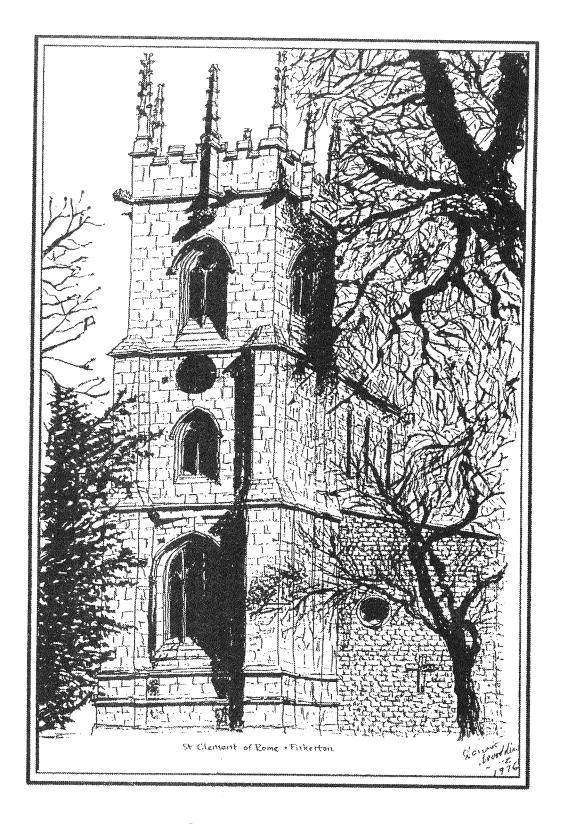
Fiskerton Parish News



February 2016

Vicar's Blog:

For those villages for which this is the first Newsletter of the Year, may I wish you every blessing for the new year. For those who have a January newsletter – I hope your new year has begun well.

As I write this, on 5th January, I have just begun some time out, which will almost have ended by the time you read this. This for me is time to reflect, pray and time to perhaps shed some of the things that I have picked up in the 5 years of my ministry in this area. We all carry things that we are not meant to carry. I am reminded of Jesus friend Lazarus. John's gospel tells us that he went to the grave of his friend and cried to him 'Lazarus, come out!, at which point Lazarus came out of the tomb, complete with the burial cloths he had been bound with.... Jesus said to him 'Take off the grave clothes and let him go'. Whether or not you believe that Jesus had the power to raise the dead, there is great truth in that account. The real Lazarus was buried under grave clothes, bound up and so often in life, the person that we are meant to be gets lost inside the layers of other people's expectations on us. That's often not intentional – some of us try to gain love by trying to live upto the expectations of others; some of us try to model what we do and how we are on other people we admire and eventually we are bound by those things because frankly we can't be anyone else but ourselves – the person that God created us to be. Some of us are bound by unforgiveness – we can't free ourselves from things that have been said to us or done to us – at some point, if we are not to be damaged by that, we have to let go.

I was given a Russian doll for a Christmas present – one of those dolls that sit inside each other, and in this case, make seven layers. I love it, and it reminds me of something very important – that we are a series of layers – there is the layer on the outside that we allow most people to see, it is our public layer; then there is the next layer that our friends and family see – it goes a bit deeper; then there is the layer that the people who really love us see – those with whom we share ourselves; then comes the layer that only we know about – our deep longings, our true selves, a part that we allow no-one into; then the next layer the one that only God knows about, our relationship with Him, the longings of our soul. It's that layer that influences the rest – if we are called into a relationship with God, then our deepest self is the place where, when we allow God in is the place of greatest influence. I think we can be scared of that and it feels very risky and even painful, but we must know that God loves us immeasurably and wants the best for us, and it's with that trust that we approach Him and His calling on our lives.

I trust that this new year will bring you every blessing.

Penny

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(Fiskerton)

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Mrs A Townsend

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Benefice Website:

www.southlawresbenefice.org.uk

SERVICES for the Lawres Group

FEBRUARY 2016

7th. Sunday Next Before Lent

8am

Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham

9.15am

Morning Praise at Fiskerton

10.45am

Holy Communion at Greetwell

4pm

Messy Church at Reepham

10th. Ash Wednesday

9.30am

Holy Communion at Chery Willingham

7.30pm

Holy Communion with Ashing at Cherry Willingham

14th. First Sunday of lent

9.15am

Holy Communion at Fiskerton

9.15am

Holy Communion at Reepham

10.45am

Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham

21st. 2nd. Sunday of Lent

9.15am

Holy Communion at Fiskerton

10.45am

Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham

4pm

Family Worship at Reepham

6.30pm

Compline at Cherry Willingham

28th. 3rd. Sunday of lent

8am

Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham

9.15am

Holy Communion at Reepham

10.45am

Lent Praise at Cherry Willingham

4pm

Messy Church at Fiskerton

Holy Communion will be held at Cherry Willingham Church at 9.30am on:-Wednesday **February 3rd. 10th. 17th. 24th.**

Service Rota

February	Sidesman	Reader	Intercessions	Cleaning
7 th .	Jean Lunn	Gill Walkinton	Lynda Forman	Lynda Forman &
		2Corinth 3:12-4.2	Ferry Rd.	Mary Gibson
14 th .	Carol Proctor	Lynda Forman	CLERGY	
		Deuteronomy 26: 1-11	Post Office	
21 st .	Gill Walkinton	Sandy Massey	CLERGY	Maureen Broad
		Genesis 15:1-12 & 17 - 18	Orchard Rd.	
28 th .		Messy	Church	
March 6 th .	Sandy Massey	Paul Forman	Lynda Forman	Annette Townsend &
		Joshua 5: 9 - 12	The Crescent	Jean Lunn

●● <u>MESSY CHURCH</u>: Sunday February 28th 4pm at St. Clement's Church, Fiskerton. All parents and children very welcome.

Other Church News:

A VERY BIG thank you to all who helped in any way with the Christmas Tree Festival and to those who visited. Yet again the tree decorators came up with some wonderful ideas and there were many compliments about the trees and decorations coming together to make a splendid display and atmosphere inside the building.

It was also lovely to be able to have the Church floodlit over Christmas and New Year, and thanks go to John Fletcher for doing this, along with other electrical works.

The income from the Festival amounted to just over £2,500. After expenses the profit was just over £1,900. We sent £200 (10%+) to Age UK and so St. Clement's gained approximately £1,700 for building funds.

It often feels that we are constantly raising money for Church funds, but looking after a Grade 1 listed building, parts of which date back to Norman times, is guite an undertaking. Within the next year we need to do extensive repairs and possibly some re-building to the exterior retaining wall which runs alongside the footpath. We have to repaint all the guttering and rainwater downpipes on the exterior of the Church and we have to have repointing work done to stonework in areas on each exterior wall of the building. All of this has to be achieved with the proper permissions and under strict guidelines for buildings of this age, so as you can imagine it is expensive work. The amount raised at Christmas was wonderful and we are extremely delighted and grateful.



Christmas Eve Carol Service:

Thank you to all who came along to this service. It was lovely to welcome so many people to Church for this very special start to Christmas.

The collection amounted to £160 and was sent to Nomad Trust. Thank you all.



'Friends of St. Clement's Lottery: January Winners.

£25: No. 50: Mrs J Whittle £5: No. 64: Mrs M Newton £10: No. 60: Rae Rousseau £5 No. 22: M. Dunkling

If you would like to join the "Friends of Saint Clement's Lottery". IT IS NOT TOO LATE! The cost is £2 per month. For this you have a chance of winning £25, £10, £5 or £5.

That is a total of £540 in prizes over the year.

Please contact P E Forman, Applegarth, Ferry Road, Fiskerton Lincoln LN3 4HU or Tel: 01526 398316 or email: pauleforman@btinternet.com. for further information.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION: If you wish to place items in Fiskerton Newsletter, they MUST be with the editor BEFORE 19th, of the month.

Items can be handed in at Wishing Well Stores, or they can be posted to Mrs L.Forman, 'Applegarth', Ferry Rd. Fiskerton, Lincoln LN3 4HU TEL: 01526 398316. You can also e-mail items to fiskertonnews@btinternet.com7

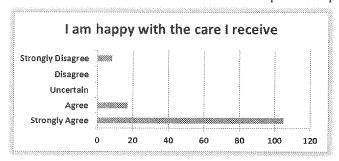
NETTLEHAM MEDICAL PRACTICE:

REPEAT PRESCRIPTIONS

The dispensary are starting to experience a high volume of patients who are coming to collect their repeat prescriptions too early. The practice asks patients to allow 2 working days (not 48 hours) before collecting their prescription. This time is needed to allow for the prescription to be generated, the GP to sign and authorise the prescription, the dispenser to make the prescription and for it to be checked. Thank you for your co-operation in

INR CLINIC PATIENT SURVEY

Thank you to all INR clinic patients who have recently completed satisfaction survey for us. The results were overwhelmingly positive. Full results can be found on our website or on the posters displayed in the waiting room.



HELP WITH STOPPING SMOKING

As it is the time of year when resolutions are made, the practice would like to remind patients that we hold weekly smoking cessation clinics to which you can self -refer. If you are wishing to stop smoking and would like some help, please contact the practice and book an appointment with either Cathy or Vicky who will be happy to work with you in becoming a non-smoker.

MONTHLY EARLY CLOSURES FOR TRAINING 2015

In order to enable our doctors and staff to be kept up to date Nettleham surgery will be closed for training at 1pm on the following afternoons. Emergency help is still available by calling 111. Tuesday 16TH February 2016 Tuesday 15th March 2016

CONTACT DETAILS

Telephone - 01522 751717 (When the surgery is closed please ring Freephone 111)

WEBSITE - www.nettlehammedical.co.uk

PRACTICE MANAGER - HELEN LUNN

Cherry Willingham library has reopened, operated by volunteers from The Vine Community Church Opening hours are:-Thursdays 9.30am to 12.30pm & 3.30pm to 5.30pm Saturdays 10.00am to 12.00noon

WANTED!

Do you have a small amount of free time available? If so, would you consider joining our group of volunteers who welcome visitors to St. Clement's Church on a Tuesday morning. You would be required about 2 or 3 times a year and it makes such a difference to visitors to be welcomed and offered a hot drink. If you can help, please contact Annette Townsend, Tel 595109 Thank you.



NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP)

The Neighbourhood Plan Group (NPG) is progressing and is preparing for an important Consultation Event in the Village Hall where our current Draft Plan can be viewed and discussed. We have decided to delay this consultation until more of the required professionally and independently produced reports are completed. We have commissioned work on a Village Character Assessment and a Housing Needs Survey. This survey will be completed by Community Lincs and every house will receive a questionnaire. It would be excellent to get a high percentage of returns to add weight to the conclusions and show that the residents of Fiskerton care about their village. This survey should take place in February and the more support received the stronger the plan will be.

There are a number of opportunities for residents to get engaged with this plan's development, we are having a series of open meetings in the Village Hall. The proposed dates are: Feb 9th, March 17th, April 7th, May 19th and June 16th and they will take place from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. All are welcome so please come and make your points.

Remember that the Parish Survey 2012 reported that 85% of residents said that the most important point to them was keeping the Manor Farm Paddock and the Crescent as open Green Spaces. In November 2014 the Church Commissioners (CCs), the owners of the Paddock, presented detailed plans to build on it. The Draft Neighbourhood Plan, which was received by WLDC in December 2014, and the outcry reaction that the Church Commissioners received from the residents, caused the withdrawal of the planned development of the Paddock "for the moment".

Most of you will know that the current Draft NP involves the development of approximately 200 houses to the North of Ferry Road and many of you may be thinking why this number? The answer is that we took advice early in the planning and to remain a viable village, to support the shop, the school, bus services, the pub and other facilities, it was shown that growth was needed. As the CCs own the field to the North of Ferry Road and the Paddock, the NPG/Parish Council is in negotiations with the CCs and WLDC to acquire the Paddock as Green Space with public access as part of the community gain associated with building the 200 new houses. The CCs know that the NPG want to acquire the Paddock for the community, a buffer strip between the existing houses on Ferry Road and the new development and some sports facilities as planning gain for the community. Our next meeting with them is on Feb 4th and these points will be discussed.

The Neighbourhood Plan Group is made up of residents of Fiskerton and they are trying to develop a plan that will benefit the Village and our community for many years. There may be gains for the Village and we believe that if we have an accepted Neighbourhood Plan we can better control and influence the development of our Village, we can protect the existing character of the Village, improve the amenity and bring many other benefits which will enhance our community and make it an even more vibrant and desirable place to live. If you believe so too, then come to the meetings, have your say and get involved. Without an adopted Neighbourhood Plan we believe our community will have little say in the location, style or amount of future development. The CC's would probably build on the Paddock and then continue onto the land behind Ferry Road and it is doubtful that the Village would have much input or benefit. The 2011 Localism Act gave local people some planning powers. Let's take this opportunity to use that power sensibly for the benefit of our Village for many years to come.

Robert Wall Chairman or the Neighbourhood Plan Group

What's On in FEBRUARY:

In The Village.....

THE LUNCH POT

Do come and join us for lunch in the Village Hall. It will only cost you £3. 00 pp The dates are **Tuesday 2nd. 16th.** To Book a place, please call Mary on 595291



FISKERTON GARDENING CLUB

It won't be long before the nights start to draw out and thoughts turn to our gardens. We would be very pleased to see you at our meetings on the second Monday of the month at $7.30 \, \text{pm}$ at the village hall - membership is £10 a year.

The club has organised a programme of interesting speakers for the year ahead, like the Woodland Trust and on more unusual topics such as vegetable growing on straw bales. Back by popular demand will be Paul Hill in November with his wonderful selection of slides and music. There will be a visit to a local garden in June and an all day visit to Yorkshire in July.

Our first meeting of 2016 is on **Monday February 8th, at 7.30**, when the speaker is Mavis Wilkinson and the topic is Monastic gardens after a short AGM. We hope to see you there.



The next meeting of Fiskerton WI is on **Thursday February 11th**. at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The speaker will be Hannah Sylvester and the subject is 'Herbs for Health'.

We are a friendly group and would love to welcome new members, so please come along and see for youself.

Village	Hall	Bookings	for	FERR	HARV.

Monday	1 st , 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd , 29 th .	Fiskertots	10am – 11.30am
Monday	1 st. 8 th . 15 th . 22 nd . 29 th .		
•		Karate Classes	3.30pm – 4.30pm
Monday	8 th .	Gardening Club	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Monday	15 th .	Parish Council	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm
Tuesday	2 nd . 16 th .	Lunch Pot	10am – 2pm
Tuesday	9 th .	Norwood PG	7pm – 9pm
Wednesday	3^{rd} . 10^{th} . 17^{th} . 24^{th} .	Dance Classes	2pm – 3pm & 5pm – 7pm
Thursday	4 th . 11 th . 18 th . 25 th .	Aerobics	9.30am – 10.30am
Thursday	11 th .	WI	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm
Friday	5 th . 12 th . 19 th .26 th .	Bingo/Social	7.30 pm - 11.30 pm
Saturday	6 th . 20 th . 27 th .	Weight Watchers	9.30am – 11.30am
Saturday	6 th .	Private Party	2.30pm – 5.30pm
Saturday	13 th .	Sati	9.30am – 4pm
Sunday	21 st .	Prospects	2pm – 5pm
Sunday	7 th . 14 th . 21 st . 28 th .	Social Evenings	7.30pm – 11.30pm

To make a booking or check availability please contact Jenny Hayes on 07510281

Parish Council Notes - December's Meeting

http://fiskerton-lincs.org.uk/home/parish-council/

Note! These are brief informal notes from the Council. The official detailed minutes of all meetings are available on the website once they have been approved at the following meeting.

This month's meeting was started by welcoming Stan Hall as the new Clerk for the Parish council. Stan has lived in the village for many years and used to work for the County Council as a Principal Engineer leading the Street lighting team. He has lot of experience with meetings, finances etc and has a good knowledge of local government. We are sure he will prove to be an asset to the village and wish him well in his new post. In the Public Open session a resident complained that a fireworks display had made her dogs very scared and ill. The fireworks weren't at Christmas or New Year when they would reasonably be expected but on an otherwise ordinary evening. There is no obligation for people to notify others of a display but it would be considerate and neighbourly that if you are planning an evening of fireworks that you make your near neighbours aware so they can plan accordingly.

There was also more discussion about the Neighbourhood plan and possibly developments in the village —it was suggested that these discussions be carried on at a Neighbourhood Plan meeting. Whilst on the subject, the Neighbourhood Plan is crucial to the future development of our community and it will have an effect on everyone so it is vitally important that as many people as possible contribute to the plan and its development in these early stages. Please try and attend the meetings the group are organising and have your say, don't leave it to others as they might not value the same things as you. You may even consider joining the group, if more people take part and contribute then the village will have a better, more representative plan for the future as it will have been developed by the people of the village. If you are interested in taking part or have any questions about the Neighbourhood Plan (even if it's only to question a rumour) then contact Rob Wall the NPG Group Chairman and official spokesman for further information. He can be reached on robertwall579@btinternet.com or 01522 595336.

Lastly in the Open Session, District Councillor Welbourn ask that we publicise that she has some funding available for local projects.

In Highways matters there has been very little news other than the Area Highways Officer, Alan Brown, has retired and the Highways department is to be restructured. This, combined with the recently announced funding review, does not bode well for our local roads or any projects we were trying to achieve - but we will keep trying to get Fiskertons' highways problems looked at.

We still hope that the new bus shelter for near The Holt should be installed in February.

In other business it was with sadness that it was reported that the Christmas tree lights had been completely destroyed, however the young person had been identified and the lights were being replaced at their family's expense. Also, in a separate incident, a tree near High Meadows had been vandalised too and the Parish Council will look at replacing that.

Lastly, LCC - highways have informed of the following road closure

REASON FOR CLOSURE: Essential maintenance works

(Including patching, resurfacing, vehicle access reconstruction & footway)

LOCATION: Ferry Road (Between Fiskerton Village & B1202), Fiskerton

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: 7/3/2016 to 18/3/2016 (7 days in this period)

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: Chapel Road, Reepham Road, Fiskerton Road (Reepham), Station Road, High

Street, Kennel Lane, A158, B1202 & Vice Versa

The Next meetings of the Parish Council is at 7:30 pm on Monday the 15th February and of course all are welcome. If you can't make the meeting but would like something to be raised then please email clerk@fiskerton-lincs.org.uk

Chris Darcel, Independent District Councillor for the Cherry Willingham Ward.

Tel 01522 750411, email chris.darcel1@gmail.com or just knock on the door.3 Holmfiled, Fiskerton.

PLEASE NOTE: The opinions expressed in the following piece are the personal views of Councillor Darcel and do not necessarily represent the views of other local officers and organizations.

You blink and another month has gone by. So what is the news?

The Bypass. I have heard a rumour the County Council is to ask Network Rail to build the railway bridge over the Lincoln Eastern Bypass at an approximate cost of £12M. Has LCC heard news that has not yet been passed on to the rest of us? £12M seems a lot of money when the proposed road bridge at Hawthorn Road was stated to be £1M and I would like to know why the County Council is not putting the bid out for competitive tendering? I know preparing the documents costs money – but £12M is a lot of our council tax. Hopefully by next month's Parish News we should know the answers.

The Neighbourhood Plan. Councillor Rob Wall, chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Group has given you an invite to come future meetings of the group. Please come. The Neighbourhood Plan should give residents the opportunity to plan for inevitable growth.

I have been to two recent WLDC Planning Committees, where in the first, an application for 500 dwellings in Greetwell was approved and in the second the application for an extra 123 new homes in Langworth was deferred. If the latter is approved, further to the 36 already in place, it will nearly will nearly double the size of Langworth.

Consequently, I would not be surprised if the Fiskerton population rose from the 1210 recorded in the 2011 census to around 2000 by 2036.

Extrapolating figures from the census and using various projections on the Web the Fiskerton population is likely to change dramatically over the next 20 years. In the 2011 census 200 young people were under 16, 715 of working age, and 295 over the age of 65. There were 30 lone parent families and 50 single pensioner households.

By 2032 we could have 440 residents over the age of 65 and 85 over 85. There could be over 400 youngsters under the age of 16 and some 820 or 41% of residents in 2033 may live in single person households. Our projected housing mix will need to be very different to that of today. We will require several more classrooms in the school and more space for sport and recreation.

I appreciate I labour this point, but with over 500 residents over retirement age and a slightly smaller number of under 16 year olds we have the responsibility to plan ahead to keep tomorrows residents fit, educated, healthy and happy. This is important to me and I hope next month I will be able to show you further details.

To do it we need to pencil in where our future playing fields may go, where the playgrounds and pocket parks should be, where future footpaths and cycle-ways should lead, where new allotments and a community allotment could be located and where is the best place for a community hub? Should the village hall be extended bearing in mind that one of the big improvers of health and quality of life for the elderly are sit down exercise sessions and a place where the elderly can socialise? Community allotments are great for the elderly to gain outdoor exercise, are great relief for those with stressed minds and for combating loneliness.

I can see we might need both the village hall and a community hub, what are your thoughts? Have you experience that might help? Do we need a purpose built unit for preschool groups, and how might that be financed? Is the play park big enough? Is it in the right place? These are all questions that need to be thought about.

Will the village need changing rooms, pavilion, tennis courts, bowls, indoor and out, badminton, or a MUGA(Multi Universal Games Area) for teenagers? If it does, we need to include space in the plan, now. We can worry later how the capital and ongoing maintenance be paid? Would a doctors' surgery, a pharmacy, chiropractors, hair dressers or takeaway be helpful. The bus service may become an issue in view of expected County Council cuts? What can be done?

This is an exciting opportunity to lay down the markers to make sure Fiskerton continues to be a great place to live.

So please let Rob, myself or other members of the team know your thoughts and come to the meetings.

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Sunday Services – February

All services are family and youth-friendly, usually with a vibrant children's programme (Kidzone).

All our services are now held in The Vine Centre, The Parade, Cherry Willingham (the Library building)

Coffee and cake are served from 10.45am and services start at 11.00 am

The Vine Church is linked to a children's home and home for abandoned babies in Kenya, through regular support and short-term work as volunteers in the homes; there is a range of opportunities to get involved in this important work

Connect groups for all ages, providing a social setting for you to connect with people, understand the Bible and grow in faith Adults: Tues 8pm, Cherry Willingham, Wed 8pm, Fiskerton Souled Out – after school on Mondays 3.30-4.30pm - hot dogs, games, life and faith for 11-14year-olds

The Mix for 11-17 year-olds
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Tel 876996 for details

For other church activities see
www.thevinecommunitychurch.org.uk
Or phone (01522) 872011 (Church Office) The Vine
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The Third Thursday Book Club

For women who love to read a good book, and talk about it with friends! It's on the third Thursday every month. You'll enjoy it, and meet new friends. We read a wide variety of great books, a different one each month. Free copies available

Thursday February 18th. 7.30pm

Tel: Veronica on 872011



Ladies come to the ROSIE LEA CAFÉ, Cherry Willingham for a good breakfast, friendship and conversation Saturday February 6th. 8.45 for 9.00am.

Listen to a Christian speaker – this month's speaker is Wendy Pitt Cost: £5.20 - Lifts can be provided.

So come and join us by ringing Jan 753432 or Ann 800209





<u>Charity Coffee Morning at Cherry Willingham Church Hall</u> from 10am – 11.30am on Saturday 13th. February

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