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The magazine must go to print on Thursday 20th September.

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Our Rector writes:

We recently celebrated Norfolk Day, when numerous events took place all over the county, including Open Church Day when people visit some of our 650 churches. It's the ideal time to remember and appreciate our natural beautiful surroundings and architectural heritage and culture. One look at our visitors' books tell us that our churches are visited by people from all over the world. We are pleased to point out that our churches are nearly always open and welcoming. Last month our parishes were mentioned by name in the Diocesan Calendar of Prayer and we were invited to join in a service of Evening Prayer at our 900 year old Norwich cathedral, where we were warmly welcomed by the Dean, the Very Rev Jane Hedges.

Norfolk is a county of diversity. There seems to be something for everyone. We are blessed to be able to enjoy so much variety of delicious home grown produce. There is a wide choice of leisure activities; stately homes and gardens to visit, fetes, garden parties, drama productions, musical events, sport to name but a few. The continuous warm weather has encouraged people to go out whilst others are seeking refuge inside and I have asked myself if I am really here or still back in Spain!

Our services at Thornage Hall and Swanton House Care Home seem to be popular but residents and staff can also attend our services in church. Their presence is an enriching influence on community life. Wherever we are, we are able to find the presence of God if we seek it.

Our benefice Home Group and Men's Group provide a positive supporting role, not only as far as Bible study is concerned, but on developing people's spiritual richness in general and building up fellowship.

"Make two homes for thyself... one actual home.... and another spiritual home, which thou art to carry with thee always."

Please contact Jennifer if you would like her to visit you
or bring Communion to you at home.

Her telephone number is 01263 502068 and her Email is:
rev.riverol@brininghambenefice.org.uk

Prayer Requests for Our Parishes

Each of our Parish Churches has (at the back) a Prayer Request Book. Please do write down your requests (anonymously if you wish) and we will pray for the situation. Prayer requests can also be made either by telephone to the Rector on 502068 or online to:

prayer@brininghambenefice.org.uk

(again anonymously, if you wish). We will then be able to pray for the need at the next service, wherever it is, and pass on these requests to a few people who will undertake to pray.

EXTRA SERVICES

- Wednesday 5 September: Morning Prayer
St Maurice, Briningham
9.30am
- Wednesday 5 September: Songs of Praise
Swanton House Care Home
2pm
- Sunday 9 September: Collation / Installation of
Archdeacon Ian Bentley
Norwich Cathedral
3.30pm
- Every Wednesday evening: Briningham Home Group
Study of St John's Gospel
7.30pm

Wednesday 12 September, 2.00 - 3.30pm

Recycling Club at Thornage Church

Join our group - we re-cycle Christmas and greetings cards to raise funds for All Saints Church, Thornage. We gratefully accept discarded cards, thank you.

Service rotas

The service rotas are based on a two month cycle and each church has Holy Communion one month and Morning Prayer the next. These will vary slightly with seasonal events such as Harvest, Remembrance and Christmas, although we will try, as much as possible, to maintain the rota pattern. There will be a benefice service on the fourth Sunday of each month and on the fifth Sunday when it occurs. These will take place at each church in turn.

The service of Morning Worship has been replaced with the Common Worship service of Morning Prayer.

You can find this month's church services on page 24 of 'In Touch' or on the website:
www.brininghambenefice.org.uk

We Plough the Fields and Scatter

We plough the fields and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand:
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft, refreshing rain.

Refrain:
All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord,
For all his love.

He only is the maker
Of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey him,
By him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, his children,
He gives our daily bread.

Refrain:
All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord,
For all his love.

We thank thee then, O Father
For all things bright and good,
The seed time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
For all thy love imparts
And what thou most desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts.

Refrain:
All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord,
For all his love.

The Briningham defibrillator fund

On the 4th of August we held a fundraising quiz. It was so nice to people from Briningham and further afield coming together to raise funds. We had a fantastic raffle which was organised by Jean and Tracey - £60 was raised prior to the Quiz even taking place! I would like to thank Ian and Alison for their constant support and Eddy for manning the bar which was very close to running dry at one point. The evening would not have been possible without our Quizmaster Julia who put on a fantastic array of questions including music, film and general knowledge.

We raised the most magnificent sum of £705.55 - for every pound we raised Barclays will match it so we have now enough funds to obtain the defibrillator, working along side the Community Heart Beat Trust. My sincere thanks to everyone who has been behind the project.

I will leave you with this - what do the Queen, Mike Tyson, Picasso, Andy Capp and Walt Disney have in common? Answers to Martin: huntstorm29@aol.com

Briningham Village Hall

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Mrs E Senington: 01263 862 920

Mrs J Rix: 01263 861 323

BRININGHAM VILLAGE HALL DRAW AUGUST 2018

1st Prize: £15	Loretta Cripps (32)
2nd Prize: £ 9	Patricia Whelan (44)
3rd Prize: £ 5	John Whelan (39)



The Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride Saturday September 8th

The Bike Ride is an annual event in September - come and join a fun day out! Bike, walk, ride or drive around the beautiful Norfolk landscape, stopping off at as many churches and chapels as you can along the way. Be sponsored for your visits or simply make a donation to the Norfolk Churches Trust or to a nominated church or chapel, and know that your money is helping to preserve these ancient and important buildings for future generations to enjoy. Be part of an event that last year raised more than £100,000, made up of donations (some large but many small) that collectively make a huge difference to help preserve Norfolk's churches. Choose your own route, visit as many churches and chapels as you wish, by bicycle, horse, car or on foot. For inspiration go to www.norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/sponsored-bike-ride:

- Enter the photographic competition
- Plan your route
- Compete for the Prince of Wales's certificate or to join the Wall of Fame
- Download children's activity sheets

I am hoping to find people to sponsor me for this annual cycle ride to raise money for the Norfolk Churches Trust. This is also an important source of funds for St Maurice's Church Briningham as we receive some of the money raised, which goes towards the upkeep of St Maurice's Church.

The Norfolk Churches Trust can award grants to help with the cost of repairs to our historic Norfolk churches. Last year over £100,000 was raised through sponsorship across the county from this annual event, so churches both in our benefice and all over Norfolk can benefit from the sponsorship money raised.

If you feel you can help with this worthwhile event by sponsoring me, that would be hugely appreciated. You can sponsor me for each church visited or sponsor me for a set amount regardless of the number visited. The latter would be preferable, in case the weather on the day is bad and restricts the number of churches I can cycle to. However small, the amount it does make a real difference to the preservation and upkeep of our valued historic Norfolk churches.

I can be contacted on 01263 862754 or by email
malcolm.bray535@btinternet.com

Thornage Village Coffee Morning

A reminder for your diaries that the next Thornage Village coffee morning will take place on

**Wednesday 19th September at 10.30 am
in All Saints' Church, Thornage**

Do come along for coffee and cake
and take part in Trish Burnham's re-scheduled Nature Quiz.
Not to be missed!

Friends of Thornage Monthly Draw

The winner of the June Draw was:

2nd Prize £10 Number 31: Ann Ludbrook (re-draw)

The winners of the July Draw were:

1st Prize £20 Number 45: Liz Ashley
2nd Prize £10 Number 29: Graham Worrell
3rd Prize £ 5 Number 19: Andrew Richardson

COME & SING: FAURÉ'S REQUIEM

Sheringham & Cromer Choral Society directed by David Ballard, with accompanist Philip Adams, invite you to join us at St Andrew's Methodist Church, Sheringham.

Saturday 13th October, 10.00 registration, 10.30 - 3.00 workshop, with a concluding performance.

This is a **FREE EVENT** presented in conjunction with COAST Arts, as we work towards our major commemoration of the WW1 armistice in concert on Saturday 10th November.

For more details and to register please contact:
Jo Hurrell 01263 711087 or sccssec@gmail.com

Friends of Thornage

Here are some dates for your diaries!

The Friends of Thornage are offering the following events which we hope will interest you:

Friday 5th October - A Village Supper will be served in All Saints Church, Thornage.
Further details to be confirmed.

Friday 2nd November - Quiz night and supper in All Saints Church, Thornage.
Further details to be confirmed.

Mobile Library dates September 2018

Briningham	Thursday	27th September at 3.20 - 3.35 pm
Brinton	Thursday	27th September at 2.55 - 3.10 pm
Hunworth	Thursday	6th September at 2.35 - 2.45 pm
Swanton Novers	Wednesday	12th September at 2.00 - 2.20 pm
Thornage	Thursday	6th September at 2.55 - 3.10 pm



Sevillana (Flamenco) dancing!

Please contact the Rector if you would like to join a beginners' or intermediate group in the autumn, indicating your preference for Morning, Afternoon or Evening sessions.

01263 502068

Hare Today Gone Tomorrow

50 city hare sculptures have been placed in Norwich with a further 18 county hare sculptures around Norfolk. They will be removed from Norwich on 8 September before all 68 run together in the city centre for four days from 7 October. Many will be auctioned on 11 October in aid of Break, a Norfolk-based charity which is celebrating 50 years of working with children. Break believes that every child and young person needs a home where they feel safe and loved, so they can grow in confidence and look to the future with hope. Break works to help young people in care, children with disabilities, children at risk and families which need support finding their way through difficult times.

In the black furrow of a field
I saw an old witch-hare this night;
And she cocked a lissome ear,
And she eyed the moon so bright,
And she nibbled o' the green;
And I whispered 'Whsst! witch-hare',
Away like a ghostie o'er the field
She fled, and left the moonlight there.

Walter de la Mare 1873-1956
Published in 1902 in 'Songs of Childhood'
under his pseudonym Walter Ramal

THE FILLING STATION - Monday 24 September, 7.00pm for 7.30pm

The guest speaker will be Christine Field who is part of the senior leadership team at Soul Church, Norwich. She is married to David and together they have five children. She is the Founder and Director of Hollinger Field Investments, a successful property company, author and international speaker with a faith and passion for Jesus that is contagious. Her prophetic preaching will inspire you to believe and rise up in all God has for you.

So do come and join us for an evening of fellowship, wonderful worship followed by the main talk. There will also be a time for prayer ministry at the end of the evening. Please feel able to arrive from 7pm for coffee, cakes and chat, for a 7.30pm start.

Swanton Novers Village Hall, St Giles Road, Swanton Novers, NR24 2RB

For further information please email Tasha North at:
nntillingstation@gmail.com or telephone 07825 702360

FIRST WORLD WAR INNOVATIONS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

A war of such scale presented many unique challenges the world had never seen before. Overcoming these challenges, the pioneers of the First World War revolutionised everything from clothing to medicine - giving us many things we still rely on today.

Zips

Zips were invented before the war by a Swedish-American man, Gideon Sundback. Their usefulness was fully proved when the US military incorporated them into their uniforms and boots. After the war, they became common on civilian clothes too.

Blood transfusions

Before the invention of blood storage, blood transfusion was supplied directly from the vein of another patient, using a portable transfusion kit. The first successful attempts to store human blood were made on the Western Front in 1917. The British Army used these advances to create the world's first blood depot, which dramatically improved survival rates for soldiers with heavy blood loss.

Stainless steel

After being called upon by the British military to find a harder alloy, metallurgist Harry Brearley developed the first 'rustless' or stainless steel in 1913. This new steel was used in the war to make gun barrels and parts for aeroplane engines, but its popularity soared when it was later used for cutlery and medical instruments.

ONE WOMAN IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR

Helen Currie had worked as a housemaid since leaving school at the age of 11. Like many other women, the First World War gave her the opportunity to do something new and gave her independence from her former life.

She went to work as an aeroplane machinist at the Alliance Aeroplane Company factory in Hammersmith, which employed large groups of women to make aircraft parts.

Women involved in the war effort showed they were the equal of men. The skills, confidence and contacts they developed increased their freedom and, in 1918, around 8.5 million women over the age of 30 were granted the vote. How society regarded them had fundamentally changed forever.

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THE '100 DAYS' THAT ENDED THE WAR

AUGUST 1918

Earlier in 1918, the French General Ferdinand Foch was appointed Allied Commander-in-Chief, greatly improving Allied co-ordination. Under his leadership, the Allies planned the Hundred Days Offensive. An ambitious campaign, this proved to be the decisive push the Allies needed to reverse the German advance and finally win the war.

It started with the Battle of Amiens on 8 August 1918. Demonstrating they had learned from previous mistakes the Allies used aerial photography to identify German artillery and compensated for a lack of manpower with guns and tanks. Complete secrecy was vital to this offensive and at 04.20 on 8 August the Allies attacked without any preliminary bombardment. That day they advanced 8 miles, with 27,000 German casualties. German Quartermaster General Ludendorff called it 'a black day'.

SEPTEMBER 1918

The Allies kept up the momentum, ending each offensive once advantage had been won and switching quickly to a new attack elsewhere. German morale and discipline broke down.

Unable to fend off the Allies' attacks, German Supreme Command ordered the German Army to begin falling back to the Hindenburg line on 7 September, with the hope that the Allies wouldn't be able to break through their heavily-fortified defences.

As the Germans retreated to the west, their Allies began to crumble. Bulgaria signed an armistice with the Allies and left the war. At the end of the month, the Allies launched the Meuse-Argonne offensive, stretching German reserves to breaking point and lowering morale even further.

OCTOBER 1918

In the face of civilian unrest, the Germans first requested an armistice in early October. The Americans presented President Wilson's fourteen points for peace, demanding the liberation of French and Belgian territories.

By mid-October, the Allies had taken control of almost all of German-occupied France and part of Belgium. With the German Army faltering, General Ludendorff was forced to resign from his post. In the face of defeat, sailors of the German Navy mutinied at the port of Kiel, refusing orders to launch a final suicide attack on the Royal British Navy.

NOVEMBER 1918

By November, the British had reached Mons, where in 1914 the first shots of war had been fired. Following the fall of Trieste, Austria-Hungary concluded an armistice with the Allies on 3 November. Four days later, Germany began negotiations for an armistice in French General Foch's railway carriage headquarters. On 9 November Kaiser Wilhelm abdicated. The next day the German government accepted the Allies' terms.

And finally, at 05.15 on 11 November, Germany signed an armistice with the Allies. This famously came into effect on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, officially ending the First World War. It was announced to the British public by Prime Minister David Lloyd George.

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YOUR MAGAZINE NEEDS YOU

*In November it will be one hundred years since the guns of the First World War fell silent. To remember the impact of such a terrible war on so many lives, **In Touch** will feature an article about the men and women of our six parishes who went to war, and in some instances never came home. **This is a request for help.** If you had family members from the Briningham Benefice who died, or who returned, and have stories to tell, photos or other memorabilia about them would you consider contributing to the magazine? If you can, please let me know by telephone or email by mid September.*



Call 01263 861195 or write to susan.smart52@btinternet.com

Many thanks,
Sue Smart

LEISURE

What is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare?
No time to stand beneath the boughs,
And stare as long as sheep and cows:
No time to see, when woods we pass,
Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass:
No time to see, in broad daylight,
Streams full of stars, like skies at night:
No time to turn Beauty's glance,
And watch her feet, how they can dance:
No time to wait till her mouth can
Enrich the smile her eyes began?
A poor life this if, full of care
We have no time to stand and stare.

William Henry Davies, 1871 - 1940

He was a Welsh poet and writer, and knew about having time to stand and stare as he spent a significant part of his life as a tramp or vagabond in the UK and USA.

WAY TO GO

George Bernard Shaw left £100,000 to be used for the creation of a new 40-letter English alphabet when he died in 1950. The Irish playwright thought the English needed help with their spelling.

Portuguese aristocrat **Luis Carlos de Noronha Cabral da Camara** left his estate, including a 12-room Lisbon apartment, to 70 strangers chosen at random from a phone book. He died childless in 2007.

Christina Foyle, of the London bookshop family, left £20,000 for the care of her dog and four tortoises.

Napoleon Bonaparte, the former Emperor of France, stipulated his head be shaved after death, with his hair willed to family and friends.

Gene Roddenberry, creator of the Star Trek series, requested that his ashes be sent into space. Some of his remains accompanied the Colombia space shuttle mission in 1992.

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12.08.2018

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The safe space at Pooh Corner

“Would you say I’m fat?” said Winnie-the-Pooh, gazing in the mirror.

“Not fat,” said Piglet, “just excessively stout. Why do you ask?”

Pooh explained that literary agents had blocked a book of AA Milne essays because the editor was rude about Pooh and his friends.

“He called me obese,” continued Pooh. “What’s that?”

“It’s a lady” said Piglet “who plays the oboe.”

Pooh thought very hard. “We got off lightly, I suppose” he said after a while. “They might have shamed Kanga as a single mother, and ridiculed Owl for his obvious illiteracy.”

“What’s obvious illiteracy?” asked Piglet.

“It means that Owl doesn’t know who his father was” said Pooh, solemnly.

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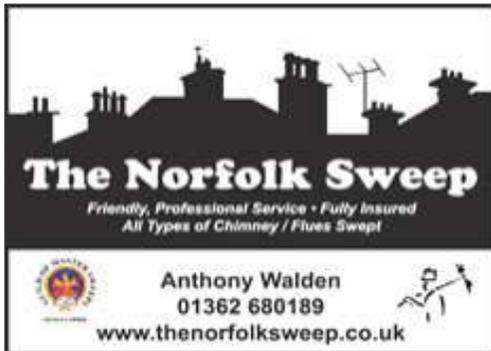
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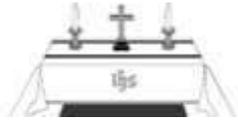
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September 2018

Sunday 2 September	9.30 am 11.00 am	Stody Thornage	Holy Communion Harvest
<i>Sunday</i> <i>2 September</i>	<i>11.30 am -</i> <i>4.00 pm</i>	<i>Thornage Hall</i>	<i>Garden Fete</i> <i>- see page 15</i>
<i>Saturday</i> <i>8 September</i>	<i>All day</i>	<i>The Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride</i> <i>or horse ride, car ride or Shanks' Pony</i>	<i>See page 7</i>
Sunday 9 September	9.30 am 9.30 am 11.00 am	Brinton Briningham Village Hall Hunworth	Holy Communion (BCP) - Said Contemporary Worship Harvest Family Service
Sunday 16 September	9.30 am 11.00 am	Swanton Novers Briningham	Holy Communion (BCP) Harvest Service
<i>Wednesday</i> <i>19 September</i>	<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>All Saints, Thornage</i>	<i>Coffee, cake and nature quiz</i> <i>- see page 8</i>
Sunday 23 September	11.00 am	Stody	Benefice Holy Communion from Iona and Harvest Service (combined)
<i>Monday</i> <i>24 September</i>	<i>7.00 pm for</i> <i>7.30 pm</i>	<i>Swanton Novers Village Hall</i>	<i>The Filling Station</i> <i>- see page 10</i>
Sunday 30 September	11.00 am	Hunworth	Benefice Holy Communion

BCP = 1662 Book of Common Prayer: other services are in modern language

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