

Saturday 26th June—Sparham Garden Party, 2pm next to St Mary's Church. Everyone is welcome to join us for delicious homemade teas, games and sideshows, plants and cakes to buy - see RWV website for more details.

Sunday 4th July— We are having a Welcome Picnic in the green space of Reepham churchyard after the Sunday Service to welcome our new curate Richard Turk, his wife Laura and their children Hannah and Jacob to the Benefice. Please do pop along and say hello. We hold the family in our prayers and hope for a smooth transition as they move to Lyng this week.

Sunday 4th July –There will be a Guided Walk in Lyng to raise money for St Margaret's Church. The walk will start at 3pm at Collin Green Farm, Lyng NR9 5LH . The walk will end with a substantial tea at the village hall at 4pm. Everyone is welcome to join us for tea. Adults £7 Children £3.50

Save the date! Saturday 31st July—Elsing Fun Day! Car boot from 9am, dog show, fete, teas, evening entertainment & more! See RWV website for further details. Contact Di Skipper via email: tdskipper@btconnect.com for car boot pitches.

Save the date! Following our successful **Away Day** in 2018, we are planning our next one on Saturday 23rd October 2021. Venue TBC and dependent on Covid Restrictions.



Pump up your tyres, dust off your walking boots, pack a picnic and plan a route from your own door to visit as many of the most beautiful churches in Norfolk as you can. *PLUS you can join with others in your parish to win £1,000 for your church by becoming the parish with the most improved amount of money raised. Simply get sponsored for each building you visit or make a donation - find out more at norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride



REEPHAM & WENSUM VALLEY
TEAM CHURCHES

Pew Notes

Sunday 6th June (1st Sunday after Trinity)

9am	Salle	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Reepham	Morning Worship
10.30am	Elsing	Holy Communion
10.30am	Sparham	OASIS
10.30am	Weston Longville	Holy Communion

Wonder On Wednesdays

Join us for our weekly "gathering" for those who wish to discuss and dig a little deeper into topics around Christianity.

We are discussing what Thy Kingdom Come means nationally, globally and what we can learn from it. You can learn more about it at www.thykingdomcome.global

Please join us every Wednesday on Zoom from 7pm to 8pm.

Zoom meeting ID: 836 9720 0393 Password: 102113 Everyone is welcome.

Sunday 13th June (2nd Sunday after Trinity)

9am	Bylaugh	Holy Communion (BCP)
9am	Thurning	Holy Communion
10.30am	Elsing	Word and Praise
10.30am	Reepham	Holy Communion
10.30am	Great Witchingham	Holy Communion

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Pew Notes are available to download from the RWV website and the E-newsletter

**Words of Light and Hope from
Tony Hawes.**

On 9th June the Church remembers St. Columba, Abbot of Iona, Missionary (521-597).

He was a brilliant organiser, poet, song-writer and prophet, spreading the Gospel to Scotland and beyond.

The following words are attributed to Columba:

“Alone with none but you, my God,
I journey on my way.
What need I fear, when you are
near, O King of night and day?”

More safe am I within your hand
than if a host did round me stand.
My life I yield to your command,
and bow to your control in peaceful
calm, for from your arm no power
can snatch my soul.

Could earthly foes ever appal a soul
that heeds the heavenly call?

Let me bless almighty God,
whose power extends over sea and
land, and whose angels watch over
all.

Let me study sacred books to calm
my soul. I pray for peace, kneeling at
heaven's gates.

Let me do my daily work, gathering
seaweed, catching fish, giving food
to the poor.

Let me say my daily prayers,
sometimes chanting, sometimes
quiet, always thanking God.

Delightful it is to live on a peaceful
isle, in a quiet cell, serving the King
of kings.

Prayer

Kindle in us, O God,
the flame of that love which never
ceases,
that it may burn in us, giving light to
others.
May that light, which shone so
brightly in Columba,
take away the darkness of our
hearts,
and bring us to share with him
the light of the eternal city. Amen.

Mark 3:20-end *Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” – for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Coffee Mornings in St Michael’s, Reepham will hopefully return in the next few weeks, initially outside until Covid restrictions are lifted. We need volunteers to work in teams of two to serve drinks and biscuits. If you are interested please contact Ron 01603871726 or pop in to the Spar shop for more information. Posts are subject to DBS checks.



Christian Aid Update: Well done to Pam Smith of Swannington who smashed her “300,000 steps in May” target to achieve 446,719 steps by 31st May.

Thank you to everyone who supported Pam’s challenge which raised £500 for Christian Aid.

