

***BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH  
PARISH NEWS  
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## PARISHES OF BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH

Dear Friends

How are your New Year resolutions? Are any you made still intact or broken already?

In the early months of a new year there is always much to look forward to, and also life events to look back on. Writing this has made me wonder how many of you find yourself worrying about something at the moment, maybe something you need to do, or about something that's recently happened, or that may be about to happen. Possibly something far more serious than a broken New Year Resolution. If this is the case, then I'd just like to remind you about the power of prayer - something we often do less of just when we need to do more. Prayer is a great thing for body, mind and spirit. It's much better than a trip to the doctor for antidepressants, or to the supermarket for more wine!

What a help prayer can be, it's free, and yet totally priceless, and it's far more than just attending the Sunday service, in whatever Church you support. It is a continuous process, something which can sometimes be just as simple as finding space to sit still or walk, in God's presence, just for a few minutes every day, talking through the matters, concerns or people on your mind, to God.

St Paul said we should pray without ceasing – and so we should, even if it sounds impossible. If we savour what is good in our lives, and give thanks for it, while giving to God what isn't, this seems to me to be a much wiser way of living, than constantly worrying about the past which we can do nothing about, nor the future which will happen whether we will it or not.

So please pray for our damaged world and the millions of dispossessed people, and for yourselves and the things on your mind causing you concern at this time.

With love in Christ

Deirdre

## **STOP PRESS!!!**

**March 5<sup>th</sup> the date of our next United service at Parham finds Bishop Martin in our area on one of his regular Sunday walks. On this occasion he is walking from Framlingham to Earl Soham and will be ‘dropping in’ to Parham where he will preach and preside at the 10am service. He has also said that he would welcome some company on his walk, and has extended an invitation to anyone who would like to walk with him in the afternoon, so dig out your walking boots, dust off the dog, put the date in your diary. More detailed travel arrangements from him on the day!**

**Both Bishops are at our United services on two consecutive months – previously unheard of ! So I encourage you to come to both Feb 5<sup>th</sup> and Mar 5<sup>th</sup> services ( even if you don’t normally) take this opportunity to meet, hear your Bishops and spend time with one informally on a walk.**

**Deirdre**

Priest in Charge: The Revd Deirdre West

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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 2017**  
**(for further details of each event see below diary)**

Tuesday 7th	7 – 9pm	<u>Kettleburgh Craft Club</u> at the village hall
Thursday 2nd	10.00am	<u>Brandeston Coffee Morning, 100+ Club Draw</u> at Village Hall
Friday 3rd	10.30am– 12	<u>Coffee Morning</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall
9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> Sat 11th	7.30pm 2.30pm matinee	<b>Kettleburgh Panto – Beauty and the Beast</b> at the village hall. Tickets £6 (£3 for under 12's) from Sue Brooks 01728 724017 or susanebrooks@btinternet.com

# **BRANDESTON VILLAGE HALL AGM**

## **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February , 8pm**

The annual general meeting will be held in the hall on Thursday, 9th February starting at 8 o'clock. The format will be as usual – a chairman's report on what has happened over the past year, a treasure's report on the financial position, the election of committee members for the forthcoming year and discussion on ideas/thought for the future. Light refreshments will be served after the meeting – a glass of wine and nibbles - so that more informal conversations re: hall matters can continue over a drink. We hope that as many residents as possible will be able to come along.

**Join us again FOR THE  
BIG BRANDESTON  
BREAKFAST**



**IN THE VILLAGE  
HALL**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

**FROM 9 to 11 am**

**PROCEEDS to ALL Saints' CHURCH, BRANDESTON**

# **A Winters Exhibition**

At Great Glemham Village Hall,  
Low Road, IP17 2DH



Suffolk Makers of Art and Craft.  
**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Feb & Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Feb '17**  
**10am – 5pm. Free Entry.**

From Diane Minns

## **PEOPLE WITH A PASSION**

People with a Passion is a series of talks where Brandeston people who have something in their lives they feel passionate about, give us a short presentation. It could be a skill or hobby, a place, a piece of music, a poem or a poet, a book or an author, an aspect of their job, a sport or just about anything that they can talk passionately about for 45 minutes or so. The series will run during these winter months and restart in the autumn. The first talk was in January by Alastair Chapman when he described his view of the City to which he has commuted for over thirty years.

This next two in this first series will be:

**Thursday, 23 February - Lidunka Voadlo:** Core! What a Scorcher!  
(Hot and squashed in the centre of the Earth - what is really going on in the deepest part of our planet?)

**Thursday, 23 March - Michael Cousens:** Mahler's "Resurrection" (How music proves an afterlife.)

All the talks will be in the village hall, meeting from 7:45 pm for an 8:00 pm start. Entry is open to anyone. It will be £5 on the door and will include a glass of wine and nibbles. After the presentation, people will be able to mingle and talk to the presenter and there will be a cash bar.

It takes a lot of courage to volunteer and deliver a talk to your friends and neighbours so I hope you will turn out and support our speakers on these cold winter nights.

If you feel you could give a talk, or you know of someone who would, please get in touch. I already have several volunteers for next autumn and winter but I would like some more.

Darryl Morgan  
01728 685378



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**From Stephanie and Roger Askew**

## **ADVANCE NOTICE**

Saturday, 18th March – Brandeston Country House Murder Mystery.  
Your chance to be a character from Downton Abbey. More details next  
month.

Sue Thurlow

## **Past Events**

**Old Chapel Candlelit Evening** – a very jolly evening was had to celebrate the start of the Christmas festivities. Many friends of the Old Chapel were there enjoying chats with friends over a fine buffet and a glass of wine. Many thanks to those who contributed to the buffet table, and got the chapel tidied and decorated with Christmas greenery etc. and for clearing up after the event. Another very successful evening which raised £432 for the chapel restoration fund.

Our thanks also go to Pam Yates who very kindly has had new gates made and fitted in memory of her husband Malcolm who was buried in the chapel cemetery last February. The gates were made by Bruce Parrott, a carpenter and general builder, and long standing friend of Malcolm and Pam.

### **KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Ruth Darton

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Martin and Linda Sims

*Trevor Jessop*

### **BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB**

£25 No 62 Janet Weston

£10 No 26 J Fielder

## **ST.ELIZABETH HOSPICE GREAT GARDEN TRAIL**

I hope that you are well and had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

St Elizabeth Hospice is hosting a Great Garden Trail this summer, and we are asking for supporters to open their gardens and be part of it.

Green-fingered supporters are invited to open their gardens to the public as part of St Elizabeth Hospice's brand new 'Great Garden Trail' this summer.

The local charity is appealing for individuals or whole villages to open their gates and be part of the trail which will be taking place between May and September 2017.

All the gardens will then appear on a unique trail map, alongside a short description with key details of the garden and opening days and times, so that supporters can follow the route and journey throughout the region, exploring the varied and beautiful gardens on display.

By opening your garden for one morning or afternoon this summer you can make a difference and help St Elizabeth Hospice continue to improve life for local people living with an incurable illness.

The charity is looking for a wide variety of displays; so whether your garden is traditional or contemporary, tranquil or tropical, cosy or large, why not invite others to admire your horticultural skills whilst raising funds for your local hospice?

If you would like to open your garden this summer, or for more information on The Great Garden Trail please call 01473 723600 or email [fundraising@stelizabethhospice.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@stelizabethhospice.org.uk).

St Elizabeth Hospice is an independent charity which provides vital care and support free of charge to patients and their families across east Suffolk. The hospice costs millions of pounds a year to run, and relies on fundraising events, donations and the income generated from its shops to meet the majority of these costs.

Many Thanks, Sophie Johnson

Marketing and Communications Officer

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**MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE**

Your mobile library will be visiting you every 4 weeks on the day and time indicated below. These details can also be found on the Suffolk Libraries website at [www.suffolklibraries.co.uk](http://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk)

**Saxmundham mobile library route 7**

Stop	Village	Location	Time
7A	Dallinghoo	Village hall	0945-1000
7B	Charsfield	South View, The Street	1005-1030
7C	Monewden	Church	1040-1050
7D	Otley	Spring Park	1100-1125
7E	Otley	Village Stores	1130-1205
7F	Ashbocking	The Green	1215-1235
7G	Helmingham	Forge	1240-1250
7H	Framsden	Village hall	1400-1415
7I	Cretingham	New Bell PH	1430-1445
7J	Brandeston	Queen's Head PH	1450-1510
7K	Kettleburgh	Church Rd	1515-1530

Calling every 4 weeks on Thursdays

**2017 dates**

19 Jan, 16 Feb, 16 Mar, 13 Apr, 11 May, 8 Jun, 6 Jul,  
3 Aug, 31 Aug, 28 Sept, 26 Oct, 23 Nov, 21 Dec

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**MAGAZINE ARTICLES**

Please send, deliver or e-mail any contributions for the magazine by 15<sup>th</sup> of each month to: Mrs Jan Baldwin, Priory Barn, Brandeston, IP13 7AU  
Or e-mail [janbaldwin123@hotmail.com](mailto:janbaldwin123@hotmail.com), tel: 684449

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

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**MAGAZINE COVER**

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.

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### **Church Cleaning**

	Kettleburgh	Brandeston
Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>	Claire Norman	Jane Mitchell and Louise Paget
Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Anne Bater	Helen Fletcher and Karren Piper
Feb 19 <sup>th</sup>	Pat Beck	Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker
Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	Val Butcher	Christine and Colin Matthews

If you have any problems with dates please swap with someone else or  
contact Pat Peck 01728621144

# ALL SAINTS CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR 2017

Marion Kirton	Feb 5 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Feb to 9<sup>th</sup> April LENT : NO FLOWERS</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> April EASTER</b>		June 18 <sup>th</sup> 25 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 10 <sup>th</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Nov REMEMBRANCE</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Dec ADVENT NO FLOWERS</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> December CHRISTMAS</b>
Eve Crane	Feb 19 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup>				July 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1 <sup>st</sup>			
Helen Saxton				April 23 <sup>rd</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup>	July 16 <sup>th</sup> 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Oct 8 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup>			
Ruth Garratt				May 7 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup>	July 30 <sup>th</sup> Aug 6 <sup>th</sup>	Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup>			
Jackie Hounsell				May 21 <sup>st</sup> 28 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 13 <sup>th</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup>	Nov 5 <sup>th</sup>			
Alison Molyneux				June 4 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nov 19 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup>			

**Harvest festival to be arranged at a later date.  
Thank you all very much for your help throughout the year.**

# **History Corner**

## **Smuggling in our villages in 1784.**

The now superseded Ipswich Journal reported events as they happened in the 18th century and all editions of the paper from 1800 can now be accessed on line by any person who has a Suffolk Library Card, from home, by logging on to their website. The following piece appeared in 1784.

"Sunday last about two o'clock in the afternoon, a seizure of 57 half ankers (1) of rum spirits was made in Kettleburgh by messrs Bell & Pope, supervisors, and messrs Engal, Mason and Spilling, excise officers with seven assistants. The same day, about four in the afternoon, as they were conveying those goods to Woodbridge, they were overtaken near Easton by a gang of villains about thirty in number, ( all stripped to their shirts except one), who, with horrid imprecations and expressions of "Murder", "Murder" fell upon them in a most inhuman manner, with an intent to rescue the seizure; however the officers made a noble stand and a bloody engagement ensued which lasted near an hour when the officers put the smugglers to flight, pursued them several miles and maintained the seizure. Almost all the

smugglers were wounded and many of them desperately; five or six of the officers were slightly wounded. The officers and their assistants were armed with carbines, pistols and broadswords. It is supposed the noted George Cullum of Brandeston was at the head of this banditti."

In 1795 a man swore an affidavit which stated;" I, Robert Thatcher of Woodbridge in the county of Suffolk, a mariner, maketh an oath that he was engaged by Thomas Abbott, captain of The Daphne, letter of marque, or privateer, and George Cullum, of Orford, farmer and one of the said owners of the Daphne, to go as a sailor on the said vessel. On or about the 31st October 1795, the Daphne sailed from Orford to Hamburg, and in going down Orford river the Daphne sent ashore in her boat, six bales of India goods(2)cleared for Hamburg by the Port of London, and that the said six bales were landed at Barthsop's hard at the lower part of Orford Haven; and this deponent further saith that Amos Goodwin of Framsdon, in the County of Suffolk, farmer, Phineas Jacob of Norwich, tobacconist, and Jeremiah Cullum of Orford, a taylor (sic), were on the beach to receive and who did receive the said bales and which bales were carried away in carts by the afore-mentioned persons"



(Slightly abridged)

It appears that the Cullum brothers were part of the "Brotherhood of Gentlemen" who carried on a lucrative trade in smuggling in the local area. A keg of spirits was found hidden in Monewden church about this time and it is believed that several local clergymen and members of the higher classes were willing customers! The infamous "Hadleigh gang" were a large group who were quite happy to take on the revenue men and took their laden carts and horses along through Easton, Brandeston and Earl Soham as the Diarist, William Goodwin, doctor of Earl Soham noted in his diary. Obviously more work needs to be done on the Cullum Brothers to see what their eventual fate, if any, was.

(1) Half Anker -A measure of approximately four and one quarter gallons

(2) India goods- almost certainly bales of raw cotton.

Peter Driver

