

## Vicars Blog

I am sure that you, like me have been following the dreadful pictures on our news screens this week of the after effects of earthquake and Tsunami in Japan..... and as if there that weren't enough to cope with, the subsequent race to avert a nuclear catastrophe at Fukushima Daiicha. It must be a living nightmare. We have, of course, been praying for those whose lives have been devastated, and we also need to think about how we can respond in practical ways. It will take years and possibly generations to restore whole communities and no doubt they will need the helping hand of the global community for a long time to come. We are reminded again, I guess, that there are things we cannot control. Nature is one of them. We can channel the power of nature in some way but when it reacts like this, there is no stopping it. Anyone who saw the force of water sweeping everything before it would realise that nothing could stop that power from doing its worst.

Being in control is something that I think as human beings we enjoy. It is good to feel 'in control' and yet there is so much we cannot control. Over the course of the next few weeks Easter will be upon us again and we will remember the death and resurrection of Jesus. This is, for me as a Christian minister, the pinnacle of the year. It reminds me that me that Jesus is someone that people tried to control but couldn't. He was subject to the authorities and rulers of the time and they did their best to stop Him in their tracks, they thought they had controlled Him by putting Him to death on a cross and yet, three days later the Bible tells us that He appeared again, resurrected from the dead, and subsequently appeared to over two hundred people. Controlling God, is not in the privilege of humanity and neither is the control of nature.

Many Blessings  
Penny

### **To arrange Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please contact:-**

Rev. Penny Green (Priest In Charge)	The Vicarage, Church Lane, Cherry Willingham	01522 595596
Churchwardens:	Mrs F.Styles Elveden, Lincoln Rd. Fiskerton Mrs L. Forman Applegarth, Ferry Road Fiskerton	01522 750690 01526 398316
Church Key also available from:	Mrs M Gibson, 14 Ferryside Gardens	01522 752117
Benefice Website:	<a href="http://www.lincoln.ourchurchweb.org.uk/southlawres">www.lincoln.ourchurchweb.org.uk/southlawres</a>	

## Mothing Sunday:

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April is Mothering Sunday.



*This year Fiskerton Church will be holding a special Family Service when everyone can come along and say 'Thank you' to their Mums, grannies and everyone in their family who is important to them.*

*This will be a short service and there will be some activities on offer for everyone to join in with.*

*It will start at 9.15am in St. Clement's Church, so you can come along and have a great start to the day and then continue with your family celebrations later.*

*WE look forward to welcoming you.*

## Christmas Tree Festival

**Many thanks for the anonymous donation of £20 towards the costs involved in the forthcoming Christmas Tree Spectacular. We are most grateful.**

**CHURCH SERVICES for The South Lawres Benefice:****APRIL:**

<b>3<sup>rd</sup>.</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup>. Sunday of Lent: Mothering Sunday</b>		
	8am	Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham	
	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Family Worship at Fiskerton</b>	
	9.15am	Family Worship at Reepham	
	11am	Holy Communion at Greetwell	
<b>10<sup>th</sup>.</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup>. Sunday of Lent (Passiontide)</b>		
	8am	Morning Worship at Cherry Willingham	
	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Morning Worship at Fiskerton</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion at Reepham	
	10.45am	Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham	
<b>17<sup>th</sup>.</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>		
	8am	Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham	
	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Holy Communion at Fiskerton</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion at Reepham	
	10.45am	Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham	
	6.30pm	Compline at Cherry Willingham	
<b>18<sup>th</sup>.</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Meditation at Fiskerton</b>
<b>19<sup>th</sup>.</b>	<b>7pm</b>	Tuesday	Meditation at Greetwell
<b>20<sup>th</sup>.</b>	<b>7pm</b>	Wednesday	Meditation at Reepham
<b>21<sup>st</sup>.</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>		
	7pm	Agape Meal Cherry Willingham Church Hall	
	9.15pm	Meditation/ Stripping Altar at Cherry Willingham	
<b>22<sup>nd</sup>.</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>		
	9.30am	Procession from Reepham Methodist Chapel to Reepham Church	
	9.50am	Service at Reepham Church	
	9.30am	Ecumenical Procession to Cherry Church	
	9.50am	Meditation & Service at Cherry Willingham Church	
	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Meditation at Fiskerton</b>	
<b>24<sup>th</sup>.</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>		
	5.30am	Dawn Service with Communion at Greetwell	
	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Holy Communion at Fiskerton</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion at Reepham	
	10.45am	Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham	

**St. Clement's Church Rotas:**

<b>April</b>	<b>Sidesman</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Intercessions</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup>.</b>	Mrs S Massey			Mrs Lunn & Mrs Townsend
<b>10<sup>th</sup>.</b>	Mrs G Walkinton	Mrs L Forman <b>Ezekiel 37: 1 - 14</b>	Mr R Walkinton <b>Shortferry</b>	
<b>17<sup>th</sup>.</b>	Mr R Walkinton	Mrs S Massey <b>Isaiah 50: 4 – 9a</b>	CLERGY <b>Work of the Shop</b>	Mrs Gibson & Mrs Forman
<b>24<sup>th</sup>.</b>	Mrs F Styles	Mr R Walkinton <b>Colossians 3: 1 - 4</b>	Mrs A Townsend <b>Priory Drive</b>	

**THANKS:** for a donation to the Newsletter of £3 from Ann- Marie, to Fiskerton Gardening Club for their donation of £10 and for an anonymous donation £10

Other Church News:

Lottery Draw: The March winners were as follows:-

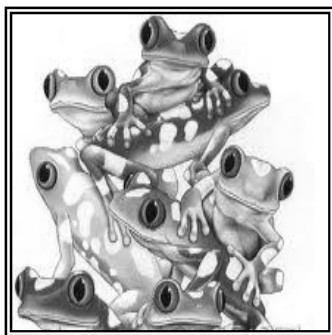
- £25: Number 43: Mr K Townsend
- £10: Number 52: Mrs S A Holberry
- £5: Number 26: Revd. S Bradley
- £5: Number 6: Mr J Forman

## FISKERTON FROG FEST!

May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. 2011

11am – 4.30pm both days

As part of West Lindsey Open Churches Festival Weekend,



We have a quantity of ceramic frogs approximately 5" by 3" and we would like to invite YOU to use your ingenuity and decorate a frog. We will then display them in Church over the weekend of the West Lindsey Open Churches Festival. We know they will both amuse and delight our visitors and at the end of the weekend the frogs can be reclaimed by the artists.

There is no cost to enter (we might just award a small prize for the best ), so please get thinking about how to produce a really original frog and if you haven't got your frog yet, then please contact Paul Forman Tel: 01526 398316

Light lunches and afternoon teas will be available both days, as well as homemade cakes, preserves and plants to purchase.

Hop along and have a look – it should be 'riveting' good fun!

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### **Big Brew Tea Party**

**A BIG thank you to everyone who came and supported this event on March 15<sup>th</sup>. in Cherry Willingham Church Hall.**

**£175 was raised to send to the Fairtrade Foundation to support one of their projects in the developing world. A further £75 was raised on The Traidcraft Stall – again the profit from here will go to Fairtrade Projects.**

**An excellent afternoon and an excellent total!**

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### **A 'Thank You' To Those Who Attended The New Year's Eve Party In The Village Hall.**

Kerry Gibson & Becky Wakelin would like you all to know that they have received letters of thanks from the 2 charities supported by this event. The Cherry Willingham LIVES Group and Lincolnshire & Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance both received £159.40. Both these groups make clear how much they rely on local donations such as this and how vital they are to their ongoing work.

They hope you all had a really good time raising the money!

## **What's On in April: In The Village.....**

### **GARDENING CLUB:**

The next meeting of Fiskerton Gardening Club will be on Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>. at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Neil Timm will talk about the "World of Ferns". All welcome.

### **THE LUNCH POT**

Join us for a two course lunch. It will only cost you £3 00 each.

New people welcome.

April dates are Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>. & Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>. At 12.30pm.

For more details ring 595291.



### **Women's Institute:**

The next meeting will take place on **Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup>**. at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The talk, "Eat well for Less" will be given by Barbara Allen. The competition is an economical recipe. Tea Hostesses are Mrs Woodthorpe & Mrs Styles, vote of thanks Mrs Forman and raffle prizes, Mrs Gibson & Mrs Toyne.

**Our WI is bright and lively and is always open to new members, so please come along to any meeting, you will be warmly greeted and made very welcome.**

### **ANN - MARIE'S PILATES CLASS:**

**Fiskerton Village Hall**

**Thursdays starting at 10.30am**

Pilates is a body conditioning exercise class that attacks abs. Tones hips, shapes thighs and re-aligns posture. It is the best body conditioning class out there!

AND

### **ANN - MARIE'S LIGHT AEROBICS CLASS**

**Every Thursday Morning at 9.30am**

**Fiskerton Village Hall**

Any questions, please call Ann-Marie on 07922125145

New Members always welcome

### **Lincolnshire County Council: Library Services**

The Mobile Library is to continue to visit Fiskerton Village Hall in the Summer and Autumn 2011. Please note the changes in the times and days of these visits - as follows:-

Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup>. 11.15am - 12.15pm      Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup>. 11.15am - 12.15pm

The Mobile Library vehicle has a lift/ramp for easy disabled access and remember it is FREE to join and borrow books.

Whilst the mobile Library Service is secure for 2011, we should not be complacent. We must continue to use the service as much as possible if we are to continue to have it in the future.

We are warned that there are cuts ahead for the library service and reviews will continue over the next 2 to 3 years.

**VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS for April**

Monday	4 <sup>th</sup> . 11 <sup>th</sup> . 18 <sup>th</sup> . 25 <sup>th</sup> .	Bingo	2pm – 3pm
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup> .	Gardening Club	7pm – 9.30pm
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup> . 26 <sup>th</sup> .	Luncheon Club	10am – 2pm
Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup> .	Kid’s Club	3.45pm – 5.15pm
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup> . 14 <sup>th</sup> . 21 <sup>st</sup> . 28 <sup>th</sup> .	Aerobics	9.30am – 10.30am
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup> . 14 <sup>th</sup> . 21 <sup>st</sup> . 28 <sup>th</sup> .	Pilates	10.30am – 11.30am
Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup> .	W.I.	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup> .	Lindum Group WI	6pm – 10pm
Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> . 8 <sup>th</sup> . 15 <sup>th</sup> . 22 <sup>nd</sup> . 29 <sup>th</sup> .	Bingo/ Social	7.30pm – late ALL WELCOME
Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup> .	Private Party	10am – midnight
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> .	Vision Church	9.30 – 11.30
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> . 10 <sup>th</sup> . 17 <sup>th</sup> . 24 <sup>th</sup> .	Social Evenings	7.30pm – midnight
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup> .	Causeway Projects	2pm – 5pm
Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> . 24 <sup>th</sup> ..	The Vine	10am – 1.15pm

To make a booking or check availability please contact:- Booking Secretary – Jenny Hayes on 07510281232



**• FISKERTON POST OFFICE: AT THE VILLAGE HALL**  
**OPENING HOURS**

Monday: 9am – 2pm                      Tuesday & Thursday: 9.30am – 1.30pm

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**11:00 SUNDAY SERVICES in April**

*coffee served from 10:45.*

3 April	<b>Family Service</b>	Cherry Willingham & Reepham Village Hall
10 April	<b>Family Special</b> with Pastries	Fiskerton Village Hall
13 April	<b>Family Special</b> with Bacon Butties	Cherry Willingham & Reepham Village Hall
24 April	<b>Service</b> with amazing KidZone for under 11'	Fiskerton Village Hall
1 May	<b>Service</b> with amazing KidZone for under 11'	Cherry Willingham & Reepham Village Hall

**Connect groups Tuesdays at 11am & 8pm in Fiskerton, Wednesdays 8pm in Cherry Willingham**

*Connect groups provide a social setting for you to connect with church life, develop your faith and provide opportunities for helping the community*

God’s Girls for 6-11yrs    Friday 4-5pm April 1 in Fiskerton

**Youth Programme 12-17’s**

THE MIX    Friday 1 April FUEL                      Friday 8 April Snorkelling

For more details visit [www.thevinecommunitychurch.org.uk](http://www.thevinecommunitychurch.org.uk) or Tel 872011

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**Editor’s Notes**

Taxi tokens issued by the Local Authority will cease to be issued after the 31<sup>st</sup> March and will only be redeemable up to the end of April 2011. For those who have been saving them for use on a longer trip planned later in the year, one of our advertisers (LYNN CABS), is prepared to accept them for advance bookings as credit for these later trips. If the tokens are not exchanged before the end of April they will become un-redeemable.

## What's On in April: In The Area.....



**LADIES' BREAKFAST**  
**Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup>. April 2011**  
**Rosie Lea Café, Cherry Willingham**  
8.45 for 9.00am, £5 for a full English



**telephone - Jan 01522 753432 or Ann 01522 800209 by Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup>. to book a place to share with this group of very friendly ladies.**

### COFFEE MORNING:



The Charity and Fairtrade Coffee Morning will take place in Cherry Willingham Church Hall on **Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup>**. from 10am – 11.30am.

All proceeds from the refreshments and raffle go to a chosen charity.

The Traidcraft Stall will be available for groceries, chocolate & cards.

### Reepham Methodist Church Coffee Morning:

The next Coffee Morning at Reepham Methodist Chapel will be held on **Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>**. from 10am – 11.30am and is raising money for **The God Pod**.

Please come along, meet old friends or make new ones and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a slice of cake. There will also be a Traidcraft Stall for cards, groceries and gifts.

### Men2gether

### The Local Men's Breakfast

**When** – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April

**Where** – Rosie Lea Café, The Parade, Cherry Willingham

**Time** – 8.45am for 9.00 start. Finish by 10.00

**Cost** - £5, payable when you arrive.

Come along and enjoy a full English breakfast, meet old friends, make new friends and listen to a short talk from a Christian speaker.

Our speaker for April is Dr. Ian Lacy .

All men are most welcome.

To book a place, or places, please email David Burrows, [david@theburrows.net](mailto:david@theburrows.net) (phone 824936) or John Pycock [john.pycock@btopenworld](mailto:john.pycock@btopenworld) by Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April.

Numbers are limited so please book early to ensure a place.

### REEPHAM AND DISTRICT TENNIS CLUB



The first day of April sees the start of a new season for the Tennis Club. Following a successful AGM it was decided to keep annual subscriptions at the same level as last year ie £40 for adults, £15 for juniors, £25 for concessions and £85 for families for 12 months until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011. This represents astonishingly good value. The courts are floodlit in the winter and are available to members at any time via a coded entry.

2010 was a good year for the Club, and we are determined to build on that. The popular junior sessions will be run again this year, with details to be announced at a later date.

Any parent or interested party with ideas about junior tennis should contact us at the Club so that we can improve the session.

As well as meeting up with our existing members, we would like to take this opportunity to invite anyone who is interested to come along and have a game without any obligation to join immediately. We meet for social play every Tuesday or Thursday evening from 7pm. and on first Sunday of each month at 2pm where you are ensured a warm welcome and guidance/equipment if needed.

We are located behind the Village Hall on Hawthorn Road, Reepham. For more information, contact Val 750303, Stuart 808313 or Kerry 750060.

## **Cherry Willingham Library      Culture & Adult Education**

A cheery note from all at Cherry Willingham library thanking you for your continued support of an important community resource. Just a reminder that not only are we the place for a huge reserve of books for free but we also have dvds and audio books available. Remember that if we don't have the item you want on our shelves we can reserve it for you for as little as 25p. If you have seen a newly published book advertised then bring the details in to us and particularly in the case of hard backs it will cost you pennies instead of pounds. We offer photocopying facilities and have a small range of second hand books for sale. You can use us to browse the Lincolnshire Echo, purchase greeting cards for 99p or surf the net on our computers. Some people just come for a chat! For those of you needing a little extra help on your computer skills, Sue our computer buddy can be booked between 5.30 and 6.30pm on a Monday evening to give you some individual guidance. Also don't forget the new e-book download service available at [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/libraries)

Customer service number 01522 782010

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### **Don't ignore it, report it!**

The Environment Agency responded to 20,000 reports of environmental incidents across England and Wales last year. Incidents we deal with are often reported to us by members of the public. The sooner we can act, the better the chance of reducing the impact on people and the environment. So, if you notice any of the following please contact us:

- Land or water pollution.
- Illegal fishing, fish in distress or dead fish.
- Blocked rivers or streams. This could increase the risk of flooding.
- Large-scale illegal dumping of waste. Small volumes of fly-tipped waste should be reported to your local council.
- Incidents at waste sites such as landfills, scrap yards, waste transfer stations etc.
- Illegal abstracting of water from watercourses.
- Collapsed or badly damaged river or canal banks.

Our freephone incident hotline is available 24 hours a day, so please call us on **0800 80 70 60\*** if you notice an environmental incident.

If you would like advice on general issues, please telephone our **general enquiries line on 08708 506 506\*\*** (Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm), or visit our website [www.environment-agency.gov.uk](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk)

\*Freephone calls from mobile phones are not free and will be charged at normal network operator's call rates.

\*\*Weekday Daytime calls cost 8p plus up to 6ppm from BT Weekend Unlimited. Mobile and other providers' charges may vary.

### **\*\*\*\*\* Special Families Club: (founded in 1989)**

#### **A Social Support Group for the less able-bodied and carers**

The Group meets in the Church Hall, Cherry Willingham on alternate Tuesday evenings between 7.30pm and 9.30pm.

The group organizes Social evenings, Evenings out and – if funds permit - Trips out in the Summer.

New Members are always most welcome. If you would like more information, please contact either Margaret (01522 751628) or Cindy ( 01522 804828)

Supported by 'Carers Connect'

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**Important Newsletter Information:**

Please note that items for inclusion in the Parish News can be handed in at Wishing Well Stores. Items can also be posted to Mrs L.Forman, 'Applegarth', Ferry Rd. Fiskerton, Lincoln LN3 4HU or please telephone 01526 398316. Items **MUST** be with the Editor by 19<sup>th</sup>. Of the month. You can e-mail items to [fiskertonnews@btinternet.com](mailto:fiskertonnews@btinternet.com)