

***BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH
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PARISHES OF BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH

Dear Friends

Many of us may have made New Year Resolutions, and a resolution, new year or otherwise will have required us to change something, the habit of a lifetime or maybe the way we do or don't do something. Though change is not something that most people like, or find easy to deal with, life is no less difficult when we have to face up to change in the life of our church. When circumstances, that are no one's fault, and for which no one is to blame require us to look at how we do things, and examine how we can continue to be and do 'church'. But God is with us, he wants us to change, and needs us to respond to him in new and creative ways, ways that are appropriate to today, and he wants us to grow in love and understanding of him.

It's only the beginning of February; and already in our parishes the slow process of planning how to face the wide variety of challenges that 2016 will bring is underway. Meeting the parish share, the roof repairs, replacement of stolen lead, other various refurbishment projects. And in churches with ever decreasing congregations and small numbers attending services (except at Christmas!) there is the associated loss of financial income, and raising sufficient funds can become a daunting task. But our churches are run by bands of very committed people who are even now planning a new season of fund raising. All seven churches working extremely hard, most are thriving while others are less fortunate, but they all need help from every resident who values the presence of the church at the heart of their village. They do not necessarily need you to come over the threshold and worship with them on Sunday, but they all need more help, whether financially by a regular or one off financial donations toward the parish share, or by giving your priceless time, offering to help with the fund raising events undertaken to raise the funds your church needs every year.

Please can I ask you in this new year to resolve to help your church ensure its vitality and viability, either financially or by providing your time in whatever way you can.

Deirdre

Brandeston

Elders: Miss Eileen Leach 685298
Mrs Mary Baker 685807

Churchwardens: Mrs Alison Molyneux 685244
Mrs Mary Baker 685807

Kettleburgh

Elders: Mrs Jackie Clark 723623

Churchwardens: Mr John Bater 723532

DIARY FOR FEBRUARY 2016
(for further details of each event see below diary)

Thursday 4 th	10.00am	<u>Brandeston Coffee Morning, 100+ Club Draw</u> at Village Hall
Friday 5 th	10.30am– 12	<u>Coffee Morning</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall
Wednesday 10 th (Ash Wednesday)	7.30pm	<u>Deanery Service</u> at Framlingham Church. The preacher will be the Archdeacon of Suffolk The Ven. Ian Morgan
Wednesday 10 th	7.30pm	<u>Monewden Local History Society Talk</u> – “The History of the Hervey Family” by David Lilley, at Monewden Village Hall
Thursday 11 th – Saturday 13 th	7.30pm daily & 2.30pm Saturday	<u>'Alice in Wonderland'</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall. Tickets £6 adults, £3 under 12s 01728 724017 or susanebrooks@btinternet.com
Friday 12 th	7.30pm	<u>Brandeston Film Club</u> - “45 Years”
Thursday 18 th	7.30pm	<u>Lent Course</u> at Brandeston Hall School
Saturday 20 th	2.30pm	<u>Suffolk Plant Heritage Talk</u> , “The Narcissus (pre 1930 daffodils) Plant Collection” by Duncan Donald at Stowupland Village Hall

Sunday 21 st	10 – 11.30am	<u>Sunday Cafe</u> at Easton Village Hall
Thursday 25 th	7.30pm	<u>Lent Course</u> at Brandeston Hall School
Friday 26 th	6.30pm for 7pm start	<u>Whist Drive</u> at Brandeston Village Hall.

BRANDESTON VILLAGE HALL AGM

This meeting will be held mid to late February – please look out for village posters as it would be great to see you there.

Sue Thurlow

MONEWDEN LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Talks are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from Sept to April, at 7.30pm at Monewden Village Hall (next to the church). Visitors welcome £2.50. Next couple of talks are:-

February 10th	The History of the Hervey Family	David Lilley
March 9th	Suffolk Men at Waterloo	Peter Driver

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BRANDESTON FILM CLUB 2nd Friday of each month starting at 7.30pm at the village hall. Membership is £10 for the year

February 12th	45 Years	In the week leading up to their 45 th wedding anniversary a couple receive an unexpected letter which contains potentially life changing news. Stars: Charlotte Rampling, Tom Courtenay and Geraldine James.
March 11th	What we did on our holidays	Doug and Abi take their kids on a family holiday. Surrounded by relatives the children innocently reveal the ins and outs of their family life. Stars: Rosamund Pike, David Tennant and Billy Connolly

Kettleburgh Players present

ALICE

IN WONDERLAND

KETTLEBURGH VILLAGE HALL

FEBRUARY 11, 12 & 13

at 7.30pm &

Saturday Matinee 2.30pm

Tickets £6, under 12s £3



Box Office 01728 724017

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LENT COURSE 2016

We have been most fortunate to be able to plan a Lent course around guest speakers this year, all are experts in their chosen field, and I am sure what they will have to share with us will be worth turning out for on a dark evening. So I encourage you to find a lift you don't like to drive in the dark, and for those who don't mind driving there is plentiful, easy access parking at the school. The plan is to share four sessions with our guest speakers, but if you can't make them all please feel free to come to as many as possible, and to bring others with you. The course will end with some form of shared evening worship in week 5, and in that way complete our Lenten preparations. "Lord, teach us to pray"

Dates: 18th /25th February and 3rd/10th March - Brandeston School at 7 for 7.30

Deirdre

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, EASTON
is hosting



Sunday Cafe

**Easton Village Hall
Sunday 21st February
Open 10.00 - 11.30 am**

ADVANCE NOTICES

Friday 22nd April	7.30pm	Kettleburgh Quiz Evening
24 th June		Cats Protection Coffee Morning at Manly. Kettleburgh

PAST EVENTS

LINKS TO HOPE - SHOEBOX APPEAL 2015

Thank you to all who supported the shoebox appeal last year. Sixteen boxes in total were sent from Kettleburgh. They helped to make up the national total of 39,031. The following is a short quote from the 'Link to Hope website':

Thank you so much for helping Link to Hope send so many Family & Elderly shoeboxes to so many people in need. Not only were we able to bless people in Eastern Europe we also managed to get shoeboxes to refugees from Syria, Ukraine and a small number of boxes to Calais.

Jackie Clark

KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY

The results of January's KGT Lottery draw (held at the 'Chequers' are as follows:

1st Prize: Jim Cavanagh and Helen Kay

2nd Prize: E. Davies

Trevor Jessop

BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB

Results of January 100+ club draw:

£25 No 46 Phil Bays

£10 No 1 John and Mary Weston

NOTICES

NEW IDENTITY NEEDED!!, we need a name for our united 7 parishes when we formally become a new Benefice. Before Christmas all our church communities were given the opportunity to make suggestions for this. The temporary South Loes title having not found much favour with people attending the Growing in God meetings. So here are the suggestions received :

The South Loes Benefice There were five requests to keep this (though I wonder if people really know the ancient title of 'Loes' is something to do with pigs!!)

The Orebeck Benefice Now this one is clever, popular, and my personal choice. The River Ore runs through Parham, Hacheston and Marlesford, and the 'beck' stands for Brandeston, Easton, Campsea and Kettleburgh.

The Beck Ham Benefice Beck is the start of a river and Ham ancient word for village

The United Benefice of Brandeston, Campsea Ashe, Easton, Hacheston, Kettleburgh, Marlesford, Parham (plain and simple though a bit of a mouthful)

The Eastern Edge Benefice Suggested by someone as we are the most eastern group of parishes in the Deanery geographically)

and two tongue in cheeks

SLOES (because Sloes make a great gin, and I will never reveal whose idea that was!)
and

The Magnificent Seven (though I already know this one will not be allowed, even though we are magnificent in so many ways)

The date for more suggestions has now passed, and the voting line is now open for everyone to phone, email or tell me what their personal choice would be. Lines close at midday on 10th Feb, so do not vote after this, as your vote won't count, and you may be charged.(from Strictly Come Dancing!!). I cannot of course promise that we will be given what we ask for, but at least we were given the opportunity to make a suggestion, and a wide amusing conversation has taken place. Thanks everyone who took part.

Deirdre

GOT A UKULELE? OR WISH YOU DID?

Bill and Percy Phone, The Kettleleles, are looking for like minded mad uke players to come join us.

Contact Trevor Jessop (aka Bill) 724272

Or Persephone Booth (aka Percy) 723502

MARLESFORD RECTORY

I know we have an effective 'grapevine' but to keep everyone 'in the loop'. The Rectory which has been renovated and tenanted since the retirement of Harry Edwards, will shortly become the new home of the Archdeacon of Suffolk, The Ven Ian Morgan and his wife Tracey. It will at that time be known as The Archdeaconry, just to confuse everyone, and I know that they will receive the usual warm Marlesford welcome when they arrive and who knows we may even see them in Church from time to time when duties permit.

Deirdre

JOINTHE BIG HOSPICE SEWING BEE

St Elizabeth Hospice is looking for local crafters to join the Big Hospice Sewing Bee and compete to turn a used item of clothing into a cutting edge masterpiece.

The competition will run from **Friday 12 February to Monday 14 March**, giving you just over a month to perfect your upcycled garment. You can change the item into a completely different garment, or upcycle it, transforming it with embellishments, or adding/taking away pieces of material and haberdashery accessories.

The finalists will be chosen by a panel of experts at an awards event and those with the best designs will then compete live on Saturday 19 March to win the overall title of the Big Hospice Sewing Bee Champion – and a fantastic prize!

Fiona Ginn, St Elizabeth Hospice's partnerships fundraiser, said: "The Big Hospice Sewing Bee is a fantastic opportunity for you to use your creative, sewing and haberdashery skills in this exciting new event, whilst supporting your local hospice. "All the money raised from the Sewing Bee will help go towards improving life for local people living with a progressive illness such as cancer, motor neurone disease or heart failure in East Suffolk."

Entry is £10, with £5 of that given back to you in voucher form to spend at one of St Elizabeth Hospice's 26 shops to buy the material to upcycle.

Sign up for the Big Hospice Sewing Bee online now at www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk/sewingbee or to request a paper form, please call 01473 723600 or email fundraising@stelizabethhospice.org.uk

VILLAGE WEBSITES

For up-to-date information about your village, visit these websites:

www.brandeston.net

www.kettleburgh.suffolk.gov.uk

MAGAZINE ARTICLES

Please send, deliver or e-mail any contributions for the magazine by 15th of each month to:

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or e-mail valerie.butcher@talk21.com, tel: 724777.

Please send e-mails in Microsoft Word format, PDF or jpg for pictures/scans.

Covers

Thank you very much to **Janet Weston** who is providing regular drawings for our magazine cover.

If anyone else would like to draw a cover sometime, you are very welcome too.

HISTORY CORNER

Last week whilst doing some work on a talk I am preparing to give to the Monewden Local History Society on "Suffolk Connections to Waterloo", I was pleased to find the following article.

Kettleburgh

On Wednesday last there died in this parish an old soldier, one of the few left who had been at Waterloo. His name was James Calthorpe (Colthorp) who had been born in the neighbouring parish of Easton on 15th March 1791 so that he was within a month of being 88 years of age. He was brought up in Kettleburgh and Tannington till he was 18 when he enlisted in the 43rd Regt in 1809, serving under Col Patterson.

He fought through the victorious Peninsula campaign before being ordered to America where he was wounded in the thigh at New Orleans, fighting the forces of General Jackson. He came home invalided but when he reached England he felt so much better that he refused to go to the military hospital at Chelsea, and, for a few days, deserted. He had heard his old regiment was expected in England in a few days and made his way to Portsmouth and rejoined them." The Ipswich Journal states "that this was a few weeks before Waterloo where he was sent and the regiment were very hotly deployed near the Hougement farmhouse. He survived the battle and joined in the pursuit of Napoleon towards Paris reaching a small town named Arras where the English made great plunder. They reached Paris in a month after marching 500 miles." Now I have a puzzle.

The 43rd returned from America but most sites on the internet say that they arrived in Belgium too late for the battle. Perhaps the newspaper got the number of his Regiment wrong but, more likely, the journalist, it being 50 years later, got his research wrong. James probably went to Waterloo but the battle was over by the time he got there. This, after all, was an obituary and not an interview. This old soldier had served with distinction and survived the various battles of the Peninsula campaign before his American adventure. There was a Captain Pattenson in the 43rd but his clasps do not include Waterloo.

"He was discharged on a full pension and came to Kettleburgh where he has remained for over 60 years working as an agricultural labourer. He had a great liking for both Colonel Patterson and the Duke of Wellington. He will be buried in Kettleburgh churchyard on Tuesday next." (slightly abridged. P.D.)

Note, The 1851 census shows him living in "Upper street". I consulted Ted & Pat, but they had never heard of it so, at the moment I am unable to "house" him. If anyone has any knowledge of where this brave man lived, I would be delighted to hear from you.

Peter

Driver.

CHURCH CLEANING

Brandeston

7th Julia Elson and Kelly Jeffery
14th Jane Mitchell and Louise Paget
21st Helen Fletcher and Karren Piper
28th Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker
6th Mar Christine and Colin Matthews

Kettleburgh

Claire Norman
Anne Bater
Pat Peck
Val Butcher
Margaret Meadows

CHURCH FLOWERS

7th Marion Kirton
14th

LENT – No Flowers

Claire Norman
