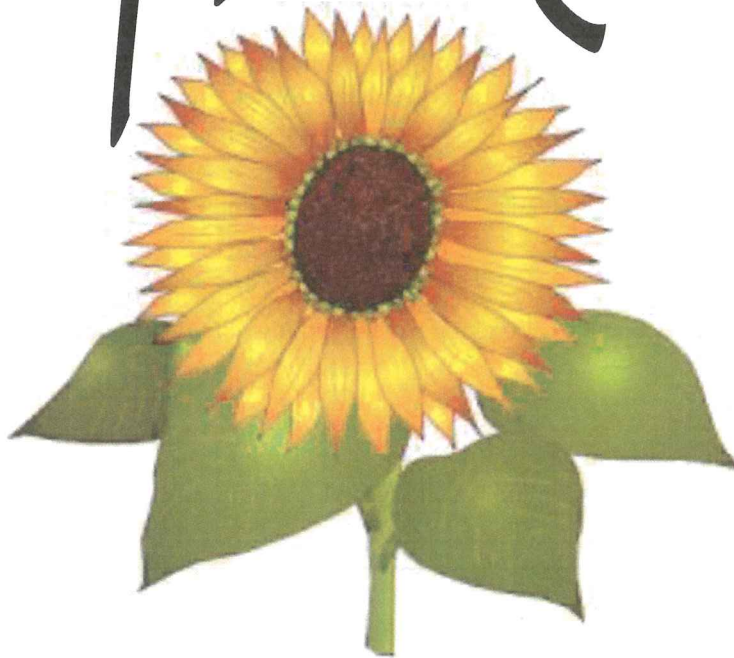


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*April 2016*

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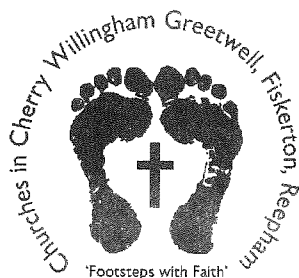


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**GIANT Sunflower**

**Seeds**

## Inside THIS Newsletter



### **Vicar's Blog:**

This has been an unusual week – through my letterbox this week popped a letter from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York. A joint letter asking all Parish Priests to encourage their congregations and communities to pray for our nation in the week leading up to Pentecost on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

They write this:

*'At the heart of our prayers will be the words that Jesus Christ himself taught us – 'Thy Kingdom Come, thy will be done.' It is impossible to overstate the life-transforming power of the Lord's Prayer. It is a prayer that is reassuring enough*

*to be on the lips of the dying and yet dangerous enough to be banned in cinemas. It is famous enough to be spoken each day by billions in hundreds of languages and yet intimate enough to draw us ever closer into friendship with Jesus Christ. It is simple enough to be memorised by small children and yet profound enough to sustain a whole lifetime of prayer. When we pray it with sincerity and with joy, there is no imagining the new ways in which God can use us to His glory'.*

I guess that most of us still know the Lord's Prayer and therefore most of us know how to pray and what to pray. Whether we believe it makes any difference I guess is the key. For Christians, prayer is the powerhouse, without it our ministry is barren and empty. I intend that, as Church of England Churches, we do gather in prayer during that week, perhaps in ways that we have not done before. I am toying with the idea of prayer walking around all eight of our churches in that week – praying as we go, and also stopping for prayer for a while in each church. It seems to me a good way of linking our communities and offering people a stopping place. In each of our churches we will provide some prayer resources, so that folk have some ideas about what to pray and have some different ways of praying. For most of our churches the week-end of 14/15 May also leads into the West Lindsey Open Churches week-end when we are open to visitors from right across the country – how wonderful that we can extend a welcome to visitors and offer them places of great beauty, history and powerhouses of prayer.

So, next month we will advertise what we are doing in each of our churches. If you would like to join in, then please feel free to do so – this is open to all praying people and it would be a delight if you could join us. Every blessing

Penny

PS If you are reading this in Fiskerton, you will have received some seeds with your copy of this Newsletter – praying is a bit like sowing seeds – sow it and watch it grow!

### **Lawres Group Clergy:**

Vicar: Revd Penny Green

01522 595596

[revdpg@virginmedia.com](mailto:revdpg@virginmedia.com)

Associate Priest: Revd Sue Bradley

Associate Priest: Revd Carol Bason

Assistant Curate: Revd Chris Hewitt

**Church Wardens** Mrs L. Forman

Applegarth, Ferry Road Fiskerton 01526 398316

(Fiskerton) Mrs A Townsend

25 St. Clement's Drive Fiskerton 01522 595109

Church Key also available from:

Mrs M Gibson, 14 Ferryside Gardens 01522 752117

Benefice Website:

[www.southlawresbenefice.org.uk](http://www.southlawresbenefice.org.uk)

### **MESSY CHURCH:**

APRIL 24<sup>th</sup>.

4pm

St. Clement's Church

All parents and children are very welcome to come along and have some messy fun in Church.



**SERVICES for the Lawres Group****APRIL 2016****3<sup>rd</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sunday of Easter**

8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham  
 9.15am *Easter Praise at Fiskerton*  
 10.45am Holy Communion at Greetwell  
 4pm Messy Church at Reepham

**10<sup>th</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sunday of Easter**

9.15am *Holy Communion at Fiskerton*  
 9.15am Easter Praise at Reepham  
 10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham

**17<sup>th</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup>. Sunday of Easter**

9.15am *Holy Communion at Fiskerton*  
 10.45am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham  
 4pm Family Worship at Reepham  
 6.30pm Compline at Cherry Willingham

**24<sup>th</sup>. 5<sup>th</sup>. Sunday of Easter**

8am Holy Communion at Cherry Willingham  
 9.15am Holy Communion at Reepham  
 10.45am Easter Praise at Cherry Willingham  
 4pm *Messy Church at Fiskerton*

Holy Communion will be held at Cherry Willingham Church at 9.30am on:-  
 Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup>. 13<sup>th</sup>. 20<sup>th</sup>. 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Service Rota**

April	Sidesman	Reader	Intercessions	Cleaning	Flowers
3 <sup>rd</sup> .	Gill Walkinton	Annette Townsend Acts 5: 27 - 32	Lynda Forman Churchview Cresc.	Mary Gibson & Lynda Forman	M. Gibson
10 <sup>th</sup> .	Sandy Massey	Lynda Forman Acts 9: 1-6(7-20)	CLERGY Shortferry		Jean Thomas
17 <sup>th</sup> .	John Fletcher	Paul Forman Acts 9: 36 - end	CLERGY Village Shop	Maureen Broad	Jean Thomas
24 <sup>th</sup> .		Messy	Church		Gill Walkinton
May 1 <sup>st</sup> .	Jean Lunn	Carol Proctor Acts 16: 9 - 15	Lynda Forman Blacksmiths Rd.	Annette Townsend & Jean Lunn	

We would like to thank the following organisations for their donations to the printing of this Newsletter: It is very much appreciated.

The Luncheon Club: £20      The Gardening Club: £10

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**Friends of St. Clement's Lottery:****MARCH Winners.**

£25: No. 2: Lynda Forman  
 £10: No.64: Mrs M Newton

£5: No.10: Sally Scott  
 £5 No.31: Dr. & Mrs Harrison

## What's On in April

## In the Village:-



**FISKERTON Parish Church** is once again open for visiting

On Tuesday mornings from 10am – noon.

If you want to come and look at the architecture, or sit and take some time out, then do please make use of this time. There will be someone to welcome you, make you a hot drink and have a chat if that is what you want.

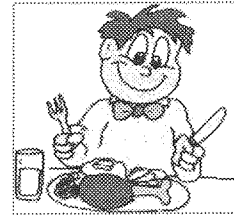
### THE LUNCH POT

Do come and join us for lunch in the Village Hall.

It will only cost you £3. 00 pp

The dates for April are **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>. & 26<sup>th</sup>.**

To Book a place, please call Mary on 595291



### Fiskerton Gardening Club:

The days are getting longer, the weeds will soon be growing rapidly and we may be planning changes in our gardens so why not join like-minded people for talks and visits related to gardening. There is a tendency not to give as much thought to our front gardens for various reasons, such as the need to park the car, so you might find some useful ideas from our next event on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April** when the very experienced West Shores nursery owners will be talking to us about the challenges and some fresh ideas on the subject. The talk is **GARDENING AT THE FRONT** and begins at **7.20 pm in the Village Hall. Everyone is very welcome.**

If visiting other people's gardens is what gives you inspiration and pleasure then we have a visit to a garden in Woodhall Spa in June and a day outing to Castle Howard in Yorkshire in July.

There is no meeting in August but in September we will be hearing about the work of The Woodland Trust.



The next meeting of Fiskerton WI is on **Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup>**. at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The speaker is Karen Crowe. She will be speaking about being a Town Crier.

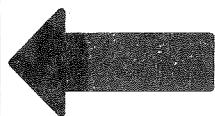
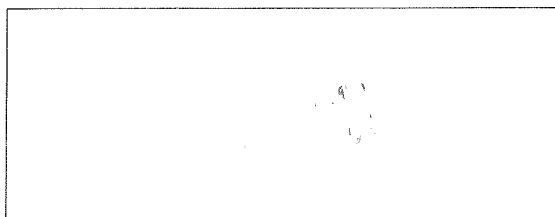
***This is an open meeting and members are invited to bring husbands, relatives and friends along too.***

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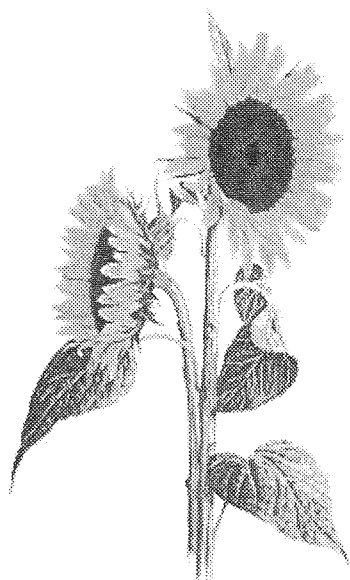
### NEWSLETTER INFORMATION:

If you wish to place items in Fiskerton Newsletter, they **MUST** be with the editor **BEFORE 19<sup>th</sup> 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.com](mailto:fiskertonnews@btinternet.com)

## Grow a Giant Sunflower



**YOUR FREE SEEDS**



Saint Clement's Church invites you to take part in a  
**"FREE TO ENTER"** competition  
to grow the **TALLEST** giant sunflower.

- You can plant the seeds above straight into the garden in the place where you want them to grow, or
- Start them off in plant pots, on a windowsill or in a greenhouse, and do not plant them out until the risk of frost has passed.
- Then plant them out in a sunny spot, preferably where you can give them some support and protection from strong winds.



***This variety might grow to be 15 feet tall!***

By the end of September, they should have a single large sunflower on their top.

**On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September**, we want you to cut them off at ground level and then bring them to church between 10.00 a.m. and noon for **MEASURING**.

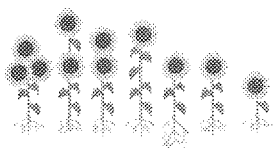
**We would then like to invite you back to Church at 4pm**

**There will be a short Harvest Praise Service,**

**Drinks and light refreshments**

**AND.....**

**THE AWARDING OF not very MAGNIFICENT PRIZES.**



Good luck !  
May your fingers be ever so green !



### Village Hall Bookings for APRIL:

Monday	4 <sup>th</sup> . 11 <sup>th</sup> . 18 <sup>th</sup> . 25 <sup>th</sup> .	Fiskertots	10am – 11.30am
Monday	4 <sup>th</sup> . 11 <sup>th</sup> . 18 <sup>th</sup> . 25 <sup>th</sup> .	Karate Classes	3.30pm – 4.30pm
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup> .	Gardening Club	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup> . 26 <sup>th</sup> .	Lunch Pot	10am – 2pm
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup> . 13 <sup>th</sup> . 20 <sup>th</sup> . 27 <sup>th</sup> .	Dance Classes	2pm – 3pm & 5pm – 7pm
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup> . 13 <sup>th</sup> . 20 <sup>th</sup> . 27 <sup>th</sup> .	Zumba Classes	7.30pm – 8.30pm
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup> . 14 <sup>th</sup> . 21 <sup>st</sup> . 28 <sup>th</sup> .	Aerobics	9.30am – 10.30am
Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup> .	WI	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup> .	NPG	7pm – 9pm
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 – 11.30pm
Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> . 16 <sup>th</sup> . 30 <sup>th</sup> .	Weight Watchers	9.30am – 11.30am
Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> .	Private Party	2pm – 4pm
Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> .	Sati	9.30am – 4pm
Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup> .	Workshop	9am – 4pm
Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup> .	Prospects	2.30pm – 4.30pm
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> . 10 <sup>th</sup> . 17 <sup>th</sup> . 24 <sup>th</sup> .	Social Evenings	7.30pm – 11.30pm
Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> .	Private Party	4pm – 6pm
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup> .	Prospects	2pm – 5pm
Sunday	24 <sup>th</sup> .	Workshop	9am – 4pm

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

### Bus stop Improvements:



Improvements are to be made to bus stops at Short Ferry, Chapel Road and the stop near to Ferryside.

Formalised bus stops will make bus travel more accessible for all users, by providing the following facilities:

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- Sections of specialist raised kerbs to aid access on and off the bus, particularly for wheelchair users, those with prams and people with mobility problems.

These works are carried out in accordance with the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, under which the County Council has permitted development rights to provide bus stop facilities within the highway boundary. In addition all new bus stops are subject to a rigorous safety audit prior to and following construction.

Details of the improvements are also being sent to the local county councillor and adjacent properties. It is hoped that these improvements will be installed within the next few weeks.

**POLICE NEWS:** Nettleham Neighbourhood Policing Team, Police Station, Scothern Lane, Nettleham LN2 2TU

E.mail [nettleham.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:nettleham.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk) [twitter.com@npt-nettleham](https://twitter.com/npt-nettleham)

**Call your LOCAL Police: 101**

**Only in an EMERGENCY call 999**

Summer will soon be upon us and it is important that we think about the safety of our homes through the summer months, especially if we have sunny weather, out in the garden, mowing the lawn or just having a Bar B Q, how many of us are guilty of leaving the doors and windows open when we are in the back garden.

Open windows and doors may let the fresh air in but they also allow easy access and provide tempting opportunities for thieves who need just seconds to walk or reach in and take purses and other valuables from tables and worktops. Don't give thieves an open invitation. A determined burglar can get through the smallest of open windows. So, whenever you go out - no matter how long for, make sure you shut all windows and doors.

Christopher Darcel, West Lindsey District Councillor for the Cherry Willingham Ward, tel 01522 750 411  
Email [chris.darcel1@gmail.com](mailto:chris.darcel1@gmail.com), or knock on the door, 3 Holmfield, Fiskerton.

Firstly, I have used some of the remaining monies left in my Councillor Initiative Fund for the Village Hall to offer new ventures i.e. a couple of hire sessions free, just to see if the idea is viable.

One resident has suggested a breakfast club might be popular and I wonder if a "sitting down exercise" club might be both fun and beneficial. Many of us oldies might enjoy meeting in the hall once a week and doing a simple work out to keep our tickers in good shape. A childrens' club might also be a possibility, who knows? If you have any ideas or might like to be a volunteer, please contact the village hall or and I will mention it on your behalf.

#### **Four of the concerns I have as District Councillor are**

**The lack of money** coming back to the villages as a result of development. This was promised as part of the Localism Act but because we failed to get a Local Plan in place for 2013, parishes are getting the houses but not the money. Greetwell and Sudbrooke are two nearby examples. Greetwell has 500 homes coming its way and a number of residents in Sudbrooke would dearly like to extend the village hall to accommodate increased activity: They are getting no help either from S106 money or the District Council. If we in Fiskerton are to get new houses we need to make sure we get our £1 of flesh.

**The Bypass**, I am slowly assimilating the Inspectors report. In spite of what we were told about losing the bridge to save money, I do not believe money was the issue and when the sums are done I expect the extra cost of the bridge would be little different to the cost of the enquiries. I will distribute my own news-letter on this shortly. The footbridge will be built to take a horse and cart, so I am expecting to see a new business in Cherry Willingham. Horse and Cart hire! The question I am prompted to ask is "would we have been better supported if we paid our council tax to Lincoln rather than Gainsborough? You should read the Inspector's report.

**Green bins.** At the WLDC full council meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, several of my fellow councillors suggested charging for green bin collection. It is an easy target. The DC is not obliged to collect garden waste, but as we already provide the service, charging for it would seem to be a price increase. There is a £5 cap on increasing Council Tax so I am not sure how that would be affected.

Many of our residents are totally reliant on their OAPs, and have already seen other price rises more than consume this year's pensions increase. Another £30 or so per year would hurt.

My objection is more practical. Fly tipping would increase and the cost of dealing with that would eat in to the extra revenue raised. I wonder if anyone has any ideas on how WLDC could reduce the cost of green bin collections. I have one- but after you!

**Open Spaces.** There is almost too much information on the Web highlighting the benefits of open spaces to a community. These include mental and physical health benefits, reducing costs to our National Health Service, delaying the onset of *alzheimers and dementia*, creating community spirit and reducing anti-social behaviour. Encouraging school children to take up sports has a big impact on obesity and diabetes in later life. Community allotments provide therapeutic health benefits and the chance for lonely people to meet others socially. Space for cricket and football provides a focus in a community and provides enjoyment for players and spectators alike.

There are statements made that suggest that £1 spent on open space can give a return of £23 in reducing the NHS bill and that savings nationally could be £21B. What would that be worth Lincolnshire? £21M?

These are not my figures but I am sure they are right.

#### **Lastly, the Neighbourhood Plan, Consultation Meeting Thursday 19th May 7 PM the Village Hall.**

Hopefully The Church Commission will be presenting several different possibilities and inviting you to make your comments known. I would have been much happier if this consultation had happened a while ago, but instigating and collecting reports can take time. I am confident the result will be worth the wait. There are a number of issues that need to be thought through, including access, drainage, medical facilities and school numbers and rate of growth, so please come and have your say.

If you would like to contact me please do, I will be delighted to hear from you.



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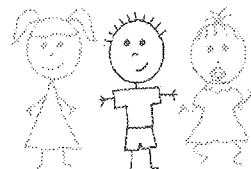
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**Saturday April 2nd 8.45 for 9.00am.**

Listen to a Christian speaker – this month is Pauline Warden, a Methodist Local Preacher

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



**Charity Coffee Morning at Cherry Willingham Church Hall**  
**from 10am – 11.30am on Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup>.**

This monthly coffee morning is always well supported and all profits go to charity.  
So please come along and enjoy coffee, cake and the opportunity to chat with friends old and new.



***Church for Life in today's  
world: lively, engaging,  
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**Sunday Services –April**

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**  
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Or phone (01522) 872011 (Church Office) The Vine Community Church Reg. Charity 1142056 is part of the Ground Level Network of Churches

**The Third Thursday Book Club**  
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Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup>. Tel : Veronica on 872011

**Cherry Willingham library has reopened**, operated by volunteers from The Vine Community Church.  
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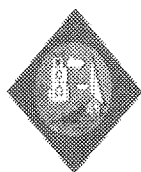
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Fiskerton Neighbourhood Plannning Committee

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7pm. This is a committee meeting, and will include an analysis of the Housing Needs Survey.  
However, all are welcome to attend.

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West Lindsey Open Churches Weekend: May 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>. 2016

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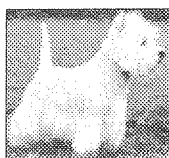
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