways to ask for a continuous white line to be installed on this section of the A6121. Highways reply stated an independent study was required. Mr Blanchard stated he will erect his own signs at busy times of the year.

Indemnity Agreement with

Richard Hartley. An agreement has been signed and issued. The electricity supply to the hut is now RCD protected.

Planning Applications:

Mr Mossman – amendments to permission. Approved by SKDC.

Mr Smith – Two storey side extension. Approved by SKDC.

Solar Farm at Manthorpe Farm.

Although no planning application has yet been submitted, the proposed Solar Farm was discussed. The key points are that SKDC has agreed with the Pegasus Group that an Environmental Impact Assessment will not be required. However, it was stressed by SKDC that this is not an indication that planning permission will be approved. Justin Johnson, case officer, believes the site is within the Toft cum Lound & Manthorpe parish boundary. The District Councillor, Councillor Channel, believes 2 parts of the SKDC Core Strategy are relevant: visual impact of a scheme and renewable energy generation. If a planning application is made, Councillor Channel intends to ask that it is considered by the full Planning Committee. Additionally, she is prepared to speak at any future Planning Committee meeting. A public meeting including the Thurlby and Wilsthorpe parishes may be best way ahead if planning application

is made. SKDC planning officers have stated that they would not wish to give opinion at such a meeting.

Parish Property:

Playing Field. Hut door still to be repainted. Contract has been made with Mathew Pryke for £958.96 to also maintain bus shelter, 2 benches and 2 notice boards.

Grass cutting the mound. A new roster has been issued. The Clerk will confirm the Richard Harris contract for cutting the grass.

Jasmine Cottage. The window problem has been fixed.

Highways:

Manthorpe Bridge. Highways have asked BT to rectify the sunken BT manhole cover in the footpath near Manthorpe bridge. The job has been given reference number 1537342.

Toft Hotel Entrance and Rockery on Lound Road.

According to Highways, as a result of a couple of stiff letters from their legal section, the highway verge has now been

cleared. Highways will now approach Mr Lees with a view to purchasing the strip of land necessary for the Walkway.

Potholes Lound.

Pothole repairs to Lower Street, Lound, will be carried out in the next financial year.

Finance Summary:

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Insurance. The Clerk would investigate the best insurance policy between the existing insurer and Aon.

General Items:

Anniversary of 200 years of bridge. This year is the 200th anniversary of the construction of the bridge in Manthorpe. To celebrate the occasion, ideas were discussed including gathering photographs from residents to place on web site. A celebratory party was agreed and a volunteer is needed to lead a



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steering group. Mrs Cook would be the Parish Council liaison. It was agreed that £500 be available to spend. The Parish marquees would be available free.

Daffodil planting. A suggestion was made to plant more daffodils at entrances to the villages. Some 800 will be needed for all village entrances. Highways permission will need to be sought with planting in Sep 13.

Correspondence:

Rock on Verges, Manthorpe. As a result of a complaint from Carole Wright that rocks on verges in Manthorpe were causing vehicles to park on the footpath, the Highways Department has written to residents asking them to remove the rocks from Highway's land.

AOB:

Dead trees outside Fairways. Mr Darroch has contacted Ian Cummings of Highways reference problem of dead trees between Fairways and the A6121 but has yet to receive a reply. Mr Brumfield agrees something should be done but claims Highways does not own the land.

Mr Darroch stated that the residents of Fairways do not own the land. As the responsibility for clearance is with the landowner, who as yet remains unknown, this situation remains at an impasse.

LCC Matters. The County Councillor stated that Martin Hill has been elected as leader of the Conservatives in LCC. Other groups have yet to decide but a decision is needed by 17 May for the first full CC meeting.

Playing Field. Mrs Hartley stated that she had noticed broken glass in the Playing Field and a discarded mattress behind the bus shelter. The Clerk will inform the Community Cleaner.

Playing Field. Mrs Hartley also stated that the rabbits were still a problem in the Playing Field and that, in her opinion, the children's slide mound was, again, in a dangerous state. Parish Councillors agreed to relook at the situation.

The date of the next meeting. The next Parish Council meeting will be 3 July 2013 commencing 7.30pm in the Toft Hotel.

AFTERNOON TEA - 11TH JUNE

11th June at 3pm - an invitation to take part in an '**afternoon tea**' in the **Parish Hall in Witham on the Hill**. A selection of savoury and sweet delights will be on the menu. All are welcome, and if successful we hope to repeat the occasion from time to time in the future.

The price will be £ 5.00 per person and all proceeds will go to the Parish Hall fund. If you would like to join us, it would be helpful to call Angela on 01778 590331 to have some idea of numbers, but it's also ok just to show up on the day. We look forward to seeing you!

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Monday 24th June 2013. 7.30pm, David Bond "Peterborough Cathedral".

Monday 14th October 2013. 7.30pm Paul Scott (or another speaker from the Society) "Sir Joseph Banks".

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JANE'S SEASONAL RECIPE

For the past few weeks we have had a glut of cauliflowers and every evening meal has included cauliflower in some form! Cauliflower and gorgonzola soup was good, and cauliflower cheese is always popular. This vegetarian dish was tasty, even for us carnivores!

CAULIFLOWER CRISP

(Serves 2-4, depending on size of cauliflower)

1 cauliflower, broken into florets

2 tomatoes, cut into quarters

1 ½ oz butter

8oz sliced mushrooms

1oz plain flour

½ pint milk

6oz grated Cheddar cheese

2 tbsp fresh breadcrumbs

Salt and pepper

Steam cauliflower until just tender – approx 10 mins. Drain & place in shallow dish with tomatoes. Melt butter & gently fry mushrooms for 5 mins. Add flour & milk, bring to boil stirring continuously. Stir in most of cheese & seasoning.

Pour over cauliflower. Sprinkle with breadcrumbs & rest of cheese. Bake in oven for 20 mins, 200c. Serve with jacket potatoes.

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June 16 th Third after Trinity	0845 - Holy Communion 1800 – Evening Prayer	1000 - Holy Communion	1115 - Holy Communion
June 23 rd Fourth after Trinity	0845 - Holy Communion	1000 - Holy Communion 1800 – Evening Prayer	1115 - Holy Communion
June 30 th Fifth after Trinity	1800 – Evening Prayer	1000 – 3 Parishes Holy Communion	

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