



PARISH NEWS

JUNE/JULY 2016

MIDDLETON, NORTH RUNCTON & EAST WINCH



NORTH RUNCTON FLOWER FESTIVAL

All Saints Church North Runcton will be holding its annual Flower Festival from **Friday June 3rd to Monday June 6th** both dates inclusive, with the church being open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm daily.

Events include **Friday June 3rd at 7:00 pm** a concert with Karen Stewart. Tickets for this event cost £10.00 and include supper (please bring your own drinks) across the green in the Village Meeting Place. Tickets from Lynda Fuller 01553 840553 and Catherine Fox 841435.

During **Saturday and Sunday** there will be stalls in the churchyard which will include Bric a Brac, Tombola, a very tasty Cake stall plus a raffle. We won't say no if you would like to donate anything to these stalls - bring on the day or give Lynda or Catherine a call. Refreshments and light lunches will also be served across the green at the Village Meeting Place.

On **Sunday June 5th** we shall be holding a Songs of Praise service at 6:00 pm so if you have a favourite hymn please let Lynda or Catherine know and we will do our best to include it.

Monday June 6th the church will again be open from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

HELP US SAVE YOUR VILLAGE HALL FROM CLOSURE

The trustees of the East Winch Village Hall are holding a meeting at the hall on **Thursday 9th June at 7.30 pm** to discuss with members of the public and representatives of the Parish Council, the future viability of the hall. The Parish Council has been informed by the trustees that the availability of the hall in future has been put in jeopardy because the trustees cannot find any suitable volunteers within the community to help.

Built and opened in 1958 to provide a venue for various activities, social occasions, functions and meetings the hall is still being used by various groups and clubs.

After nine years both the chairperson/event booker and the treasurer/secretary, because of various personal reasons, now intend to stand down and wish to hand over, in an orderly manner, the reins to younger volunteers.

Please make an effort to attend this important meeting and let us know your opinions. The current trustees will be on hand to answer any questions regarding the duties and tasks they perform.

After nearly sixty years in constant use serving the villagers and community, is it right that through a lack of trustees the future of the hall is now in serious doubt???

Trustees of East Winch Village Hall

FAREWELL FROM CANON PAUL & RUTH

Canon Paul Allton and his wife Ruth have recently left the Benefice to live nearer to their son and his family. They have sent the following farewell message:

Ruth and Paul would like to thank all our friends across the Benefice for sending us off to our new home in Bromley with so much warmth and so many good wishes. We greatly enjoyed the Tea Party in the Village Meeting Room at North Runcton and we would like to thank you all across the Benefice for your generous leaving gifts.

We lived amongst you for longer than we have lived anywhere, so our leaving was a real heart-wrench. But it is good - from the many words spoken and cards received - to be able to carry away with us really warm thoughts of you all and at this end already to have received a similarly warm welcome that really makes us feel truly at home. The church communities of the Middlewinch Benefice will stay in our thoughts and prayers. We valued being able to play some part in your life and we wish you all every good blessing.

One of our new friends here sent us a card with a quotation from Isaiah "My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings and in quiet resting-places". May you all know the peace, security and quietness of heart that comes to His people from our loving God.

May Christ bless us in all we do in His Name.

Paul and Ruth

SWING BAND CONCERT - GAYTON CHURCH

The Centre Stage Swing Band under the direction of Chris Gutteridge will be giving a midsummer concert in Gayton church on the evening of **Monday 27th June at 7.30pm**. Tickets on the door will be £8.00 with refreshments during the interval.

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WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

By Chris Dixon

John W Willgress Died 18 June 1916

The Willgress family lived in Setch Road, near the junction with Water Lane, Blackborough End. William and Eliza had ten children of whom six sons and two daughters survived to adulthood. All the males were farm labourers.

By the start of the war, John, the eldest son, had a new job as woodman and estate hand for Mr Rennie of West Bilney Lodge. Aged 32, he enlisted on 10th May 1915 and later in the year was drafted to the 7th Battalion, Northamptonshire Regiment in Belgium.

This Battalion was known as the "Mobbs Own", having been personally raised by the charismatic Edgar Mobbs who went from private soldier to command of the Battalion. He was a former captain of the Northampton and England rugby teams. He won the DSO and was killed in 1917.

During his few months at the front John experienced no major action but plenty of shellfire in trenches at the notoriously muddy Hooze sector, just east of Ypres and later Wulverghem, further south. There was concern about the German use of phosgene gas in this area. A constant eye was kept on the wind direction and primitive gas masks were issued, as well as the new steel helmets.

At 12.30 am on 17th June a gas cloud was released, followed by heavy shelling. John was either gassed or wounded and died the next day. He was buried in Bailleul Communal Cemetery.



Rev Alexander conducted a memorial service on Sunday 2nd July in St Mary's, Middleton. The pulpit was draped with the Union Jack and apart from family and friends, 25 representatives of the Royal Standard Lodge of Shepherds, of which John was an active member, were in attendance.

A year later, John's parents put this memorial in the Lynn News:

In Memorium

*In ever loving memory of our dear son
Pte. J W Willgress, Northamptonshire Regt.,
who died while on active service in France,
June 18th, 1916.*

*One year has passed but still we miss him;
Friends may think the wound has healed;
But they little know the sorrow
That's within our hearts concealed.*

*From his sorrowing Mother and father,
brothers and sisters.*

They were not to know that five weeks later their second son would be killed.

A Day of Prayer Saturday, 16 July

All Saints Church, North Runcton will be holding a day of prayer from 10:00 to 4:00 pm led by Catherine Fox and Betty Ellis.

We invite you to come along anytime on that day for as long as you wish to stay, we won't mind if it's for a few minutes or a few hours. We shall be praying for our churches in the area to expand and also taking prayer requests.

If you would like us to pray for someone or something in particular you can call Catherine Fox on 01553 841435 or Betty Ellis on 01553 674286.

There will also be prayer request slips placed in all the churches in our Benefice, you can remain anonymous if you wish - we don't mind but remember WE HAVE A GREAT GOD AND HE ANSWERS PRAYER.

Middleton Parish Council Chairman's Update

by Mick Porter

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on 6 April. This was an opportunity for parishioners to find out what the Parish Council has done in the past year and to hear reports from the clubs and organisations in the parish of Middleton. It was disappointing that only five parishioners turned up to this meeting.

Playing field project: The Council has agreed because of funding issues that there would no longer be a land swap and the creation of an additional car park at the rear of the village hall. The grant when agreed will be spent on additional equipment which will be installed on the playing field. The latest plans and estimate from Wicksteed were considered and it was agreed to proceed. Our application for a grant from WREN will be considered shortly and providing we are successful work could start later this year.

Dyke Issues: There is an issue with the Dyke which abuts the parish land in The Alley. The Council have been advised that silt in the dyke needs removing to ensure a free flow of water. Progress has been made in finding a contractor to remove the silt.

Bus Stop: Norfolk County Council have advised the Parish Council that a temporary bus stop will be located at some time in the future nearer to the churchyard gate on the A47 for the Norwich bus. This is until a possible new site is found for the bus stop. The Parish Council are pursuing an early solution to the problem.

Drainage Problems - Fair Green: NCC are being urged to investigate the drainage problems in Fair Green and take the appropriate action and not wait until there is a flooding problem in the properties. This is ongoing but has the support of Sir Henry Bellingham MP.

Planning Process: The Council discussed the Government's plans to change the planning process, concerns were raised as it seems that the Parish Council will have limited input if the plans are implemented. The Parish Council has responded with a strong objection to the proposed changes.

The Council has agreed to install a dog waste bin near to Middleton Mount.

At our meeting on 4 May, the election of officers and committee for 2016/17 took place. The Chair and Vice Chair will remain the same as 2015/16. The next two Parish Council meetings are scheduled for Wednesday 1 June 2016 and Wednesday 7 July commencing at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

The Parish Notice Board on the green at Blackborough End has had its glass smashed, anyone having information as to who is responsible would they please contact the Parish Clerk, Kate Senter.

All Saints' Church East Winch Explore Your Church Saturday, 9 July, 2-5pm

Dr. Julian Litten will be taking us around All Saints' Church, telling us about the monuments and artefacts in the church. He is a brilliant speaker and truly inspiring, and will be telling us what to look out for as well. So if you want to know more about All Saints', or could apply the knowledge to your own church, please join us. It'll be a gas!

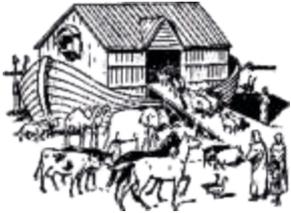
BIBLE STUDY AT CHURCH FARM

On **Tuesday 14th June at 7.00 pm** we meet to continue the study of St Paul's Letter to the Colossians and on **Tuesday 12th July** we are to study the letter to the Philippians.

These sessions take a broad over view of the chosen letter and apply its teaching to our life today. Please come and share your thoughts in our discussions.

5 - A - TIME - QUIZ (answers on Page 19)

1. The cafe has been known as "Social", "Lounge", "Bistro 42". It is now "Mojitos". What is its function?
2. The opera "Tosca" is being performed. Who composed the music?
3. Who wrote the play "The Mousetrap" also being performed in Lynn?
4. Who is Brian Long?
5. Who is the new Norfolk Police and Crime Commissioner?



Noah's Ark Flower Festival at All Saints' Church, East Winch

Friday 17th June to Sunday 19th June

We welcome entries for this fun festival from individuals and organisations. Come and help us recreate God's wonderful animal kingdom with flowers!

Programme

Friday 17th: Flower festival opens from 2-5. At 6 o'clock, the highly regarded musicians Bill and Julie Bones will entertain us over refreshments. Tickets for this event will be sold at the door, cost £8.

Saturday 18th: Open from 10-4.

Sunday 19th: Open from 10-5. Festival Thanksgiving Holy Communion at 6pm.

If you would like to help with church sitting and refreshments, or want further details about displays, please contact Nell Steele 840814.



LOTS GOING ON AT THE MAGPIE CENTRE

Thank you to everyone who supported our Equestrian Table Top Sale and BBQ on 9 April which raised £646.

The next big event in the calendar for the Magpie Centre, home of West Norfolk Riding for the Disabled, is our **Open Day from 11 am to 2 pm on Sunday, 12 June** at Wallington Hall, PE33 0EP. Find us on the A10, about three miles north of Downham Market.

Admission is free, so this is your perfect chance to meet the horses and ponies, plus some of our volunteers, and enjoy watching riding and carriage driving displays. A tombola, games for all ages and pony rides will also be on offer. In addition, we have a delicious BBQ, featuring locally-sourced sausages and burgers, as well as hot and cold drinks and home-made cakes.

For those arranging speakers for clubs and groups, the Magpie Centre has a team of knowledgeable volunteers who can give talks on the history of riding for people with disabilities, the development of the Riding for Disabled movement and current activities of the Magpie Centre. To book a speaker, just call 01553 810202 and leave a message. We do not charge a fee, but a donation to Magpie Centre funds would be appreciated.



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NORTH RUNCTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Copies of the minutes from North Runcton Parish Council meetings are available on the website:

www.northrunctonpc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk.

However, if you would like a paper copy sent in the post then please contact Rachel Curtis – Clerk to North Runcton Parish Council, Tel: 01553 673043.

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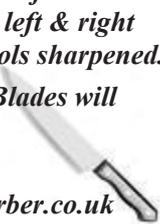
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SIMPLY MIRACULOUS

By Rev. Riaz Mubarak

Miracle — the supernatural intervention of God! All of us have needed a miracle in the past, need one now, or will need of one in the future. So we don't wait until a storm hits to learn how to believe God for a miracle.

We all need a miracle at some time to simply jump-start our faith. If it weren't for miracles, we wouldn't grow to the point where we could walk in the blessings of God. Some believe that God does miracles, but simply believing God is able to do it is not enough. We must know how to receive it. Many people just wish and hope it happens. They think there is no way to grab a hold of miracles and make them happen. That's not what the Bible teaches.

God is predictable and orderly and created this world and everything physical around us, and the physical world is orderly. God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Faith is governed by laws. Romans 3:27 says, *By what law? of works? No: but by faith in God.* "The kingdom of God operates under law. It is consistent. When someone is killed due to the law of gravity, we may wonder why God did that. He didn't, but there are laws that He put in place. Gravity says that if we jump off a building, we will be killed. If we cooperate with God's laws, we will be fine. If we ignore those laws, we can be harmed by the laws intended for our good. It's the same with the spiritual laws of God.

So, how do we receive a miracle from God? We must recognize that miracles are not just hit and miss. We can tap into a miracle. We learn the laws of God and how they work, and miracles will happen. I'm not saying we can push a button and God pops out or we can make God do whatever we want. I'm saying when we believe in God, He turned on all the time and any time. We get turned on; we can see the power of God operate in our life. God always move according to our faith in Christ. He is not only a Great God but also a Loving and a miraculous God.

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THE RETURN OF EJ THE OSPREY

By Pat Lorber

In the midst of all the tragic and destructive human stories emerging out of Brussels at Easter, came a heart-warming and interesting story from the natural world. EJ, the female osprey resident at Loch Garten in the Scottish Highlands, now aged 19 years, arrived back for the thirteenth year in succession, having over-wintered in West Africa.

This remarkable bird has raised 23 chicks at Loch Garten since first visiting in 2003, and then breeding in 2004. She hatched at a nest site in Bridge of Cally, Perthshire, in 1997 and is ringed on both legs, but (unlike the present ringing programme with cuckoos, nightingales, and other small birds) she has never been satellite-tagged. Ospreys usually mate for life, but EJ has had two mates, the latest of which, named Odin, returned a week later. She is sitting on 3 eggs at time of writing, and **can be watched live on the nest throughout the day on the RSPB Loch Garten webcam**. After the breeding season, ospreys fly 3,000 miles (and then 3,000 miles back again in the spring) to over-winter in West Africa.

Ospreys are large fish-eating hawks with a worldwide distribution. They formerly inhabited much of Britain, but heavy persecution, mainly by Victorian egg, skin and feather collectors during the 19th century and early 20th century brought about their extinction as a breeding bird in England. It is generally thought that the species was absent from Scotland from 1916 to 1954, although birds may have continued to breed in Strathspey at isolated sites in the 1930s and 40s. In 1954 Scandinavian birds re-colonised Scotland naturally and a pair has nested successfully almost every year since 1959 at Loch Garten Osprey Centre, in the Abernethy Forest Reserve, which has become one of the most well-known conservation sites in the

UK and has attracted over 2 million visitors since 1959.

The early re-colonisation at Loch Garten was very slow, because of contamination of the food chain by organochlorine pesticides such as DDT and the activities of egg collectors, and reached only 14 pairs by 1976. "Operation Osprey" ensured the security of the birds with the help of volunteers by stopping the mindless and destructive activities of egg collectors which was, and still is, a constant problem.

In 1996, English Nature and Scottish Natural Heritage licensed a project to re-introduce the Osprey to Central England. Over six years, chicks from Scottish nests were moved to the Nature Reserve at Rutland Water in the English Midlands, where they were released. In 1999 some of the translocated birds returned after their migration from Africa and in 2001 the first pair bred.

The spring and autumn migrations to West Africa are fraught with danger, and migrants have to cross dangerous patches of ocean. In some parts of the Mediterranean, especially Malta, Cyprus, Italy and parts of France, people kill huge numbers of migrating birds – large birds like falcons and ospreys are hunted and shot, and small song birds such as wagtails, thrushes, larks and warblers are trapped for food and for the cage bird trade. Many of these birds are protected by law, but it is difficult to stop centuries-old customs and practices. EJ's chicks have to face this dangerous journey entirely on their own – the parents fly south before the chicks - and being young and inexperienced, they often come to grief by flying into power lines, drowning in storms at sea, or being shot.

Their stronghold is still in Scotland, but in addition to Rutland there are now pairs in Kielder Forest, Cumbria, and Wales, and these magnificent birds need all the protection we can provide.

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OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

With Steve Donoclift

Whilst the Swifts screech and soar above and the Martins and Swallows chatter, we are safe in the knowledge that early Summer is upon us. We have all willed it to be here, the longer evenings the lighter mornings. Earlier last month I heard a Cuckoo, however I must admit I have not heard it since. Although I did see only my second Kite in this area (I expect there are more) flying above the woodland near Hillington the other month.

Things are really growing now and it is important to hoe borders, water plants, but use water wisely. Summer baskets always look great, try to source these locally, you won't be disappointed! But remember they do need watering! It is also a time for planting summer bedding plants.

As you know I do tend to leave my garden looking a little 'wild', or as a good friend said it is a 'busy' garden. I have lots of wild flowers that attract the bees from our local bee keepers, amazing little insects, the majority of which are female doing all the hard work - sorry guys it's true! So it is really important to leave some wild areas for our declining bee population. Not just bees but butterflies - nettle patches are fantastic for foraging caterpillars that give us such pleasure in the Summer and early Autumn.

Why did I even say that word??? Let's rewind! It's Summer! Enjoy this beautiful time of year get outside in your gardens. Visit friends, enjoy our wonderful countryside, but above all have fun!

See you soon,
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Steve



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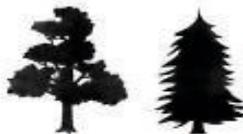


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Due to poor health, I am afraid my input will be almost nil. I believe though that with assistance from our usual very willing helpers and any newcomers we will be able to hold the fete.

Gifts for raffle prizes, games and the following stalls would be greatly appreciated:- cakes & preserves, plants & vegetables, books & bric-a-brac.

In order to make preparations, any help on Friday, July 1st from 2:30 pm would be much appreciated (moving tables, putting up gazebos etc).

We look forward to seeing you again this year.

Hedley Chapman 01553 840854.

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21 June: This an Open Meeting with speaker, John Newmeir on the theme of "The unusual experiences of a Paramedic"

Entrance £2.50 to include a raffle ticket & light refreshments.

Come and join us for an entertaining afternoon, and if you like us perhaps consider joining our very friendly and informal group for future meetings.

For any further information please call Ali South 01553 841267 or Jan Eason 01553 841514.

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**Members' Evening
including contributions from Allan Hale
& Chris Knights**

Tuesday 28th June, 7.30pm

Although described as a NarVOS Members' evening, everyone is welcome. We will have presentations from NarVOS stalwarts Allan Hale (talking about Mediterranean Gulls in Norfolk) and Chris Knights. Also, there will be a presentation about the recent NarVOS trip to Scotland. We invite members and visitors to bring along books, photographs, paintings or anything else of wildlife interest to this informal meeting.

**Bird Ringing
with Chris du Feu**

Tuesday 26th July, 7.30pm

Chris du Feu is the man who last year gave an absolutely fascinating talk about Slugs to NarVOS. If he could captivate his audience on that subject Chris will surely educate and entertain us with this bird ringing topic, and whether re-trapping birds is worth it. Do come along for a great evening.

Visitors most welcome. Admission £2 on the night if you are not a NarVOS member. For more information about these meetings or NarVOS call Ian Black on 01760 724092.

Would you like to publicise your local event in the Parish News?

If so, please send details by e-mail to: editorofparishnews@gmail.com or by phone on 01553 849725. The deadline for the August/September issue is Friday, 15 July.



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An evening buffet will be held on **Wednesday 20th July at the William Burt Social Club, 6.30pm for 7pm** with booking required by Monday 18th July please. Cost £6 per person which includes the buffet and a glass of wine or soft drink.

Please book tickets for both events by contacting Lilian Fisher on 01553 841852 or by email at lilianfisher@talktalk.net.

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1 June: Garden Party, Leziate

6 July: To Be Arranged

Further details from John Turtle (840280) or Pauline Crump (840053).

Lunch Club usually meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at Middleton Hall Golf Club at 12.00 for 12.30pm. For further details contact Olive Turpin 840623.

CARPET BOWLS



Carpet Bowls has a growing following in Middleton and the sessions are open to players from North Runcton as well. Join us at the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Please wear soft flat shoes. More details from Club Secretary, Peter Wall on 840471.

Middleton Badminton Club

Play badminton most Monday evenings (not Bank Holidays) at the Village Hall from 7pm to 9pm. The club is friendly and always welcomes new members. Contact Nigel Gray (01553 841541) for more information.



Cameo Café

This group meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month in Middleton Village Hall from 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm.

Our name derives from Come And Meet Each Other. If you would like a sociable afternoon, chatting, enjoying a cup of tea and cake do give it a try. Our seating arrangements are much improved too!

There is no charge for refreshments but contributions towards expenses are much appreciated.

Hilary Hickman

The **Community Car Scheme** is to help villagers who have no transport, who are elderly or disabled to attend at local doctors' or dentists' surgeries, opticians, health clinics or to keep hospital appointments. A small charge is made to cover petrol expenses. If you require help or further information, or if you wish to volunteer help in any way, please contact Colin Skipper on 842448.

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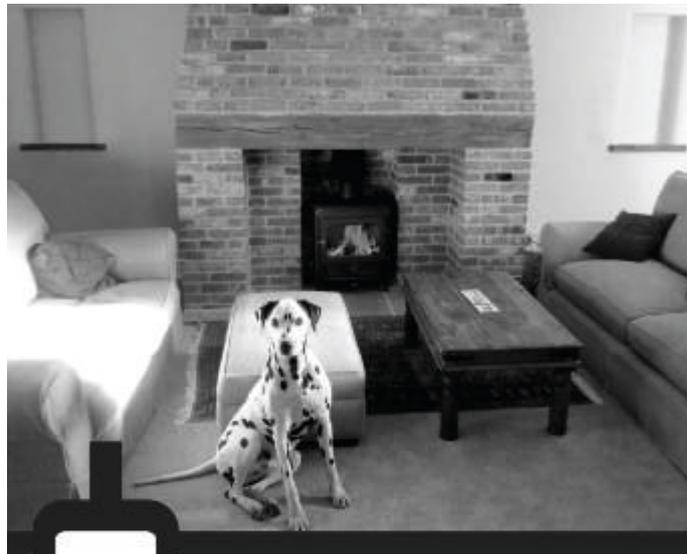
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Saturday, 11 June

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Sunday, 12 June

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.30am **E Winch Village Hall** Family Service

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

6.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Prayer

Thursday, 16 June

10.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

Sunday, 19 June

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Worship

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Prayer

6.00pm **E Winch** Holy Communion

Sunday, 26 June

8.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.00am **W Winch** Morning Worship

10.30am **E Winch** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

6.00pm **N Runcton** Holy Communion

Sunday, 3 July

10.00am **N Runcton** Benefice Eucharist

Saturday, 9 July

2 - 4pm, **W Winch School**, Messy Church

Sunday, 10 July

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.30am **E Winch Village Hall** Family Service

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

6.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Prayer

Sunday, 17 July

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Worship

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Prayer

6.00pm **E Winch** Holy Communion

Sunday, 24 July

8.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.00am **W Winch** Morning Worship

10.30am **E Winch** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

6.00pm **N Runcton** Holy Communion

Sunday, 31 July

10.00am **E Winch** Benefice Eucharist

Sunday, 7 August

10.00am **N Runcton** Benefice Eucharist

Morning Worship is held each Wednesday morning at 9.30am in Middleton Church and every Thursday morning at 10.00am in West Winch Church.



Mothers' Union News

Hello again from the Mothers Union. I hope you enjoyed our few days of summer so far!

Our meetings are now normally on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm at Church Farm.

However, instead of an evening meeting on **Tuesday, 21 June**, we will be enjoying our Quiet Day. This will be held at Church Farm from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm and will be led by Rev. James Nash. The day is one of study, meditation, prayer and a Holy Communion service in peace and quiet away from the pressures of everyday life. Lunch is simple soup and bread and cheese with fruit.

The meeting on **Tuesday, 19 July** is a Garden Meeting with bring and share supper and a Bring and Buy Sale in aid of MU funds which provide holidays for families in difficult circumstances with very low incomes, where a time away as a family might make a significant difference in their problems. The meeting is at 7.30 pm at Dane House.

If you would like to come to any of our meetings you will be made very welcome indeed.

Hilary Hickman

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Future dates: **6 August, 3 September**.

5 - A - TIME ANSWERS (from Page 4)

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2. Puccini
3. Agatha Christie
4. New leader of West Norfolk Council
5. Lorne Green

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