



Worlington Pump

March 2018

Meet the Bishops!

A special event for our communities on Monday March 26th

This year the Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich (The Rt. Rev Martin Seeley) and the Bishop of Dunwich (The Rt. Rev Mike Harrison) are planning a walking pilgrimage through the western part of the Diocese. (A diocese is roughly the equivalent of a county, so Bishops Martin and Mike are our two Suffolk Bishops.) On Monday 26th March they will walk from Newmarket via Kentford and Red Lodge to Worlington where they will lead a short service of evening prayer at about 5pm at All Saints' Church. They will then go to Freckenham to spend the night before continuing their journey.

The Bishops have asked specifically that we arrange a social evening in Freckenham where they can meet people from our group of parishes, including Worlington, whether churchgoing or not. So we plan to hold an open event at Freckenham village hall, open up the bar and simply get people chatting in a relaxed and 'unchurchy' atmosphere. Do please feel free to come along from 7.30pm on. Bishops Martin and Mike are both great, friendly and down to earth people, and we are quite sure they will love meeting the fantastic communities we have around here. All are very welcome.

Easter at Worlington All Saints'

Easter Sunday 1st April

Holy Communion 11:00 am

Easter Monday 2nd April

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All Saints Church Services March 2018

Friday 2 nd	10:30 am	Women's World Day of Prayer (Mildenhall Methodist)
Sunday 4 th	11:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 11 th	11:00 am	Mothering Sunday Messy Church (Village Hall) <i>No Evensong</i>
Saturday 17 th	8:00 am	Quiet Day (Bishop Woodford House, Ely)
Sunday 18 th	8:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 25 th	11:00 am	Palm Sunday, <i>Holy Communion with the reading of the Passion Narrative</i>
Thursday 29 th	7:30 pm	Maundy Thursday (St. Andrew's, Freckenham)
Friday 30 th	2:00 pm	Good Friday, <i>an hour before the cross</i> (Barton Mills)

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Elder	Heath Rosselli	01638 717337
Churchwarden	Mrs Shirley Reeder	01638 716096
Treasurer	Mr Rob Garry	01638 715611

Flowers

Sunday 4 th - 19 th	Lent - No flowers
Sunday 26 th	Mrs A. Thornalley

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Robert Lucas

Robert Lucas, who was Worlington organist for Worlington church in the 60s and 70s, never lost his interest in All Saints church and left in his will £20,000 for church funds. He also left the same amount to Clare church, St. Edmundsbury cathedral choir, The Children's Society, Christian Aid and the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

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Dear friends

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One of the great things about the C of E is that we have a branch in every town and village – 446 of them in Suffolk; most are set in churchyards that have been relatively untouched by either agriculture or industry for hundreds of years, providing little oases of unspoilt habitat for all kinds of plants and wildlife. On the other side of the coin all those churches are consuming energy and other resources, and put together they do stack up to make a huge carbon footprint. So I'm hoping to get individual churches excited about their potential to be a good thing for the environment, and at the same time to do all they can to reduce the harm we do collectively. To help with this I am using a scheme called 'EcoChurch' run by the environmental charity A Rocha UK which aims to inspire churches to aim for bronze, silver or gold standard in their care for creation. I've set a target for the Diocese that 10% of our churches will sign up during 2018, and that half of those will attain bronze status this year – no pressure then!

Needless to say the four parishes I look after, including Worlington, were top of my target list and all four helpfully agreed to sign up to the scheme straight away. Each parish spent time thinking and talking about the environment, and we filled in a questionnaire provided by the EcoChurch organisation. One has already achieved a bronze award and hopefully Worlington will soon follow. The brilliant thing about this scheme is that it not only celebrates what we are already doing, but also gives helpful pointers as to what we can do next as we seek to do our bit to care for God's earth. Can you help us? Do get in touch!

Sandie

'BREW MONDAYS' A new 'Samaritans' initiative

Samaritans all over the country turned "the most difficult day of the year", Monday, 15th January, on its head by renaming the third Monday in January from "Blue Monday" to "BREW Monday" and celebrating that great tradition of simply getting together to talk over a cup of tea (or coffee!) to banish the winter blues. See their website for more details, <https://www.samaritans.org/>

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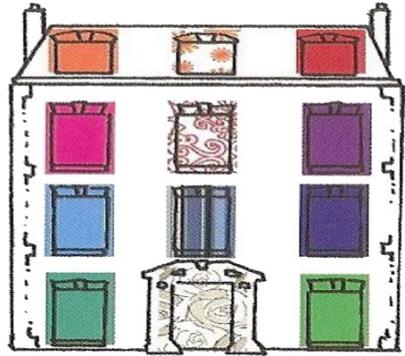


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The 1st XI begin their campaign with a tough opener away to last season's title winners, Elmstead Market, while the 2nd XI welcome Harwich & Dovercourt in their curtain raiser. Worlington's Sunday Academy team travel to face Rougham in their first match, while the Sunday Cup team have been drawn away to Bentley CC of Essex in Round 1 of the National Village Cup competition, the match taking place on Sunday 29th April.

Details for these and all other club news is available on our website at www.worlingtoncricketclub.co.uk

What's on in Freckenham www.freckenham.onesuffolk.net

Friday 2nd March, 7:00 for 7:30pm, Victoria & Abdul. PG-13. 111 minutes. Dame Judi Dench stars in this compelling drama about the true story of Queen Victoria's unlikely friendship with a young Indian clerk. In the twilight years of her reign, against all the efforts of her inner circle and household to scupper the friendship, Queen Victoria maintains devotion and loyalty to Abdul Karim (Ali Fazaal). A fascinating watch and an unknown chapter in Royal history – until now! !

Saturday 24th March, 10:00am - 12 noon, Farmers & Crafts Market. Bacon rolls, cakes hot drinks free entry – MEAT, bread, seasonal produce, cheese, olives & more, pies, preserves, pickles, honey, eggs, soap & bubbles, WI, homecrafts knitting, cards, jewellery, pin boards, bags, candles, diffusers, planters, hopefully plants & more - a week early to avoid Easter.

Monday 26th March, from 7:30pm, Meet the Bishops (see front page)

Friday 6th April, No Film - live theatre from Pentabus Theatre with CAE support

For further details - check the village website. The weekly events at the village hall include Freckenham Fun Time for the Under 5's (term time only), Karate, Zumba, Yoga (day & evening), Meditation, Strength & Balance (now FABS), FitSteps. Table Tennis & Swing Jive dance club. Pilates! New Move it Or Lose It class. To check activities, phone, check out <http://freckenham.suffolk.cloud/freckenham-village-hall>, Facebook or Twitter @FreckenhamVH



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