

Wold & Marsh

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June

Deadline for next month's news is the 19th of this month.

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Rectors Thoughts:-

Every year the Church Wardens are elected at the Parish AGM, they then have a swearing in service at the "Archdeacons Court" usually in a local church. This year however it was at the Cathedral with church wardens from all over the northern part of the diocese (around 800 people). Part of the service is the "Archdeacon's charge" which normally deals with drains, gutters, general fabric of the building and keeping records etc. This year it was more a theological reflection with the Archdeacon and Bishop John of Lincoln.

The Archdeacon (Tim Ellis) spoke of looking at the church building with fresh eyes and ask if it looks appealing and fresh, cared for and a place that strangers might wish to enter? The bishop spoke of the Jewish temple how it was a series of courtyards. The common theme being unwritten "stay out" signs.

In the case of the temple there is a courtyard that anyone can enter, called the courtyard of the Gentiles (incidentally this was where Jesus was when cleansing the temple. His complaint was not the buying and selling but the attitude of excluding Gentiles (anyone not born of a Jewish mother and not converted) by taking up the space in the temple the foreigner was permitted.) The next courtyard was for Jews only, then there came the one for men only followed by a courtyard for priests only and finally a courtyard in which only the high priest could enter once a year.

Jesus turned this exclusion upside down. In stead of excluding, Jesus includes. Jesus did not come to destroy the temple but open up an awareness of God's presence to everyone. The human body was the temple and God who was/is present within all the "internal courtyards". Greater honour does not mean more privileges but being more open to be of service.

Our churches (the people and the buildings) are we hope, working towards Jesus' notion of openness rather than the closed hierarchical notions of the past. If this is not your experience do let me know.



Why do so many people say that the number 13 is unlucky? House numbers in some streets go from 12 to 14 and some buildings don't have a 13th floor listed. The reason is supposed to date to the Last Supper of Jesus and his 12 disciples

when the first person leave the table was Judas, Christ's betrayer. But even before the coming of Jesus, the Romans thought 13 was wrong because the year has 12 months so to go beyond

12 meant to be past natural limits. 13 is also associated with a day of the week, Friday and possibly the reasons for this was that Friday was known as hangman's day' and 13 steps usually led to the gallows.

There is even a word for the fear of the number 13: it is triskaidekaphobia. So should we be frightened of a number? When there is a Friday 13th in the month (like in this month) will bad things happen to us? Of course not, it is just a number.



What do we believe?

At the request of several people to explore what we believe in an informal setting without being tied to expectations. This group will start meeting on 16th June at 7.00pm in "Beckets" (Mumby Church). Length of time and frequency to be decided by the group. If you would like to join us you are welcome.

Please Note !!!!!
Remember the next edition of theWold & Marsh is for July & August Material to Tracy

**Contributions this month only to Tracy
NOT to the Rector**

Testing Time at Quiz & Auction

Mrs Belton's team won the Quiz on 10th May at the Willoughby Arms (but we won't mention what the score was). The auction went off to a flying start thanks to the skills of auctioneer Mr Ted Wherry; a fantastic £350 was raised!! A huge thank you to Tom and Kerry of the Willoughby Arms for hosting the event, Mr Wherry and everyone who took part. A merry evening was had by all, especially Mrs Irving, who then went on to win the house Bingo cash prize!!

Don't forget the school production of "Joseph" 1st & 2nd July. Ask at School for details.

Sue Belton



From a play about waste during "Book Week" at St Helena's school with assistance from Seagull Productions

A big thank you to all the flower arrangers who made the church so beautiful for the flower festival and to everyone who so kindly cleaned, polished and gave and served refreshments.

Joan Parish

The Flower Festival was part of celebrating the launch of the book about Willoughby which is a professional piece of work. The tasks needed to get the book ready for launch are considerable and the effort of such a good day around the launch deserves a round of applause to all involved.

Daffyd



Not all of the kids sleep but they do say thankyou

The WilloughBees

A welcome change of our venue meant the meeting on May 2nd was at Sheila Jones' where we could relax in comfort for an enjoyable and unusual talk on "Dolls" by Mrs T Parker. This talented lady who was a ballerina, is a water colour artist and now we find makes her own very beautiful dolls.

Mrs Parker told us many interesting facts about how dolls are made plus a little story about each doll shown to us. The ingenuity of detail of the tiny ones was fascinating. We learnt the difference between a Dutch doll and a cone doll. A dolls house doll representing Chertsey, Portrayed Blanche Herriot (from the time of the "War of the Roses") who saved her lover's life by climbing the tower and preventing the bell being rung for Vespers by holding the clapper. Today the "Curfew Bell" is still rung at 8.00pm every night.

Mrs Parker, a leading member of the "Dollmakers Circle of Great Britain", shared many intriguing methods of doll-making including a simple handkerchief doll to making doll's faces from many varied materials.

We all had our own particular favourites, mine were a "Pedlar" doll and a "Tudor" doll, though the ballerina and the one handed down from the Empress Eugenie of France were both beautiful.

Eileen Sharpe gave the vote of thanks for this very enjoyable evening's talk.

Raffle winners: Sue Hickman & Gloria Bridgman.

Competition winners: 1st Sue Hickman, 2nd Dorothy Wilson, 3rd Mary Pridgeon

June 6th meeting: Rev M Harrison. Talk on her life.

Competition Your Favourite poem.

St George's Day

I would like to thank all my friends who helped me to make the St. George's Day Supper and Concert such a success. The cooking, serving, selling raffle tickets, washing up and cleaning up by enthusiastic volunteers made the occasion possible.

Many thanks also to the marvellous entertainment provided by Vera, Hannah and Glennis. You did us proud.

Much of the profit was made by the raffle. Thanks you for donating raffle prizes and also purchasing tickets. As a result of enjoying a delicious supper and a equally enjoyable concert, we were able to raise £117.88 for Diabetics and £116 to the village Hall Refurbishment Fund (including rent).

The enthusiastic flag waving in the finale showed it was all worth while. (It is also rumoured that a certain amount of dragons were slain!)

Glennis Smith

Think of a number.

Multiply it by 3. Now add 13.

Take away the number you first thought of.

Now add 7.

Take away 2.

Add back the number you first thought of.

Now, close your eyes.

Now see page 4

AGE CONCERN LINDSEY

Some people look forward eagerly to retirement, some dread it; most people probably fall somewhere between these two extremes.

Whatever your attitude, however positive your feelings, retirement is a time of adjustment — and adjustment is not always easy.

Retirement may mean that you have more control over your life than ever before: the 50 or so hours that were taken up by work and travelling to work are now yours to spend as you like. The fact that you are working can sometimes provide convenient excuses:

- I've always wanted to take up painting, but I never have the time
- I'm unfit but am always too busy and tired to do anything about it.
- I know the house needs a lot doing to it but I seem to spend the whole weekend just catching up.

Leaving work strips away all these excuses at once. Whereas an extra couple of hours a day free might have seemed like an unqualified bonus, having the whole week free to spend as you choose may seem positively daunting!

Retirement can cause stress in people's relationships. Couples who have been married for 30 or 40 years may find their relationship under strain if they are suddenly thrown together for 24 hours a day. You may find yourselves having to work out afresh how you're going to live together, just as you did when you were first married.

Don't rush into anything which you

may regret — relax and enjoy yourself at first and give yourselves a few week's break before considering:

- voluntary work,
- craft classes,
- exercise (e.g. walking or cycling) for your health
- joining clubs of various types
- holidays
- travelling
- doing the 101 things which you never made time for before!

Remember it's just another stage in ones' life — like starting school - try to enjoy it while you have good health. If you need any help our office is at

The Old School House, Manor House Street, HORNCastle LN9 5HF 01507 524242

Take good care of yourselves -
God Bless PSB.

13 WORDS?

I am sure that you can get more than 13 words out of the letters of the word. All words should be at least three letters long and you can only use the letters as often as K so you can't have a word with more than one K in it).

TRISKAIDEKAPHOBIA

'Phobia' means fear so that starts you off with one word.

*Did you hear about the man
who went around asking
people if they were
superstitious?*

And then asked to borrow £13?

Dream on!

I remember well the morning I stepped off the train and walked out of the station and on to the streets of Brighton for the first time. It was a glorious day. As I looked down the hill toward the sea front I instantly decided that this was where I wanted to spend the next three years. If it had been raining that day perhaps I would never have studied Mechanical Engineering at Brighton Polytechnic. It's amazing how much better a place can look, and feel when the sun is shining. We are surrounded by beautiful places and beautiful people.

Have you ever dreamt about a better life for yourself and others? Why not spend some time dreaming? Dream about a world where God's love, joy, peace and healing power are freely flowing. What a wonderful world that would be. As your mind comes back to reality hold on to the dream and remember that God is able to do more than we can ever ask or imagine.

There are three key words in my work at present: vision, faith and perseverance. Vision comes from prayerful dreaming. Faith is about remembering that we have a God who can bring vision into reality, even in the face of immense difficulty. Perseverance is what we need if we are to keep the vision ever in front of us, trusting that God is working out His purposes in our midst. Dream on!

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MUMBY NEWS

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Items for inclusion in the next issue should reach me by the Monday previous to the 19th of this month.

A Special Thought:

There is no heavier load than a chip on your shoulder!

Welcome to Mumby

Just a reminder - The booklet, "WELCOME TO MUMBY," designed to welcome and assist new residents coming into the Village, is available from Chris Dring, Steve Mugglestone, the Red Lion and the Church. If someone moves in near you, please be good neighbours, collect a copy and take it round to them as soon as possible.

"Lives Aid"

The EASTER RAFFLE, organised by the Red Lion Landlord, Steve Brown, raised £70.00 for First Responder funds.

On the evening of Friday, 25th April, Steve Brown and Chris Collins staged a General- knowledge Quiz, in the Red Lion. Although it was arranged at short notice, with several regular teams having other commitments, those who were able to take part had a great time.

Winners were "The Barflies," (89) followed by "The Village People," (76) "North & South," (64) and "DD+P." (63)

Once again, on Friday 16th May, Steve and Chris, with more than a little help from Sue, gave us another test of general knowledge. This time eight teams took part, with "The Firm", with a score of 86, coming out on top, with "Mexican" beating "Mumby Mumblers" on the tie break for 2nd and 3rd, both scoring 71. "Brown Boffins" finished close on 68. Super nights, boosting funds.

10th Annual Art Exhibition & Sale of Paintings.

For three days, over the May Day Bank Holiday, Becket's was filled with paintings. Close on 350 works were on display, mainly from local artists who regularly support the event. This year, an area was set-aside for the children of local primary schools to display their artistic achievements. It was so well received that it will become a regular feature and be expanded. A steady stream of visitors came along to view and buy, with prices ranging from £10 to £150, many taking time out to try their luck on the Tombola and to enjoy the wide range of refreshments at the Holy Roll Café.

An event of this size creates a lot of hard work, over a long period of time, for our dedicated volunteers

and the "Church" wishes to thank them all for their support in this, the major Church fund-raising event.

Mumby Community Group

Our second fund raising event, a family Beetle Drive, was held on 30th May in Becket's. As this will have gone to print before the result of participation is known, we will tell you all about it in the next W & M.

On **Friday, 27th June** we shall be having a Cheese & Wine and Murder Mystery Evening in Becket's. This is still in the process of being organised - so watch out for the posters and fliers once it is finalised. If anyone would care to donate a prize, or some cheese or wine, it would be most appreciated. For further details, please ring Russell on 490179 or Roger on 490878.

Finally, we are collecting BOOKS for a Book Sale later in the year; so if you have any books that you would care to donate, please ring Roger or Eileen on 490878.

Crafty Afternoon Club.

On Monday, 12th May our guest speaker was Patrick Purves. As the musician for the Alford Morris Dancers, He was able to tell us the history of Morris Dancing, how it came about and, at one time, how dancing was deemed to be licentious and depraved. The costumes that they wear relate to the old days when the poor, dressed in their Sunday- best to go to Church, would have clean stockings to roll over the bottoms of their dirty breeches and a kerchief to keep the neck of their shirts clean. They would also tie baler bands round their trousers to prevent rats climbing their legs.

It was an interesting afternoon, with Patrick playing his whistle and singing one or two folk songs. Saturday, 7th June, 2pm to 4pm - Our Summer Fayre.

There will be lots of unusual as well as familiar things to buy, including cakes, books, bric-a-brac, gifts, home made toys, plants etc. Drinks and light refreshments will be available, together with Beryl's famous Tombola stall.

Monday 16th June, 2pm to 4pm. A visit by Mark Blythe, the Regional Development Officer of the Lincolnshire Integrated Voluntary Emergency Service - LIVES for short. The Crafty Club will be presenting a cheque for £400 to the Mumby group of First Responders. Please come along and bring a friend, as Mark will be explaining how the First Responders scheme works.

Eileen Gilburd.

Mumby Parish Council.

The Annual General Meeting was held, in Becket's, on Tuesday, 13th May, followed by the Annual Parish Meeting.

After serving three years in office, the retiring Chairman, Councillor Chris Dring thanked the members for their support, particularly Mike Skarratts and Reg. Kirby who had resigned from office. Councillor Steve Mugglestone was elected as Chairman and he paid tribute to Cllr. Dring's dedication during his term. Other Councillors are Allan Stark, Chris Dring, Selma Harrington, and Joan Stapleton. All were unopposed at the recent Elections, leaving two vacancies. Roger Gilburd was co-opted to fill one and the other is open to a volunteer until 26th June.

Two members of the public and Police Constable Chapman attended the meeting.

Community Voluntary Car Service

CAN YOU HELP? Volunteer Drivers are needed in this area - If you can help, please contact the Co-ordinator on 442502 ASAP.

Junior Club night

Friday the 9th May saw Becket's alive with young people enjoying an hour of Table Tennis, miniature modal cars, various table top games as well as enjoying the playstation 2 displaying on a large screen. The leaders enjoyed the evening as well.

This was a "one off" to test need for next autumn. But to make it a regular event we need people to run it that will have to be police cleared to work with young people. If you would like work with young people have a chat with me so that the club can become a reality for next year.

Daffyd

What's on in Mumby?

Every Monday, 2.00 till 4.00pm: in Becket's - Crafty Afternoon Club. New members always welcomed.

Saturday, 7th June: 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Becket's - Crafty Afternoon Club's Summer Fayre. Cakes, Craft Work, Bric-a-brac, Tombola, Raffle etc. Refreshments.

Tuesday 10th: 6.00pm at Becket's Presentation of cheque to the "well project" by Bp John. Funding part of Parish Pump projects by the Conservation Foundation in conjunction with Mumby PC.

Wednesday, 11th June: @ 7.00pm - Mumby Church - Deanery Synod Meeting.

Friday, 27th June: in Becket's - Cheese & Wine + Murder Mystery. (See Community Group news.)

BONES

The membership of any organisation is made up of four sets of bones. There are the **Wishbones**, who spend all their time wishing someone else would do the work; along with the **Jawbones**, who do all the talking but very little else. Another group is the **Knucklebones** — they knock everything that anybody else tries to do. But most valuable are the **Backbones**, who get under the load and actually do the work. To which set do you belong?

FAIR DEAL FOR CHARITIES

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TIME UP, FOLKS

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Their hero had done it again. His car had proved reliable, the Pit Crew had changed tyres in less than nine seconds. It was time to receive the Trophy. Then came the winner's time. He'd beaten the second man by 1/100th of a second.

Some time ago, I'd needed a small operation. My waiting time? About six months. Still in plenty of time to keep me typewriting my way through life! Our Summer time here is wintertime in New Zealand. No wonder travellers get jet lag. It all takes a bit of figuring out. When astronauts fire themselves into space, how do they set their watches? Or figure out breakfast time from bedtime? We human beings set our clocks in unison with the rotation of the earth. But what does God do? When we join Him in that Heavenly Kingdom to which we look hopefully, will we find Australian angels dozing whilst we stretch our wings ready for take-off?

I've probably got it all wrong. But God hasn't. When He writes that one day is the same as a thousand years, He is smack on time. *1 John 5 v 13* tells us that the very moment we sincerely believe in Jesus Christ we have eternal life. Not someday soon, but now. Eternal life means we aren't to be subjected to time at all. In that New Heaven and New Earth promised in *Rev 21 vv 1 & 2* the New Jerusalem will descend from Heaven. Consequently, like orbiting space ships, it must be outside time itself

One thing I do know... God's timing is perfect. He answers my prayers every time... and that's enough for me.



Three candidates and only two church warden places made the annual meeting a little fraught



	June		6.30pm	Every Tuesday ½ hour of Prayer at Mumby	All Welcome
			6.30pm	Every Wednesday ½ hour of Prayer at Willoughby	All Welcome
		Willoughby	10.00am	Sunday School in the Tower every Sunday	
1st	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Easter 7	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
8th	Sunday	Ulceby	9.00	Pentecost	Eucharist
		Willoughby	10.00		Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
15th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Trinity	Eucharist
		Sloothby	3.00		ESB Even
22nd	Sunday	Willoughby	10.00	Trinity 1	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
29th	Sunday	Sloothby		No Service	
	July				
6th	Sunday	Willoughby	10.00	Trinity 3	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	

Barnabas : Acts 11:19-30

During this month (11th) we think about Barnabas, who is remembered for his great influence on the early church. He quickly became known by this nickname (*'Son of encouragement'*) because of his open heartedness (Acts 4:36), and he remains a model of generous lifestyle for us today.

Barnabas' Generosity

It was an act of spontaneous generosity that first brought Barnabas to prominence in the church. He sold a field, and gave the proceeds to the church (Acts 4:35-6). It was characteristic of his

generous lifestyle, which itself was a response to the grace of God at work in him and others (11:23).

To what extent are our lives characterised by generosity towards others?

Barnabas' Graciousness

Antioch was the first predominantly Gentile church, as Greek speakers became Christians (11:20,21). The leaders in Jerusalem sent Barnabas to oversee the church, recognising his willingness to welcome the new believers with an open heart. He was prepared to embrace what God was doing in an unfamiliar setting, and so encourage the developing church. In what ways have we seen God work in surprising people and situations?

Barnabas' Greatness

While the Jerusalem leaders were nervous of Paul (cf Acts 9:26,27), Barnabas was

prepared to bring him to Antioch, to teach and build up the church (11:25,26). He did not allow jealousy or knowledge of Paul's past life to prevent him from seeing Paul's central place in God's purposes. In this way Barnabas was instrumental in establishing Paul's wider ministry to the Gentiles.

·How do we accept and encourage others, despite their past actions?

In describing Barnabas as *'a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith'* (11:24), Luke challenges us to see him as a practical model for our own lives.

Paul Hardingham

Willoughby Rota - June 2003			
	Flowers/Brasses	Lectern	Cleaning
7th June	Mrs Parish Mrs Bristow	Mrs Kemp	Mrs Toyne Mrs Green
21st June	Mrs Skinn Mrs Seymour	Mrs Pridgeon	Mr & Mrs Mountain
5th July	Mrs Jones Mrs Kemp	Mrs Pridgeon	Mrs Smith Mrs Hickman

