

St MARY'S CHURCH
Sunday services at 9.15 a.m.

4th June All Age Worship led by Annie Harrison
11th June Morning Prayer led by Rachel Wilson
18th June Eucharist, celebrant Rodney Nicholson
25th June Morning Prayer led by Tony Burdon

Churchyard maintenance

on Tuesday evenings from 6.30 pm onwards. If it suits you to go at another time to mow, weed, tidy or just enjoy a peaceful place please do so. It's there for everyone

The Parochial Church Council would like to thank all those who have generously donated their time to cut the grass and help maintain the churchyard, this is not any easy task and we are grateful for your efforts. We would also like to thank all who make donations to Huggate St Mary,. We are continuing work to make the church accessible to all and all funds are vital.

Police "Drop In Surgery" at Wetwang Village Hall Coffee Morning

PCSO Laura Hudson will be available at the above location to discuss community issues and offer crime prevention advice between 10:30 to 12:00 hours on 13th June and 18th July.

CONTACT AND CONTRIBUTE

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PLEASE send information BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH for the next edition, so that we can produce it promptly.

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SUNDAY 18th JUNE 2-4 pm



Jo Cox MP lived her life spreading her belief that we have more in common than divides us.

In that spirit, her family and friends are inviting people across the country to mark the anniversary of her murder with a celebration in their community on 16th-18th June.

St Mary's Church invites the children and parents in the village to come to an

adventure in the churchyard

There will be opportunities for planting wild flowers, bark, leaf and stone rubbings, quizzes and scavenger hunt, mini beast safari, writing in invisible ink, tree and flower identification.

Other adults are welcome too! You will be able to find out about our plans for the churchyard and help us to update our record of the memorials on the more recent headstones.

We will end the afternoon with a drink and a bun.

Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult and please wear old clothes and sensible shoes.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

1. ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

At the monthly meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th May 2017 Jenni Shields was elected Chair and Jane Leaver Vice Chair.

Your other Councillors are: Jacquie Lazenby, Philip Duggelby, George Fuller, Barbara Lambert, Gerry Whelan. Audrey Johnson is Clerk to the Council

2. VILLAGE WELL

The village well project is ongoing and two benches have been purchased to be placed adjacent to the well. A notice board is being designed which will display information about the well, places of note and village history, which will take its place between the two benches. If any resident has a suggestion about the content of the notice board information please contact Gerry Whelan on 01377 288178. Ideas will be welcome and any pictures of the village, past and present, would be particularly valuable. The following items have been suggested so far:

Location map of the village and surrounding area; St Mary's Church (Grade 1 listed). The Wolds Inn; The Wolds Way National Trail; Huggate Dykes (3,000 year old Bronze Age Earthworks.); David Hockney trail; Local Flora and Fauna; History of the well.

3. QUIZ NIGHT

The Quiz Night held on Thursday 11th May was an enjoyable evening. A big thank you must go to our MC, Jenni Shields, and question setters, Brian and Jacquie Lazenby for all their work to make the evening a success.. The pie and chips served in the interval, courtesy of John and Jayne Leaver, were a most welcome addition to the evening judging by the empty plates at the end of the meal! There is to be another **quiz night in the Wolds Inn on 17th July at 7 pm.**

4. BOTTOM POND CLEARANCE

The second phase of the Bottom Pond project is to start shortly. A planting plan has been produced for additional marginal plants around the edge of the pond which will enhance the reeds, bullrushes and yellow flag Iris which are growing naturally. Additional trees will be planted to complement the large ash (100 years old), horse chestnut and weeping willow near the pond. Silt from the pond clearance has been spread along the southern boundary and will be seeded with a mixture of grass and wild flowers, which should spread into the area of shrubs and trees beyond the amenity grassland.

The original Nature Conservation and Access Management Plan produced by Wold Ecology Ltd on behalf of the Parish Council identified that the bottom pond area is a site of nature conservation interest. On their site visit in April 2016 they identified a total of 15 species of birds, 2 amphibians, 1 butterfly and 32 species of trees, shrubs, and plants. However, they concluded that the pond was suffering from management neglect. At the time of the survey the water area of the pond was in a poor condition due to an excessive silt build up, litter, and deadwood lying in the middle of the pond.

But it would return to a wonderfully historic and semi-natural place for people and wild life with a combination of small scale positive community action and larger scale contractor involvement.

5. DRIFFIELD ROAD PIT SITE

Thanks to the hard work of a local farmer who has been spraying the site, the Japanese Knot Weed which was present in the site of the old village pit has now been eradicated. The Knot weed reported in the April Huggate News was identified as a common woodland weed and not the dreaded Japanese invader. This was confirmed during a site inspection carried out recently by an Agronomist (an expert on rural economy husbandry) who could find no trace of the weed and gave the site the all clear. The Council can now go ahead with the plan to turn part of the old pit site into a village car park. This could prove to be a costly business, so working on the basis that it is better to spend someone else's money rather than your own, a member of the council will be investigating the possibility of obtaining a grant to cover the cost. This, of course, is subject to planning permission which may or may not be forthcoming.

6. DRIFFIELD ROAD CONDITION

After many representations from the Parish Council, ERYC recently carried out work to resurface the road on the dangerous bend just as you leave the village towards Wetwang where minor accidents have taken place. After inspecting the job carried out, the Parish Council has judged that the standard of work is unacceptable and has not improved the situation to anybody's satisfaction. A strongly worded letter of complaint will now be sent to the Council in the hope that they will return and carry out a complete resurfacing before a serious accident takes place.

St. Mary's Church

Sunday 16th July from 2pm

SUMMER FAIR

fundraising for a new organ

2 pm

Hymns and Pimms in Church

3-5

Cream teas and activities at Carter's Barn

5 pm onwards

Barbecue and social at Carter's Barn

Help needed with preparation, stalls, and tidying up.

Please fill in and return the enclosed form to Ruth Bratihwaite,
5 Manor Farm Court