

# **EAST MARSHLAND BENEFICE GOOD NEWS PARISH MAGAZINE**

## **MARCH 2016**



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### **ALL ENQUIRIES ON CHURCH MATTERS**

(including weddings, baptisms and funerals)

to Revd Martin Dale

01945-880259 or by e-mail to [mndale@aol.com](mailto:mndale@aol.com)

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### **Home Communion**

If you, or someone you know, cannot get to church and would like to receive communion at home, please contact either Rev. Martin Dale (01945 880259) or Rev. Barbara Pearman (01553 828808)

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### **Prayer Chain**

If anyone would like prayers said for anyone or have any concerns please contact Angie Yeoman on 01553 617518

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Please will you get all items for the **April** newsletter to me by **1<sup>st</sup> March** as I am going away on the **7th March**.

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## THE VICAR'S LETTER

When Count Nicholas von Zinzendorf - the founder of the German community "*Herrnhut*" in 1723 and one of the prime movers in the Moravian Revival of 1727 - was a young man, he had an experience in an art gallery that changed his life forever.

Zinzendorf was born into one of the richest aristocratic families of his time. He was an extremely gifted individual and had been trained for a diplomatic career in the Court at Dresden.

One day, on a trip to Paris, he stopped off at Dusseldorf. During his stay there, he visited an art gallery and caught sight of Sternberg's painting of the crucified Jesus which Sternberg had called "*Ecce Homo*." The artist had written two short lines in Latin beneath the painting: *Hoc feci pro te: Quid facid pro me?* ("This is what I did for you: what have you done for me?")

As Zinzendorf looked into the eyes of the thorn-crowned crucified Christ in the painting, he was filled with a sense of shame. He could not give a satisfactory answer to the question and his conscience was troubled by it. He stayed there for hours, riveted to the painting of Christ on the cross until the light failed. And when the time came for the gallery to be closed, he was still staring into the face of Christ, trying in vain to find an answer to the question of what he had done for Christ. He left the gallery at nightfall, but a new day was dawning for him. For from that day on, he devoted his

heart and soul, his life and his wealth—all he had—to Christ, declaring, "I have but one passion; it is Jesus, Jesus only."

In contrast to Zinzendorf, we read of another rich man encountering Christ in Mark 10:17-29 asking Jesus: "*What shall I do to inherit eternal life*" The young man had, to the best of his ability, kept the whole of the Jewish law from birth and was probably what we would all call a "thoroughly good person". But for Jesus that wasn't enough. Instead of praising him, Jesus told him to sell all that he had to come and follow him. And the young man turned away from Jesus - sorrowful because he had great wealth.

Two wealthy people encountered Christ with two different outcomes.

And that got me thinking. What counts most in our lives? For Jesus said: "*For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also*". (Mt 6:21). And I think we can say the converse too: Where your treasure is there you will find your heart too.

Jesus touched that area that the young man was not ready to give God - his wealth. Paul tells us that it is the "*love of money that is the root of all evil*." (1 Tim 6:10). For the rich young man - this was his stumbling block and we never do find out if he ever did become a disciple of Jesus.

Zinzendorf accepted what the young man in the Gospel story didn't. His encounter with Christ changed him - and he became a disciple of Christ for the rest of his life. Discipleship is more than simply "believing in God" - Jesus requires total commitment.

The Early Church did just that - often at the cost of their lives. Indeed our English word "martyr" is derived from the

Greek word *martus* - which means a witness who can testify to a fact from first-hand knowledge. In Acts 1:8, we read of the apostles being "witnesses" of all that they had observed in the public life of Christ, as well as of all they had learned from His teaching, and they testified to this "*in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and even to the uttermost part of the earth*".

And the challenge today is the same as it was in Jesus' day. Are we ready to follow Jesus - as his disciples - cost what it may? We may not be called to be evangelists in the classical sense of the word, but we can all share with our friends and neighbours what Christ means to us - and why we go to Church. And even if we find that hard, we can certainly invite our family, friends and neighbours to join us at church next Sunday.

Revd Martin Dale

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### **Terrington St John Methodist Church Services**

<b>6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	11.00 a.m.	Cafe Service in Chapel with Revd Sue Sowden and Revd Martin Dale
<b>13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	11.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer with G Beeken
<b>20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	11.00 a.m.	Revd D Sherriff Communion
<b>27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	11.00 a.m.	United Easter Holy Communion Service at TSJ Anglican Church

**Contact:** **Veronica Nelson 01945 880255**

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**Terrington St John Church**

**60'S, 70'S, IRISH AND COUNTRY MUSIC**

**WITH KEVIN BARRY**

**ON**

**FRIDAY 1st APRIL 2016**

**7-30pm to 10-00pm**

**REFRESHMENTS \* RAFFLE**

**TICKETS £7-50**

**ENQUIRIES:**

**JILL - 01945 880866    DIANE - 01945 880811**

**TIM - 01945 880406 (*evenings only*)**

***Proceeds to Terrington St John Church Fund***

# Tilney All Saints Church News

**Mothering Sunday** will be celebrated with a service of Holy Communion at 9.30am on 6<sup>th</sup> March. Everyone is very welcome.

Easter Day is the most important day of the Christian Year, the day that we remember that Jesus came back from the dead to show his disciples and his followers throughout the ages that death is not an end but a new beginning.

In Tilney All Saints Church there will be a service at **9.30am on Easter morning** and there will be small chocolate eggs for children of all ages! **Please remember that this is also the day we put the clocks forward.**

The joy of Easter is largely misunderstood unless we remember the events of Good Friday.

There will be a service of music and meditation, with poems and readings at 3pm on Good Friday. We normally gather in the choir stalls in front of the Altar for this. It's a simple but moving service and everyone is most welcome to come and share it.

## **Murder Mystery Evening**

'Who Shot the Sheriff?' will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> March 7 for 7.30pm at the Woolpack Terrington St John. Tickets: £22 per person including a three course meal. If you haven't already bought your tickets, we may just be able to squeeze you in.

Contact: Barbara 01553 828808 or Stevie 01553 829276

## **Book Exchange**

Many people use the book exchange and we have been grateful for all the generous donations of books. Unfortunately we have completely run out of space to store any more books so no more donations for a while please!

## **Church Roof**

As you know, we are struggling to raise a great deal of money towards the repair of the church roof following the theft of lead. If anyone has any fund-raising ideas or would be willing to make a regular donation via direct debit, please get in touch, we need your help.

No-one ever needs an invitation to Church, everyone is extremely welcome to join in services or visit the building whenever they choose. When you visit, we hope you will find a place of prayerful peace and serenity.

Rev'd Barbara Pearman 01553 828808  
[barbarapearman@hotmail.com](mailto:barbarapearman@hotmail.com)

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## **Tilney St Lawrence Church News**

### **Mothering Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

Mrs Stevie Brooks will be leading a Family Service at 9.30am in place of the Holy Communion service.

Revd Martin Dale will be in Tilney All Saints at 9.30am that Sunday presiding at a Holy Communion service.

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**NEW SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS**

**10.00 AM - 1.00 PM**

19TH MARCH 2016

16TH APRIL 2016

14TH MAY 2016

18TH JUNE 2016

9TH JULY 2016

20TH AUGUST 2016

24TH SEPTEMBER 2016

15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016

**STALLS \* BOOKS \* PLANTS \* BRIC-A-BRAC**

**RAFFLE**

**and much more**

**Refreshments will be served**

**IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A STALL  
ON ANY OF THESE DAYS OR HELP IN ANY WAY  
PLEASE CONTACT LINDA OR WENDY ON 01945 882114  
OR ANNE ON 01945 880222**

**If anybody has any bric-a-brac to donate,  
we would be very grateful**

**Bingo in Tilney St Lawrence Village Hall  
Thursday 7th April 2016  
Doors open 6.30 p.m. Eyes down 7.15 p.m.  
Refreshments and raffles available**

**I am raising money for equipment for my 2 nephews aged 5 and 9  
who have recently been diagnosed with Duchenne Muscular  
Dystrophy. *Paula Galley***

**Tilney St Lawrence Church**

## **Spring Fayre**

**16<sup>th</sup> April 2016**

**10.00 am - 17.00 pm**

**STALLS \* RAFFLE \* BOOKS \* TOMBOLA \* GAMES  
PLANTS \* BRIC A BRAC \* and much more.**

**Refreshments will be served each day**

**If anybody would like to have a stall or help in any way  
please contact Anne Thompson on 01945 880222**

**If anybody has any bric-a-brac, or cakes, or anything to  
donate please contact us on  
01945 880222 or 01945 882114**

**Tilney St Lawrence Church**

## **Summer Fayre**

**9<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

**10.00 am - 17.00 pm**

**STALLS \* RAFFLE \* BOOKS \* TOMBOLA \* GAMES  
PLANTS \* BRIC A BRAC \* and much more.**

**Refreshments will be served each day**

**If anybody would like to have a stall or help in any way  
please contact Anne Thompson on 01945 880222**

**If anybody has any bric-a-brac, cakes or anything to  
donate please contact us on  
01945 880222 or 01945 882114**

## Wiggenhall St German's Church News

The Card Making Workshop held in February was a great success and, following lunch, everyone seemed to enjoy using their creative skills to make their own individual cards. We would like to thank Maureen for offering to lead the event and to everyone who supported it. A total of £115 was raised towards the toilet project.

A big thank you to Eileen and everyone who helped at the recent Pancake and Coffee Morning, and for all who came and enjoyed the pancakes. The morning raised £63 towards church funds.

### Services in March

There have been some changes in our usual pattern of services during March, and the full details will be shown on the posters on the notice boards.

On **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March** there will be a united Mothering Sunday Service at the church at 9.30 a.m. with posies for all mothers.

We will not be holding our breakfast service at the church on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March**, instead we shall be joining with our friends at the Methodist Chapel for a united service at 9.30 a.m. There will be a Walk of Witness on this day when we shall walk from the Memorial Hall at 9 a.m. to the chapel in time for the service at 9.30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join the walk and/or the service.

**25<sup>th</sup> March - Good Friday at 11 a.m.**

There will be a service in the church when we shall be reflecting on the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and the sacrifice He made for each one of us.

**27<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Sunday at 9.30 a.m.**

There will be a service of Holy Communion to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and His triumph over death! If you would like to come to this special service to mark this most important event but do not wish to come alone, then please contact Angie Yeoman on 01553 617518 and we will arrange for someone to meet you. Our service this year will be led by Revd. Paul Allton.

There will be a service of Compline at 5 p.m. in the church on the first three Sundays in March to which everyone is most welcome. Please see the notice board regarding the location of the evening service on Easter Sunday.

**Easter Lilies**



We will once again be having an arrangement of Easter Lilies at the altar on Easter Sunday.

If anyone would like to donate a lily in memory of a loved one please contact:

Addy Alexander on 01553 617513 for further details.

## **Prayer and Praise Evening**

Due to the Easter Bank Holiday there will be no Prayer & Praise Evening in March.

Our next one is on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April**  
at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Church

Everyone is welcome to this evening  
of **informal prayer and praise**

## **Y" Club**

For ages 5 - 11 years

**Games, Crafts & Activities with a Christian theme**

**Wednesday 5.45 p.m. - 7 p.m. during School Term Time in  
the Methodist Chapel School Room**

50p per session

For further information call Lorna on 01553 617256

## **Youth Club**

For all young people 11 years and over

Want something to do or somewhere to meet with friends?

**Then come along to the Youth Club**

**Next Club Night is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

**7.00 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.**

**At Wiggenhall St. Germans Methodist Chapel**

Run by members of the local churches.

**Come and have fun**

Table Tennis - Badminton - Pool - Activities - Cooking

**£1 per night**

For more information call Angie Yeoman on KL 617518 or  
Margaret Cook on KL 617617.

## Wiggenhall St Germans Methodist Church News

6 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	United Mothering Sunday Communion Service at Parish Church
13 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Morning Service - Stephen Harrington
20 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	United Palm Sunday Service in the Chapel - Jean Harrington
27 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Easter Morning Breakfast and Communion Service Revd Andrew Maguire
<b>Contact:</b>	<b>Pearl Place</b>	<b>07804 650174</b>

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## Wiggenhall St Mary The Virgin Church

The church is open at weekends between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.  
The key may be obtained at other times from the house at the  
bottom of the drive.

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## Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalene Church News

**Family Service 11.00am - Every first and third Sunday.**

Come and have fun whilst praising God and His Son Jesus and  
learning more about him.

**Fellowship afterwards over coffee and cakes**

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**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2016 (Easter Saturday)**

**Book Sale and Cream Teas 2 - 4pm**

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### **Easter Cracked**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 10am - 3pm**

Are you 6-11 years old - why not try it?

Contact Chris Hale (KL 810385) or Alan Sherfield (KL 810796) for  
details, information and an application form.

**To avoid disappointment please register before 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016  
Numbers are limited**

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# EAST MARSHLAND BENEFICE

## Sunday services in March 2016

<b>Sundays in March 2016</b>	<b>Terrington St John</b>	<b>Tilney St Lawrence</b>	<b>Tilney All Saints</b>	<b>Wiggenhall St Germans</b>	<b>Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalene</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2016 Mothering Sunday	11.00am  Cafe Family Service in TSJ Chapel MND	9.30am Family Service  SB	9.30am Holy Communion  MND	9.30 am  Holy Communion  BP	11.00am  Family Service  SB
13 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2016 Lent 5	10.00 am BENEFICE Holy Communion  MND/BP	See Benefice service in Terrington St John	See Benefice service in Terrington St John	See Benefice service in Terrington St John	See Benefice service in TSJ  11.00 Morning Prayer PG
20 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2016 Palm Sunday	8.00am  Holy Communion MND	9.30am  Morning Prayer SB	9.30am  Holy Communion BP	9.30am  Breakfast Family Service at WSG Methodists	11.00am  Family Service  SB
27 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2016 EASTER DAY	11.00am  Cafe style HOLY COMMUNION service in TSJ ANGLICAN CHURCH (not Chapel) MND	9.30am  Holy Communion  MND	9.30am  Holy Communion BP	9.30am  Holy Communion  Canon Paul Allton	11.00am  Family Holy Communion  BP

## Services in Holy Week 21-26<sup>th</sup> March 2016

<b>Holy Week 21-26<sup>th</sup> March 2016</b>	<b>Terrington St John</b>	<b>Tilney St Lawrence</b>	<b>Tilney All Saints</b>	<b>Wiggenhall St Germans</b>	<b>Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalene</b>
Wednesday of Holy Week  23rd March 2016			9.30am Holy Communion  BP		
Maundy Thursday  24th March 2016	7.30pm BENEFICE "Last Supper" meal  MND				4pm Holy Communion  BP
Good Friday 25th March 2015		12 noon Meditation /Taize SB	3pm Meditation BP	11.00 Meditation MND	6.30pm Reading and Hymns PG