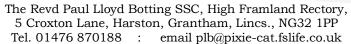
HIGH FRAMLAND NEWS

November 2010

PARISHES OF

BRANSTON: CROXTON KERRIAL: HARSTON

KNIPTON: SALTBY: SPROXTON



▲ write this with a mixture of feelings. In | to the quiet, unassuming folk who faithfully one sense it is somewhat a relief to be able to 'lay down the pen' and not think of relevant, irrelevant, meaningful, trite, historical, liturgical, social, encouraging, amusing, sad, emotional and grateful things to say in this front piece of the newsletter.

In another sense, it is poignant because it is a sort of 'symbol' of our time together in the High Framland Group, with me as your parish priest, which ceases in a formal sense on 31st October. Although I end my ministry as an incumbent, my ministry as a priest in the Church of God continues—well, it is God's ministry really. I am only a servant who channels the sacraments and the love of God to those who accept it. That aspect will not cease.

Let me quote a parishioner who said to me: "The Church of England is like your family, isn't it? Some of them may be batty—quite a lot of them are, actually, but it's still your family".

I know that I must have contributed to that 'hattiness' since my Ordination in 1971, but the good Lord has worked through me in spite of me, and I have enjoyed my contacts in every parish I have had the privilege of working in. The family aspect shows itself in many ways: from the churchwardens and officials who

have supported me wonderfully over the years, turn up to church each week, who faithfully pray and support their neighbour by acts of caring and who give of their time and money sacrificially. This is just as apparent in this group as in any other, and you can be justifiably proud, in the best sense of that word, for all you have done and will continue to

Any parish priest, at least those I know, spends a considerable amount of time with people who do not go to church for any number of reasons. My training, admittedly of the traditional school of a disciplined way of life, - incidentally probably something people don't see because it is to do with the Daily Office of Morning and Evening Prayer, Eucharist, Spiritual reading and various other aspects which go into the life of a priest - teaches never to judge and always to accept people for what they are. I must say this has been excellent advice and has led to many rewarding contacts.

So as I now sign off, thank you to all who have taken the trouble to read these thoughts and have expressed appreciation of them. Thank you most of all for being who and what you are, and for the times we have enjoyed together.

Paul Botting



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IN THE PARISHES

BRANSTON Churchwardens: Mary Bircham, 870261 Susan Wells, 870240

Readers: 28th November- MP. 1. Geoffrey Knight; 2. Susan Wells

Flowers and Brasses: Susan Wells

7th-Janet North: 28th Sue Pott Cleanina:

Organ recording: Monday 11th to Thursday 14th—recording of the organ by a team from Germany

> The family of Paul Bircham would like to thank everyone for attending the memorial service on 16th October and for their generous donations. which amounted to £182.00, in aid of Branston church.

CROXTON Churchwardens: Nalda Shipman, 870258 KERRIAL Barbara Jefferson, 870073

Readers: 14th November — EP. 1. John Beaven 2. Kim Ranns

Altar flowers: 7th Nov-A Botterill; 14th Nov-D Bursnall; 21st Nov-J Durrands

28th November - no flowers, Advent

RIDE & STRIDE

Thank you to Ann Markham and Christine Fitch for taking part in the Ride & Stride event, which raised £182.50, to be split between the Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust and Croxton Kerrial church.

OPEN GARDENS-Sunday, 3rd July 2011

Are you willing to open your garden? — we need about 10. All offers of help gratefully received!

Please save your unwanted self-seeded plants for the plant stall. All in aid of Cancer Charity: please 'phone Kim on 870419

HARSTON Churchwardens: William Hurrell, 870123 John Anderson, 870424

Readers: 7th November-MP. 1. Barrie Grice 2. Virginia Hurrell

28th November: OT Rosalie Grice; NT Alice Epton

I would like to state again my thanks to you all for the gifts presented to me at the Harvest Supper. It was a moving moment for me, and I will not forget your kindness. PLB. Also, we said farewell to John Anderson, who for many years faithfully acted in various capacities—Treeasurer, Churchwarden, Architect—and all with the tremendous support of Alice, who at one time played the organ. We thank them and wish them well in their new home in Lancashire. PLB..

KNIPTON

Readers: 7th November: 1. Jane Hennessey 2. Joan Bradley (6.00 pm)

21st November: OT Jane Hennessey NT Joan Bradley

Sideswoman: Mrs Freda Hart Cleaning and brasses All together

By the time you receive this we will have said farewell to Tim Stansby, who died on Tuesday 28th September. Tim was a stalwart to Knipton Church not only as Churchwarden and Treasurer, but also in the general running and day to day business. He and Jim were a great team and I was very thankful for their hard work when I first came here. Many of you will remember Tim especially for his work on the Belvoir Estate. We extend our condolences to Julie and the family, and pray that they feel supported in the future days. PLB.

SALTBY Churchwardens: Mrs S Hill, 860398 Mr D Tebb, 562019

Cleaning: Mrs J Tebb

Flowers: 1st fortnight—Mrs J Pruden; 2nd fortnight—Mrs S Banfield

Please note: no flowers on Sunday, 28th—Advent begins

Tuesday, 23rd November from 5.45 to 9.00 pm Ringers:

SALTBY COFFEE MORNINGS at the Methodist Community Centre

are held on the first Saturday of each month, from 10.00 to 11.30 am

Everyone welcome for a coffee and chat

SPROXTON Churchwarden: William Ennis, 07584 255340

Readers: 14th November: OT Roisin Ennis; NT Monica Stevenson

21st November: 1. Ruth Powdrill 2. Suzanne Jeffreys

Ringers: Wed 3rd November at 6.00 pm (Robin Rogers)

Wed 1st December at 6.00 pm (Robin Rogers)

Cleaning: Monica Stevenson, Ruth Powderill and Wendy Garner

SPROXTON VILLAGE HALL LUNCHES-2nd Wednesday in the month at 12.45 pm

£3 for two courses. Everyone welcome

Thank you to everyone who made this year's Harvest Festival so memorable. St Bartholomew's was beautifully decorated. Many unknown donors were very generous with gifts of produce. The Harvest Supper was greatly enjoyed by all who attended. The food was excellent, as always. Thanks to all who bid generously in the auction of produce. You raised £72.45, which will be divided as equally as possible between Ovarian Cancer Awareness and the Pakistani Floods Appeal.

Stanley Birch has found it necessary to retire from the mowing of St. Bartholomew's churchyard. Speaking to him last night revealed that he has been mowing the churchyard for more than fifty years! The PCC would like to thank Stanley for his faithfulness over so many years and hopes that he continues to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the churchyard without the sound of the mower in his ears.

For matters appertaining to funerals, baptisms, weddings, churchyards and any other areas where you need advice, please contact:

The Revd Jeff Hopewell (Assistant Area Dean) on 01664 820064, email—jshopewell@btinternet.com

And after 5th December please contact:

The Revd Beverley Stark (Area Dean) on 01664 464600, email—beverley.stark@btinternet.com

Items for the December newsletter: please contact NICK COOKE on 01476 860745, <a href="mailto:emailto:

Pastoral Offices

BAPTISMS 26th September at Croxton Kerrial: **RICHARD NATHAN NEWBOLD**

OLIVER TIMOTHY NEWBOLD

3rd October at Knipton: TOMAS ALEX WOOLERTON

TOBY JAKE WOOLERTON

17th October at Harston: SKYE ELIZABETH LUCY TINSLEY

24th October at Branston: AMELIA ELSIE GOULD

Reception and Welcome after Baptism at Leicester General Hospital:

2nd October at Saltby: HARRISON LEE CREASEY

WEDDING 18th September at Saltby: **ALAN JOHN PAGE** and

JANE ANN MacEACHERN

FUNERAL 13th October at Knipton church and Grantham Crematorium:

TIMOTHY JOHN STANSBY (62)

MEMORIAL SERVICE 16th October at Branston: JAMES PAUL BIRCHAM



YEAR "C" November 2010	7th November 3rd before Advent GREEN p 936, 937, 938, 939	14th November 2nd before Advent GREEN Remembrance Sunday	21st November Christ the King WHITE p 944, 946, 947, 948	29th November YEAR A BEGINS Advent Sunday PURPLE p 1, 2, 3
OT track 2	Job 19, 23-27a 2 Thessalonians 2 (1-8 and 13-17) Luke 20 (27-38)	Micah 4 (1-5) (* 2) 1 Corinthians 15 (51 to end) Matthew 5 (1-11)	Jeremiah 23 (1-6) Colossians 1 (11-20) Luke 23 (33-43)	Isaiah 2 (1-5) Romans 13 (11-14) Matthew 24 (36-44)
BRANSTON				9.00 am MORNING PRAYER Judith Wells
CROXTON		3.00 pm EVENING		
KERRIAL		PRAYER and Act of Remembrance *1 Judith Wells		
HARSTON	8.30 am MORNING PRAYER Judith Wells			11.00 am HOLY COMMUNION Fr Alan Haydock
KNIPTON	6.00 pm *1 SERVICE OF LIGHT and Commemoration of the Departed Judith Wells	10.50 am Belvoir PC Service at Knipton War Memorial Fr Alan Haydock	9.45 am HOLY COMMUNION Fr Alan Haydock	
SALTBY	9.45 am HOLY COMMUNION Fr Alan Haydock			
SPROXTON		9.30 am HOLY COMMUNION and Act of Remem- brance for Sproxton and Saltby Fr Alan Haydock	11.00 am FAMILY/ALL AGE WORSHIP Judith Wells	11.00 am Village Hall Service Coffee & biscuits 11.00 am—service starts 11.15 am

^{*1} Readings for Commemoration of the Departed: Wisdom 3 (1-9); John 11 (17-27)

Judith Wells Belvoir Team Office, Monday to Thursday, 9.00 am to 14.30 pm

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