

# Isolation Times



REEPHAM & WENSUM VALLEY  
TEAM CHURCHES



6th September 2020—Edition 22

Attlebridge/Alderford ♦ Bylaugh ♦ Elsing ♦ Gt & Lt Witchingham ♦ Lyng ♦ Reepham ♦ Salle ♦ Sparham ♦ Swannington ♦ Thurning ♦  
Weston Longville ♦ Wood Dalling

On Tuesday 1st September Rev'd Helen became Team Rector, Rev'd Keith became Team Vicar and Rev'd Judith was welcomed officially as our Honorary Assistant Priest.

We were joined at St Mary's, Reepham by The Rt Rev Jonathan Meyrick, Bishop of Lynn, The Venerable Ian Bentley, Archdeacon of Lynn and The Very Reverend Jane Hedges, Dean of Norwich Cathedral for the commissioning service as well as a small socially distanced group of parishioners and church wardens. It was a lovely service and reminded us of how blessed we are to have so many strengths and talents within our ministry team and across our benefice.

For those of you who may not have met Rev'd Judith yet, here are a few lines from Judith about her previous work.

*"I moved to Reepham with my husband Rufus in 2018, having retired from full time stipendiary ministry, firstly as a curate in Essex and then as an incumbent of five parishes in Suffolk. This followed a 25 year career in librarianship and specialist information work in local government. I am now only semi-retired (!) having joined the Ministry Team as Honorary Associate Priest. This means I'm "on duty" and available to assist Revds Helen and Keith and other Ministry Team members in the benefice for three days a week, usually Friday, Saturday and Sunday. As well as taking some Sunday services, and providing holiday cover for Keith and Helen, I sometimes takes funerals and other occasional offices and offers pastoral care and support, particularly in Reepham."*



## Norfolk Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride 2020

Next Saturday 12th September sees the return of the NCT Sponsored Bike Ride.

At a time when churches across the county are seeing a reduction in donations, it is a brilliant opportunity to raise money for your church as well as visiting wonderful places of worship and enjoying the glorious Norfolk countryside.

There are a few groups from our benefice who cycle each year, however you can also walk or drive between churches too. For more information, please see the website <https://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride/taking-part/> or contact Rupert [Rupert@birtles.me.uk](mailto:Rupert@birtles.me.uk). Good luck to all those taking part.. Remember Norfolk is flat (until you are on a bike!)

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Our churches are open for private prayer at the following times:

Private Prayer	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Alderford	Currently Closed						
Attlebridge	9-5			9-5			
Bylaugh	Open By Appointment						
Elsing				9-5			9-5
Gt Witchingham			10-4				
Lyng			9-5				9-5
Reepham			9-5			9-5	
Salle	9-5				9-5		
Sparham							9-5
Swannington	10-1				2-5		
Thurning			10-4			10-4	
Weston Longville			10-4				
Wood Dalling	Currently closed due to planned building works						

### **Morning and Evening Prayer returns to Reepham**

As we gradually return to a more recognisable pattern of worship, we will be resuming Morning and Evening Prayer in St Michael's Chancel, Reepham from September.

Morning Prayer using the Celtic Liturgy will be held at 8am on Monday to Thursday in St Michael's Chancel.

Evening Prayer using the Celtic Liturgy will be held at 6pm on Monday-Wednesday in St Michael's Chancel and on Zoom at 6pm on Thursday evenings.

Everyone is welcome to join us for these short services which offer a space a space at the beginning and end of your day to pause and be with God.

### **Romans 13:8-14** A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbour as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.

For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

### **Gospel Matthew 18:15-20** Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus spoke to his disciples. "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

There are still spaces available for the **Bible Engagement Training on Tuesday 8th September** in St Michael's, Reepham from 1pm-4pm. Please email Annabel asap if you would like to attend.

