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CONGRATULATIONS to James Rodgers (a former pupil at Witham Hall School) and Clare Holder on their marriage at St Andrew's Church on Saturday 3 August.

WELCOME Chris & Paul to Bridge Cottage, Witham on the Hill. We hope you will be very happy here.

WELCOME Wilf, Jo Annie, Charlie and Louis Vergette to Ashley House, Manthorpe. We trust you will enjoy our community.

WELCOME Sarah & Ellis to Honeysuckle Cottage, Manthorpe. Already part of the parish playing field party crowd!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following new parents in Grimsthorpe:

Rudolf and Maria Danielovic on the birth of Sofia Maria.

Adam Wilson and Paige Rowe on the birth of Connor.

Mark and Amy Wilkinson on the birth of Summer.

GET WELL SOON Maureen Coventon. Wishing you a speedy recovery after your hip operation.

CONDOLENCES to Jenny Gilbert of Toft, on the loss of husband John.

CONDOLENCES to Jessie Hales of Witham on the Hill, on the loss of husband Jack.

CONDOLENCES to Yvonne Jones, of Witham on the Hill, on the loss of husband Terry.

GOODBYE to Mel and Darren Holmes, formerly of Witham on the Hill. Good luck in your new home.

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THE VICAR WRITES

Like many others, I follow the news about the Syrian civil war in horror. The recent fighting over Ma'loula has brought to light an aspect of this war and other conflicts throughout the world which is often overlooked. Ma'loula is an ancient Christian settlement, as one resident told BBC news, 'we sent you St Paul and you send us missiles!' I have taken a personal interest in these events. Some readers may recall the visit to our parishes by Ma Basileos, the Patriarch of the Syrian Orthodox Church, who stayed at the Regional House for some days - I sometimes receive a Christmas card from him. Three times a year I visit an Anglican Monastery in Sussex that provides weekend accommodation to young Syrian Orthodox monks who are studying

at University; sometimes they are joined by other young Syrian Christians.

It is often forgotten that the Middle East – from Egypt, through Israel, Syria and Turkey – is the cradle of Christianity and for nearly six

hundred years a Christian civilisation flourished both here and in North Africa. In the late 600s this was swept away by the rise of Islam which adopted and adapted many of the customs of Christian Orthodoxy. The Islamic 'prayer beads' find their origin in the Orthodox choki or prayer rope, the repeated postures at prayer times are nearly identical to the Trinitarian prostrations at the beginning of Orthodox Morning and Evening Prayer. In Syrian villages until guite recently Moslems and Christians used the same building for worship on different days. The relationship between Islam and Christianity is a very ancient and complex one which in recent times has been twisted into conflict by extremism. One thing is quite clear from history, Islam does have the knack of becoming dominant. In the middle ages this was in part due to a decadent Christian society but also in part by Islam's radically different view of violence. The concept of the Holy War as a tool for mission is very different to the Christian concept of a Just

War which is a last resort in the face of evil. History does not so much repeat itself; we simply fail to learn from its lessons. One clear lesson is that where people cease to value their spiritual heritage it will be taken away from them by people who value theirs. A last thought: the recent census results reveal that only twenty per cent of the English population describe themselves as Christians. The same proportion as Syria!

WALSINGHAM This year the day pilgrimage will be on Saturday 5TH October leaving Edenham at 8:30am and returning at 6.00pm. The cost is £10 per adult, £5 for the first two children in a family, thereafter children are free.

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St Andrew's Church working

party, to clean the Church and tidy the churchyard, will take place on Sunday 20 October, starting at 11:30am, with a bring and share lunch. There will be plenty of tea, coffee, and cake! Your help would be greatly appreciated, if you can spare an hour or two. Please bring polish and dusters or gardening tools, depending on your preference!

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Fire Station News

July was a busy month for the fire crews at Corby Glen. Unusually, the main incidents were all large and dangerous fires. The fire at the Easton industrial site was the second biggest fire I have been involved with in 27 years with the fire service. Well known locally as the "Chip Factory", despite much local speculation, no chips were harmed in the fire. Grantham were first in attendance, closely followed by our four-man crew. The first look we got at the intensive fire spreading across the fire building made us wonder how were we going to tackle it!

The building on fire was attached to a huge cold store by tunnels and we were tasked with making a fire break between the two buildings. Fortunately, we frequently inspect the site and were aware that there are several fire hydrants situated around the premises. We located the one between the buildings set the pump into it. Fire fighters Ben Harwood and Tom Pacey got fire jets to work from this and remember, not only was the building incredibly hot, the sun was also baking down. This made for an exhausting

atmosphere and the incredibly hard working crews were brought to their knees.

The building construction of sandwich panels is well known to fire fighters as being one of the most dangerous we face. The foam insulation sandwiched between two alloy sheets gives the building very little integral strength and is one of the most dangerous types of buildings for fire fighters to deal with. It was to be a long and difficult afternoon as fire crews battled on all sides of the building and we were glad to make entry into the cold store with its welcoming temperature. The building was now starting to implode in on itself and so we started to rip apart the sandwich panels to get to the fire raging inside them

It took another couple of hours of hard work until we finally thought we were at last starting to win the war. The Assistant Chief Fire Officer of Lincolnshire was very surprised and relieved that we had actually managed to stop the fire in its tracks and congratulated us on our efforts. All the fire officers met with senior management from the site where we were thanked for saving the

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jobs of the hundreds of people employed there; this was really satisfying to hear. Crews remained at the site for several days damping down pockets of fire.

In another incident lightning from a violent thunderstorm struck a large workshop at a local farm. We were confronted by a stone building which was well alight with thousands of hay bales stored just yards away in open barns. We were told that that there were acetylene and LPG cylinders in the workshop. With this in mind we decided to go defensive and set up fire fighting jets on ground monitors before moving all personnel back at least 200 metres from the fire. Bourne's fire crew then turned up but, just as we attempted to set up the fire fighting jets, a 47Kg LPG cylinder exploded and shot across the area like a missile, narrowly missing the fire crews, before setting light to the hay bales and causing us even more problems!

We were now confronted not just with barns full of burning bales but the workshop with its acetylene tanks was still well alight. Again we had no option but to go defensive and get a jet working on

the acetylene and the burning bales. Eventually, once we had checked with a thermal imaging camera that the acetylene cylinder had cooled, we were able to go offensive and get fire fighters nearer to the fire with handheld jets. After several hours of really hard manual fire fighting, the fire was finally brought under control.

July didn't end there, and we turned out in the early hours of the morning to the report of a car on fire at a local housing estate. On arrival we were confronted by two cars which were now infernos; one car was parked on a house driveway with a wooden shed and fence now catching fire. As the breathing apparatus team of fire fighters Brown and Lennon donned their sets, fire fighters Smith and Turner set in a fire hydrant, while I attempted to stop the fire spreading to the house. Such was the intensity of the fire that the windscreens of both cars exploded, showering crews with flying pieces of glass. Thankfully, the BA crew soon brought the fire under control with little damage to the nearby houses. All in all a very busy and interesting July!

Watch Manager Lynch

Village Notices

Coffee Morning - Witham on the Hill WI will hold a coffee morning on Saturday 12th October from 10 - 12 noon. All proceeds are for Peterborough Women's Aid, whose aim is to relieve the distress and trauma experienced by women and their children through domestic violence. All are very welcome and we hope you will join us to support this worthy cause. If you would like further information, please contact our President, Julia Haynes, on 01778 426397.

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Mobile Library - The Mobile Library visits Manthorpe, Witham and Lound once a month on the following Thursdays: 26 September, 24 October, 21 November, 19 December, 16 January, 13 February & 13 March. **Stops are**: Manthorpe 1.30-2pm (Main Street, outside The Old Bakehouse/Ryefield) Witham-on-the-Hill 2.15-2.45pm (East Street) Lound Crossroads 3-3.30pm

Pudding Night Competition - Saturday 26 October 7.30pm in St Andrew's Parish Hall, Witham on the Hill. Join us for a great night out & taste the delicious delights by creative cooks. Supper & one glass of wine included for £7.50. Raffle. Please bring your own drinks. Contact: Janet Kirkwood on 01778 590203 or email: janet@kirkwood.demon.co.uk. Please state if you are entering a pudding in the competition.

Swinstead Allotment Association invites anyone who is interested in getting involved to contact them. A limited number of allotments are available, situated at the old football field in Swinstead. Phone Patrick on 07955 559377 for details.

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STEAM ACTION PRODUCE SHOW – EDENHAM

Saturday 31 August dawned bright & fair for the annual produce show held in the Village Hall, Edenham. The show is a wonderful mixed bunch of home-grown fruit, flowers & vegetables; home baking & jam making, hand-made patchwork, knitting & crochet; flower arrangements, photographs, paintings & pictures, arranged into classes for adults & children. 4 judges are invited each year, who take the task of selecting the winners very seriously. Points are added up & 17 trophies are presented during afternoon tea. Finally, most of the entries (treasured items can be taken home) are auctioned off, usually with much hilarity & fierce competition. Although the show is a lovely community event – nothing brings people closer together than a little competitive spirit - it is also a major fundraiser for Steam Action, Despite the peculiar name, Steam Action is a long standing committee of local residents who provide the Senior Citizens of Edenham parish with birthday & Christmas cards & presents, an afternoon tea in the summer & a fabulous full Christmas lunch with infamous pantomime entertainment every year. This has been going on for almost 40 years! This year's Produce Show was the 37th so it may well be time for a reminder to all you residents of Edenham Parish, those who work in the parish, & all those who live within a 3 mile radius, including Bourne, & anyone who has an association with Edenham School, that you may enter in this show - entries cost 25p! It is not a show purely for committee members to take part in. This year 2/3rds of entries came from committee members & their families. Most of us in this area are lucky enough to have an apple tree or 2 in the garden, many can cook & knit & sew, most take loads of photos. Well, this is your opportunity to show off a little. Print out a couple of pictures, shine up 3 apples, enter your hanging basket - you won't even have to move it, we will judge it in situ! Please think about this over the next year. Schedules for next year's show will be delivered to every house in the parish & to every school child next May. We look forward to welcoming a few more entries from a few more of you next year – after all we have a tradition to maintain – they even do it on the Archers

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WITHAM NEWS

THANK YOU to my generous sponsors who supported me in the Thurlby 10k on July 7. The weather was much too hot to run a good time, but I completed the course, coming in second from last! I raised £55 for "For Lucie" – a charity set up by Trish and Jon Page, (in memory of their daughter Lucinda) that helps babies, children and their families suffering the after effects of meningitis. Jane Clark

ROUNDERS MATCH

About 20 adults and children had great fun playing a game of rounders on Witham on the Hill village green on Sunday 11 August. The rounders equipment, purchased with the surplus from the Jubilee fund, was used for the very first time. A lot of rounders were scored, several hits sent the ball into the Churchyard, and there were some spectacular catches, rather like those seen on TV cricket matches! Afterwards, a sumptuous bring & share picnic was enjoyed. There were a few aching limbs the next day. Well

done everyone!

CLOTHING COLLECTION

I will be making a final clothing collection in the autumn, to raise funds for St Andrew's Church roof repair. I will accept any good, clean, unwanted, used clothing, shoes, handbags, lightweight curtains & bed linen (no duvets or pillows). Please deliver to me before 1 November. Many thanks. Jane Clark, Copse View, Witham on the Hill, tel 01778 590232.

WI MEETING

At the August meeting, "A Paper Object" was the competition for our members, with Jane Clark, Sue Cork & Julia Haynes securing the points! Four ladies from Bourne Papercraft Group showed how to produce 4 different cards in 4 different styles, ranging from fairly easy, to more intricate paper folding methods. A most successful & entertaining evening.

At the September meeting, 23 ladies watched with great interest as the Cross Key Cloggers leapt into action displaying 3 different dances – a swirl of black and red,



their heavy leather wooden clogs beating out the rhythm, accompanied by drums & accordion music. Pete Stafford-Honeyball explained the different types of Clog dancing from the North West, the Cotswolds & the Fens. Eight of our members were brave enough to 'have a go' much to the delight of everyone! 3 handmade bags were on display, made by ladies from the Friday morning craft group, (from beginners to experts!) showing quilting & appliqué skills.

Date for your diary – Saturday 12 October Coffee Morning: books stall, produce & gifts with our own WI craft display. All proceeds will go to the Peterborough Women's Refuge. The competition this month (a favourite shoe) was won by Jane Bradley & the raffle by Anne Cork. The next meeting on Tuesday 1 October welcomes Russ Yates, speaking on Garden Design. New members & visitors most welcome. For further information contact Secretary: Jane Clark tel 01778 590232.

Toft cum Lound and Manthorpe 200 year Bridge Celebration

The August Bank Holiday saw the residents of Toft cum Lound and Manthorpe celebrate the 200th year of the building of the stone bridge in Manthorpe. Any excuse for a party, this event proved to be an ideal opportunity for some our newest parish members to join in the fun and meet the neighbours. The usual boules competition was augmented by a cake competition, and various games involving bags of straw, pitch forks and a high bar - enough said! A group picture of the day can be found on the Parish website. Memories are made of such days, and many thanks must be given to those who contributed and organised the day. These things never happen by accident; it takes a lot of effort and a great deal of goodwill. Fortunately, there is plenty of this in the Parish and there is never any shortage of enthusiasm when it comes to partying.... It is unfair to point out any individual for praise but you all know who you are - THANKS!

JANE'S SEASONAL RECIPE

Thanks to Ruth Atter for this recipe. With lots of raspberries in the freezer, and plenty of home-made raspberry jam, this recipe came in very useful. I will also try it with fresh blackberries and blackberry jelly instead of raspberries.

Bakewell Cake

150g soft butter

150g caster sugar

150g sr flour

150g ground almonds

2 large eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla

6 tablespoons raspberry jam

150g raspberries

50g flaked almonds

Mix butter, sugar, flour, eggs and vanilla together. Place half mixture in 8-9ins greased & lined cake tin. Level the top. Dot the jam, & scatter raspberries over. Drop tablespoonsful of remaining mixture over the top, do not cover - leave gaps so the jam & raspberries poke through. Sprinkle with almonds & bake at 180c for 45-50mins. Can be served warm with custard or cream; or cold as cake.



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Notes from the Edenham Parish Council Meeting 10th September 2013	Edenham PCC (Churchyard Maintenance). Well : Scottlethorpe Road, Edenham. Timber cover found to
Queen's Diamond Jubilee: The Commemorative bench, marking the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, has now been installed at the Edenham Village Playing Field. Thanks to Mr F Dean (materials) Mr Tony Martin/Larry Clayton (labour). External Audit: Annual Audit Report received from external auditors – This was fully satisfactory – any parishioner wishing to see the report contact parish clerk. Planning Application: No objection/comment was made to the application for a new farmyard access at Gunborough Farm, Elsthorpe. Highway Matters: A site meeting with LCC Highways on 11 th July highlighted numerous ongoing issues: patching work at School Lane, Edenham and Elsthorpe Corner, Grimsthorpe to be carried out early 2014, Roadside gullies near Walnut Cottages, Grimsthorpe and by traffic lights Edenham, are to be reset and remaining gullies are to be cleared in near future. Annual Maintenance Grants: Annual grants of £300 made to both Edenham Playing Field and	be an unsafe condition. Ownership of the well has yet to be determined but it is hoped to have cover repaired in the near future. Grimsthorpe Festival – Traffic: Complaints received by councillors about traffic holds ups at the recent Grimsthorpe Festival. Organisers reported that this was due to an unprecedented (up to 3 times that anticipated) volume of people attending the event and that improved contingencies will be in place for any future events. Dog Fouling: All dog owners are reminded that it is their duty to clean up after their pets wherever they are and be considerate to other footpath and road users. Next meeting will take place on Tuesday 12 th November 2013 at 7:30pm in Edenham Village Hall. Meetings take place on the second Tuesday in Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep & Nov in Edenham Village Hall @ at 7:30pm. Parishioners can register for e- mail reminders of forthcoming meetings by e-mailing the parish clerk: edenham.pc@btinternet.com



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Willoughby Memorial Trust Gallery Exhibitions - Until 16th October: Early Farming in Lincolnshire

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Swinstead Parish Council Notes 5th September 2013

Public Forum: Mr & Mrs Brackenburn outlined proposals to form an Allotment Association for the village. Permission in principle had been obtained from the Grimsthorpe & Drummond Castle Trust provided that "there is recognition of the fact that this field is provided principally for the residents of Swinstead and therefore in the allocation of allotments, local people should have priority." Initially the proposal would be to provide up to ten plots.

Correspondence: Machams Close - SKDC is prepared to start legal proceedings against the owners of the unfinished building plots if action is not taken by them by 30th September. Such proceedings will include partial demolition of the buildings. SKDC also continue to investigate the problems of vermin at the site.

Financial Report: The Auditors, Grant Thornton, approved the 2012/13 accounts. The 2013/14 account report was circulated and approved.

The Diamond Jubilee Community Wildlife Orchard:

The planting day on Saturday 26th October.

Highways and Flooding:

Engineers have visited the village several times between June and August to jet the sewers. Work is required to rectify the collapsed storm drain in Creeton Road.

Although some repair work to potholes has been carried out, the problem is worsening.

Croake Hill: The noise-nuisance situation continues to be monitored.

Fly Tipping: Residents are asked to report incidents to the Clerk or directly to SKDC on 01476 406080 if further incidents occur.

Councillors' Reports:

LCC to be asked to examine the support for the signpost near Buttercross.

The lack of public seating in the village will be reviewed once other financial commitments are satisfied.

The street light at the entrance to Croake Hill still requires repair.

Any Other Business: Tim Bradley is to be asked to mow the Football Field.

Date of next meeting: 7th November 2013 at 7pm.

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Swinstead News

Bingo in the village Hall on 14th October 7.30 pm. **Whist drive** in the village hall on 7th October 7.30 pm.

Harvest festival in the village church on Friday 4th October 7pm. Followed by the harvest festival supper in the village hall. Tickets for the supper are £6 per person and available from Elsie Kiely. Two village events not to be missed.

Flower rota:

Gill Rudkin 5th - 12th October Jan Andrews 19th - 26th October Isobel Skeret 2nd - 9th November

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I set off alone from Witham Church at 10.30am on a cool overcast day, though the forecast was dry. I headed for Little Bytham Church, where I had one of only a few biscuits during the day; and couldn't resist buying some books – though I had to leave them there and call back later as my rucksack was only small. Next stop was

disappointing – Careby Church was locked. Good job I had the biscuit and drink at Little Bytham! The ride to Carlby was strenuous – Barber's Hill being quite a long drag. At Carlby I ate the piece of Weetabix fruit cake Karen had given me, and that kept me fuelled until the next stop at Braceborough. I arrived at Greatford at 12.30 and decided to eat my lunch on the bench outside the Church. There I met another cyclist – one of only a few I saw that day. Each Church has its own interesting features - the highlight at Greatford is the Roman coffin! As I cycled to Barholm the sun came out, where I was greeted by 2 ladies - very busy weeding the path and cleaning the Church. Here I enjoyed an orange club biscuit and a drink – thirsty work cycling! September in Lincolnshire is full of empty fields – a good harvest this year, all is safely gathered in. It was a delight to spot wildlife, including a red kite, kestrel and pied wagtail. Cycling along King's Street was hard work with a head wind, but the thought of a cuppa and a scone at





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Waterside Garden Centre spurred me on! It was a well-earned break; but I was soon on my way again towards Thurlby. St Firmin's was a great surprise – it is many years since I was last there. All the pews, riddled with woodworm, had been removed and replaced with pale coloured wooden chairs, which had transformed the Church. It is now so much lighter; with beautiful embroidered banners, and gentle music playing, the whole effect was delightful. I first started to learn bell ringing at St Firmin's many years ago; and had a long chat with a ringer who was busy preparing the Church for Sunday service. I purchased a couple of greetings cards made from reclaimed oak from the bell tower! I was surprised to see that Jane Bradley had been the previous cyclist. It was only a short ride to Thurlby Methodist Church, but unfortunately another locked door. I cycled through Obthorpe, where a black cloud loomed overhead. I zipped up my jacket, but only a few spots fell. I stopped for a few moments to watch some youths

go-karting in a field. The penultimate Church, St Faith's at Wilsthorpe, has a distinctive tower – shaped like a witches' hat! I then headed for home at a good pace, though I confess to pushing my bike up the steepest part of Witham Hill! I got back at 3.45pm after a very enjoyable day.

Many thanks to all my very generous sponsors – I raised £118, half of which goes to Witham Church and the rest to the Lincolnshire Churches Trust. Jane Clark

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