

# Village News



## November 2020

Produced by The Hempnall Group of Churches

## Thought for the month...



Dear Friends

We live in strange times. As the cartoonist in my paper this morning put it “Land of Hope and Glory” has become the “Land of Test and Trace.” From day to day we find ourselves asking “Are we allowed to do this or that?” and plans made in the past become the cause of anxiety and worry as they are cancelled – or not!

For me, poetry can be a calming influence. It doesn't have to rhyme, sometimes you don't even have to “understand” it – just let it speak to your heart and mind. So in this time of Covid I hope you too, like me, will find some peace in this extract from “**Little Gidding**” by **T.S.Eliot** ..

We shall not cease from exploration  
And the end of all our exploring  
Will be to arrive where we started  
And know the place for the first time.  
Through the unknown, remembered gate  
When the last of earth left to discover  
Is that which was the beginning;  
At the source of the longest river  
The voice of the hidden waterfall  
And the children in the apple tree  
Not known, because not looked for  
But heard, half heard, in the stillness  
Between two waves and the sea.  
Quick now, here, now, always -  
A condition of complete simplicity  
(Costing less than everything)  
And all shall be well and  
All manner of things shall be well  
When the tongues of flame are in-folded  
Into the knot of fire  
And the fire and the rose are one.

*Best wishes, The Revd Keith James*

## Greetings from Liz

In October we said farewell to Michael and Maggie. How privileged we have been to enjoy the presence and ministry of Michael and Maggie. They have blessed and enriched our lives as individuals and as a Group of Parishes. We are deeply grateful and send our love and God's blessing as a new life unfolds for them.



As a Group our strength has always been the love, kindness, care and compassion we have for people, as shown by Michael and Maggie. This will, I know continue.



We hope that Michael and Maggie will indeed 'fare well' as a new life opens up before them.

With love

## OUR NOVEMBER SERVICES

1st November 10.00am Eucharist at Woodton Church  
3.00pm Commemoration Service (see below)

**COMMEMORATION SERVICE** at Hempnall Church **Sunday 1st November, 3pm**



*Remembering our loved ones who have died*

We will be holding a special service to commemorate our loved ones. During this time we will read out the names of those who have died in the past year. If there are others you would like to remember please let us know. One candle will be lit in memory of every one including those who have died of Covid 19. **If you would like to attend it is ESSENTIAL to let us know for seating purposes, contact details below.**

8th November 9.00am Act of Remembrance at Woodton Church  
10.00am Act of Remembrance at Bedingham War Memorial  
10.50am Act of Remembrance at Fritton Church  
10.50am Remembrance Service at Topcroft Church  
10.50am Remembrance Service at Hardwick Church  
10.50am Act of Remembrance at Hempnall War Memorial  
followed by Remembrance Service at Hempnall Church



15th November 9.30am Eucharist at Hempnall Church  
11.00am Eucharist at Topcroft Church

22nd November 9.30am Eucharist at Hempnall Church  
11.00am Eucharist at Bedingham Church

29th November 10.00am Group Eucharist at Topcroft Church

**If you would like to attend our services it is ESSENTIAL to let us know for seating purposes so nobody will be disappointed, please phone 01508 498157 or email: [hempnallgroup.office@btinternet.com](mailto:hempnallgroup.office@btinternet.com) Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm or telephone 01508 482366.**

## FOOD BANK

We have had such an amazing response for food bank collections the last few months and we are so grateful to all who have contributed. Our next collection will be on **SUNDAY 1st November**; any items can be left at the Hempnall Church Office, 9am-1pm Mon-Thurs.



**WINTER WALKS 2020/2021** - Shorter walks for shorter days. These Sunday walks will take approximately one hour and will generally be about three miles in length.

### **November Walk**

We will be organising a winter walk on **Sunday 8 November at 2 pm**. It will be about 3 miles. We will, of course, observe social distancing. If you would like to join us and for further information, please telephone Daphne and John on 01508 494318.

### **December Walk**

13<sup>th</sup> December Contact: Margaret and David Ferre 482562

In view of the fluctuating rules regarding Covid please contact the appropriate organizer if you would like to take part in our walks.



## **CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**



WANTED your kindness, to give people hope. There are so many really needy families all over the world who, through no fault of their own live in poverty. Droughts, floods, war, unemployment will mean that many children will face Christmas this year with no chance of even a single gift. But you can help us to put a smile on their faces. All you have to do is to pop into one of our church porches and pick up a shoebox and a leaflet, or collect a box from Hempnall Rectory, Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm. Then on your own or with your family

pack your box with small gifts. The gifts don't have to be new but in good condition. So include loved toys your children no longer play with. Return your box to Hempnall Rectory or Minnie's shop by 12th November.

The boxes will then be sent to UK and overseas children to spread the message of love and at the same time helping families realise that there are others out there who care. Please get involved if you can. If you would like to see video clips of children opening their boxes there are several on you tube or on the Operation Christmas Child website. Thank you, happy packing from *The Outreach Team*.



## HEMPNALL MILL LUNCHES

We are still providing meals to residents in the Hempnall about 60 per week, delivering Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Many thanks go to our wonderful volunteer drivers, Michael and Maggie, Lorraine, David, Sara, Keith, Andy and Sylvia and James who have delivered over 1500 meals since we started on April 1st.

Thanks also go to Simon who does all the cooking and Andy who organises the drivers and delivers the meals at Millfields.

We will continue for the foreseeable future; if you would like to have a meal please get in touch. *Margaret xx Tel no 499579*

## POPPY APPEAL

I have Poppies, in these difficult times they will be thinly spread this year. Please get in touch if you require any, and I will do my best to supply some. *Margaret Tel 499579.*



## WELCOME TO WOODTON PRIMARY'S AUTUMN UPDATE

Things have been very strange over the last few months but we have returned to school after the summer break full of enthusiasm and as eager to learn as ever. We settled in very quickly to our new routines and rules, lots of handwashing, sanitising and bubbles, but it is brilliant being back in class with our friends and teachers. We have been working on how we can best support our own mental health and looking at the changes that are happening in our outdoor spaces with the appearance of Autumn. As you can see from our photograph, we have been creating autumnal pictures with mixed media and writing poems inspired by the changes around us. Our work is now on display in the village church, we hope it inspires you to keep looking at and appreciating the beauty of nature despite everything else that is currently going on in the world. As we progress through the term we are continuing to develop our understanding of technology and are now rather proficient at remote meetings via the internet, quite an achievement for many of us!



# BOOKS FOR SALE

Now Christmas is fast approaching, if you need further ideas for gifts or stocking fillers - how about buying one of our books:

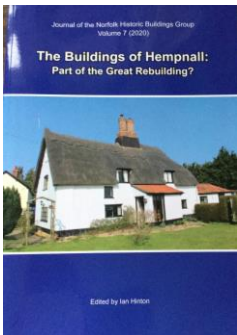
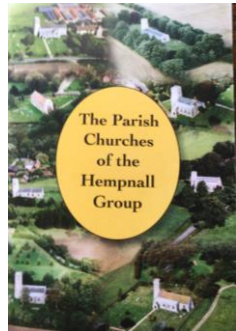


**Let's Walk**



**Let's Walk Again**

Our very popular Walk Books and The Parish Churches of the Hempnall Group guide are £2 each. Available from the church office, open Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm, 498158, or from Jill Turner 499344.



## **The Buildings of Hempnall**

A fascinating survey of historic buildings in the Hempnall area published this year and costing £15.00. Available from Jill Turner 499344.

## **A NEW QUIZ - Words, Films and Christmas Music**

Available now from Church Office, Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm or telephone 498157 or Pat Westley 499418. £1 each, money raised to St Margaret's Church, Hempnall.

# THE MOBILE LIBRARY IS OPEN

We look forward to welcoming you back!

We've made some changes to keep you safe, so

- there will only be 1 person or household (of up to 3 people) aboard at a time
- please bring your library card with you or join in the library or online
- we may ask for details from you to help with Test and Trace
- you will need to wear a face covering in the library
- hand sanitiser is available for use on the way in and out of the library
- surfaces and computers will be regularly wiped down
- returned books will be quarantined for 72 hours



## Your routes are:

### Bedingham and Woodton (CEN116):

14:10 – 14:30 Bedingham Green (Bedingham)

14:35 – 14:50 Green Lane; Rose Cottage (Bedingham)

15:00 – 15:35 The Close (Triple Plea Road) (Woodton)

15:40 – 16:00 Suckling Place (Woodton)

16:05 – 17:05 Kings Head (Woodton)

*4-weekly on a Monday:*

26<sup>th</sup> Oct 20                      21<sup>st</sup> Dec 20

23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 20                      18<sup>th</sup> Jan 21

### Hempnall and Hempnall Green (CEN423)

09:40 – 10:00 Old Market Way (Bainard Road)

10:10 – 10:35 Three Horseshoes (Hempnall Grn)

11:20 – 11:35 Road Green Farm

11:40 – 12:10 Millfields

12:15 – 12:35 Roland Drive

12:40 – 12:55 Fairstead Lane

*4-weekly on a Thursday:*

8<sup>th</sup> Oct 20                      3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 20

5<sup>th</sup> Nov 20                      31<sup>st</sup> Dec 20

### Hardwick (CEN515)

10:00 – 10:15 Mill Road

*4-weekly on a Friday*

16<sup>th</sup> Oct 20                      11<sup>th</sup> Dec 20

13<sup>th</sup> Nov 20                      8<sup>th</sup> Jan 21

**We hope to see you soon!**



## GARDENING TIPS FOR NOVEMBER

Winter is on its way! Leaves are falling rapidly, and wind and rain are on the increase. Tender plants will



need protecting from frost, gales and freezing rains. Move plants into the greenhouse, or into a sheltered spot, but if you can't, it is worth wrapping plants or pots. Remember winter can be a tough time for birds in terms of water and food, so keep supplies well topped up.

### TOP TIPS

1. Clear up fallen leaves especially from ponds, lawns and beds.
2. Raise containers onto pot feet to prevent water logging.
3. Plant tulip bulbs ready for Spring colour next year.
4. Prune roses to prevent wind rock.
5. Plant out winter bedding.
6. If you have a problem with pigeons, cover brassicas with netting.
7. Put out bird food to encourage birds into your garden.



8. Insulate outdoor containers to prevent frost damage. Try bubble wrap!
9. Stop winter moth damage to fruit trees by putting grease bands around the trunk.

10. Bonfires, where allowed, are a good way of getting rid of excess debris which cannot be composted.

## Thank you

### From Michael and Maggie

Thank you all for your generosity of gifts and words of good wishes. Despite the Covid restrictions what a wonderful send off you gave us. Tomorrow, Wednesday, we have been at Hethersett for one week. The umpteen packing boxes have been unpacked, mostly, and now we are finding homes for all our bits and pieces. Despite clearing many things away before moving, there is still more to sort out.

We feel as if we are on holiday. It is fun exploring a new area, but remembering to return to Hethersett, not Hempnall!!

Maggie and I send our love and best wishes to you all. We will always recall our time in Hempnall with immense pleasure and especially your care, support and love towards us. With our love, *Michael and Maggie*

### **Norfolk Churches Trust Sponsored Cycle/Walk/Ride - 12 September 2020**

A big **Thank You** to all those who sponsored Esme and Ivy Oakley (via Clare). They visited several churches locally. John and I walked to 34 churches in Norwich. £270 was raised, of which about half (including Gift Aid) will be returned to All Saints Church, Woodton. 21 people visited Woodton Church on the day, the most recorded since 2012. *Daphne Littleboy*

## **Happy Birthday to....**

### **Children**

\* Georgie Rush who will be 11 on the 5th



### **Teenage**

\* Theo Wood who will be 18 on the 4th

\* Thomas Lloyd who will be 18 on the 17th

\* Alfie Tyrell who will be 14 on the 22nd

### **BEDINGHAM 59 CLUB – LATEST WINNERS**

19/09 - No.56, S Crane, 26/09 - No.45, V Thomas 03/10 - No.02, B Jarvis 10/10, No.2, B Jarvis

## **From the Registers**

### **Baptism**

4th Oct Ivy Florence Oakley at Woodton Church



### **Funeral**

23rd Sept Ron Cooper, aged 90 at Hempnall Church

24th Sept Peter Browning, aged 75 at St Faiths Crematorium

25th Sept Willoughby Bradlaugh, aged 70, at Fritton Church

# Need Help?....

All Nos 01508 unless stated otherwise

- ACRYLIC AND GEL NAILS, coming soon spray tans and eyelash extensions Alice 498655 / 07872 366756
- ALINE TURNER ACA - bookkeeping, accounts, tax returns, payroll Call 550403 or 07785 528069
- ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES Call Mark Woods for advice and free quotation 498805
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- GARAGES TO LET. Long Stratton area, Secure, dry, insulated, power. Call Paul 07803 927303
- GREENDALE GARDENING SERVICES Grass & Hedge Cutting, Fencing Andy 07802702602 / 531168
- HARDWOOD LOGS Collect Hempnall £50/m3 or can deliver 07802 706826
- HEMPNALL PARISH COUNCIL website address: [www.hempnallpc.org](http://www.hempnallpc.org)
- KITCHEN / BATHROOM Refurb/Doors/ Skirting/ Architrave/ Flooring/ Painting Call Gary 07717 174617
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- NORFOLK WOODBURNERS, Hempnall. Woodburner Supplier and Installer 498393
- OSTEOPATH, Cranial-accidents, back, headache. 01953 789629 e-mail [reception@norfolkost.co.uk](mailto:reception@norfolkost.co.uk)
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WINDOW WONDERLAND: window cleaning services contact Sam Raynes		482679 or 07975579292

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Liz Billett – Team Vicar 07891 854219 or 01508 482366

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