

GREAT FINBOROUGH NEWSLETTER



**October 2017
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VILLAGE DIARY – OCTOBER

9	9.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning Chestnut Horse
12	7.30pm	Garden Club, Pettiward Hall
16	7.30pm	Parish Council, Pettiward Hall
19	8pm	Quiz Night, Chestnut Horse
27	4.10-4.30pm	Mobile Library, Oak Close
28	7.30pm	Autumn Supper, Pettiward Hall
28	7.30pm	Buxhall quiz night, Buxhall village Hall
2,9, & 16	6pm	Brownies

Village Diary - November

7	9.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning Chestnut Horse
9	7.30pm	Garden Club, Pettiward Hall
11	tbc	Charity Christmas Fayre
13	7.30pm	Parish council, Pettiward Hall
16	8pm	Quiz Night, Chestnut Horse
18	tbc	Pre-school shopping & photo morning
23	4.10-4.30pm	Mobile Library, Oak Close
6,13,20 & 27	6pm	Brownies

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2017

16 October
13 November
7.30pm in Pettiward Hall

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Editorial

The Autumn is fast approaching after some reasonably good summer weather this year. Time to check the oil tank and the log store in preparation for the colder weather to come. Cheer up I am only joking it's not going to be that bad.

Simon is just back from Continental Europe after his latest visit, apparently there were still one or two niggling Brexit problems still to be resolved. For those who can remember that far back I offered a bottle of wine for the most mistakes identified in the July/August edition of the newsletter. Nobody entered, which surprised me somewhat, so the 1979 bottle of Chateau Lafite has been carefully returned to the cellar.

The builders are making good progress with the installation of the toilet and kitchenette at **St Andrews Church**, the outside work has been completed and the internal work is well underway, the project is on target to be completed by 28 October. St Andrews church will be holding its Autumn supper on the 28 October in Pettiward Hall, it will be a fun night with excellent food. See page 16

The **Defibrillator** is on order and should be installed in the old phone box in the next few weeks, a huge thank you to the **National Lotteries Big Lottery Fund** for the grant to make this possible.

Two other projects which have been sanctioned by the Parish Council are the provision of **speed indicator device**, which has been part funded from the locality budgets of Penny Otton and John Matthissen. Secondly, improvements to the parking area in Church Road. For more details see Parish Council matters on page 4.

The deadline for items for the November newsletter is 15 October. If you have any items to include, please contact Simon Tarabella or Peter Turner, or drop in to Maple Lodge; kettle is always on.

Parish Council Matters

Extracts from the Parish Council meeting held on the 11 September.

Clerks report – The grit bin for the primary school triangle has been delivered and the contribution from Cllr Otton banked.

MSDC annual external playground inspection has been carried out and we await their report. Interim playground checks are being carried out by Cllrs Tarabella and Turner with records kept by the clerk

Inconsiderate drivers parking in Valley Lane have been asked to refrain from damaging the verges and pull in. SCC Highways have agreed to repair the existing damage and erect some “passing only” signs.

Provision of Defibrillator – It was noted that the contractor engaged to clean the phone box has promised this will be carried out by next week. It was confirmed that the equipment had been ordered and the installation will be carried out by Community Heartbeat trust as soon as possible. Training sessions and a resident awareness programme will be arranged once the equipment has been installed.

Provision of Speed Indicator Device – The SCC site survey and approvals was noted. It was agreed to action 9 sites approved. Site no. 2 has existing solar speed indicator device and it was agreed that this should remain therefore this post cannot be used for the new mobile device. It was resolved to purchase the Tempodis 230 Si from Radarlux as quoted at 2710 euros, a British stockist will be sought before placing an order from Germany.

Church Road parking improvements – SCC Highways have visited the site and given support for the improvements with a recommendation that bull nose edging is use where the area abuts the highway. Zoey Banthorpe at MSDC has confirmed that S106 money would not be available to help funding. Following discussion and consideration of the budget, funding and quotes for the improvement to the parking area in Church road it was resolved to engage The Earth tree Company to carry out the tree work and D J Haill to lay tarmac and bull nose edging. The total cost of this work not exceed £5400 under this resolution.

The next Parish Council will be held 16 October

Paula Gladwell, Parish Clerk

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Tues 10 Oct Coffee Morning 9.30am-11.30am

Thurs 19 Oct Quiz Night 8pm



News from your District Councillor - John Matthissen

Health walks

Even if you have not been prescribed a routine of health walks by your doctor, a stroll round our villages is always rewarding. In the Crown in Buxhall you can check out a copy (if you don't already have one) of Malcolm Manning's handy guide to all the footpaths in the village and choose a route to suit. In Great Finborough the most straightforward option is to go along the High Road to Pear Tree Place and walk through Woodpecker Hill and the football pitch until you reach Valley Lane, then follow Valley Lane back to the Chestnut Horse and thus complete the circuit. Onehouse has a map of its footpaths on the wall of the Community Centre in Forest Road with Northfield Woods the nearby starting point for various routes. At the Chilton playing field there is an outdoor gym if you are looking for more vigorous exercise.

Food banks

The school holidays always lead to extra demand on the stocks of food banks, so please spare a thought next time you are shopping, and drop an item or two into the trolleys at most local supermarkets or the boxes at almost all local churches.

Local Plan

A first draft of the new Local Plan is now available for public comment until November 10th. This will be a very important document for the future of our villages so I encourage everyone to have a look at the issues and questions that are set out, as well as the maps of each village showing parcels of land that are being considered for possible future development over the next twenty years. Across the District not all of these will be approved for the final document so your views at this stage may have an influence. It is important to understand that Government is requiring villages to say where they would like development rather than merely saying they do not want development. This is in line with Government's directive for Neighbourhood Plans, which are currently being worked on by at least fifteen villages in Mid Suffolk. The Local Plan documents, available at www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/jointlocalplan contain numerous questions but from my long experience of consultation documents there is a tendency to constrain views within a convenient

framework. I would urge everyone responding to go beyond the questions if necessary to ensure your views are fully expressed. If you can't find anywhere to submit what you want to say, please email me directly and I will ensure that your views are included.

To get in touch councillor@matthissen.net 01449 258894 or write to me – John Matthissen, 2 Brick Kiln Cottages, Barretts Lane, Needham Market. IP6 8RZ

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John Matthissen

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The Post Box in Combs Lane (next to Wash Lane) was stolen around the 30/31 August, if anyone saw anything suspicious I am sure the police would welcome a call. The post office has replaced it and to my knowledge it is back in service.

The Pettiward Hall

“Little Ernie”

The winners of the September lottery were Jenny Lucas and Victoria Godfrey. They each received £8.75.

Community Rooms

The refurbishment of the first-floor rooms is nearly complete. We now have a disabled toilet and new floor coverings and new heaters in the meeting room. The stair lift will be installed on 25 October. The rooms are suitable for small meetings and classes, staff training etc. and hire charges start from £5 per hour. Please contact me for further details. We are grateful to The Big Lottery Fund, The Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation and Mid Suffolk District Council for funding the work.

Pop-up Tea Room

Just a reminder that the last tea room for the time being will “pop up” on Friday, 29 September from 2.30pm-4.00pm. A drink and piece of cake is £2 per adult and £1 per child. Left over cake will be available to buy at the end of the session.

Keep Fit

Don't forget there are two types of keep fit sessions at the hall. Yoga is on a Monday afternoon and Totally Shredded drum and base workouts are on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. Please contact the instructors if you are interested in attending. Yoga: Sue Murray (07760669466 or shmurray_shm@yahoo.co.uk); Totally Shredded: Linzi and Kelly (07515807870 or shreddedstowmarket@gmail.com).

Dance Classes

New dance classes for children aged three and over will be starting on 5 October. Ballet and street dance will be offered. For further information please contact Sara-Anne Southgate on 07875129359.

Mary Preece

WILD BIRD SEED

The next order will be placed on October 13th and will be available for collection from Abbey Farm Cottage, Buxhall Rd. Great Finborough after 2-00pm on Wednesday 18th

If you would like to place an order please let me have your requirements together with a cheque to "Great Finborough Garden Club", it is also essential that I have your telephone number so that I can advise you if there is a problem with seed collection on the 18th

Orders may be posted to or dropped off at Abbey Farm Cottage (IP14 3AU), or if it's more convenient dropped off at either 1, Valley Lane, Gt. Finborough or 8, High Rd and must be received by Wednesday 12th

Product	Weight	Price	
Wild Bird Mix	20 kg	£9-50	
W.B.M. Premium	20kg	£11-50	
W.B.M No Wheat	20kg	£13-50	
W.B.M NEW High Energy	12.75 kg	£12-00	
W.B.M. No Mess	15kg	£14-50	
W.B.M Robin & Songbird	12.75 kg	£13-00	
Finch Mix	20 kg	£11-50	
Mixed Corn	20 kg	£8-00	
SUPER Poultry Mix	20kg	£9-00	
Peanuts (superior quality)	25 kg	£33-00	
Peanuts (half sack)	12.5 kg approx.	£17-50	
Black Sunflower Seed	15 kg	£11-50	
Sunflower Kernels	20 kg	£22-50	
Sunflower Kernels	10kg approx.	£12-00	
Niger Seed	20kg	£26-00	
Niger Seed	10kg approx.	£13-50	
Fat Balls (any quantity)	Price each	11p	

Please Note. The next seed order will be placed in December

Thank You, **John Davey**



An update from pre-school, we hope all our children that have gone off to school are having a wonderful time. We would like to say a big thank you for all our lovely thank you cards and presents.

Just before our summer break we held our sports day and cream tea event, which was very busy and enjoyed by all, thank you to all who came. Over the

summer break we had a revamp of our pre-school, everywhere was newly painted, our toilet area redecorated and a lovely new floor throughout and a new trellis on our outside area, everywhere is looking lovely. A big thank you to all who helped with our fund raising over the last two years as this has enabled us to do all this work and buy new IT equipment including tablets for the children and staff and a new computer, a big thank you for all your support.

This term our theme is animals, under the sea, mini beasts and dinosaurs, pets and zoo, we will be finding out the different names, where they live and the noises they make.

The children have already started to look at under the sea creatures, we have looked at everything from penguins to octopus, puffer fish to turtles. And best of all we get to play in the water which we always enjoy. We will also be going on walks to look for mini beasts and signs of autumn.

If you have a child age two to school age that you think would like to join in with the fun we have, we have a few spaces left, please see who's who to get in touch for a chat to find out more or arrange a visit. All 4-year old's are grant funded and 3-year old's the term after they turn 3.

Dates for your diary – 18th November- Shopping, Fun and Photo's (with Spencer Brown photography)

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Please pick up after your dog.



One day Tom, Dickie and Harriet and all their friends from pre-school decided to go on a bear Hunt.

They were very excited, they got ready and off they went.

We're going on a bear hunt.

We're going to catch a big one.

What a beautiful day!

We're not scared.

Oh-oh

Oh-oh Miss, Tom's stood in some doggy poop and Dickie and Harriet tried to help him and have touched it.

We're **not** going on a bear hunt.

We're **not** going to catch a big one.

It's **not** a beautiful day.

We're **sad**.

Oh-oh

Oh-oh we've got to go back to pre-school all because someone couldn't be bothered to pick up after their dog.

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Parish Council



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From the Rectory October 2017

I was standing in a churchyard yesterday with some family who were about to bury the ashes of their mother who had reached the age of 95. We ruminated on her long life, the fact that it had been 9 months since she died and how *time* 'seemed to fly' these days. As we stood near the graves of so many people they knew and a fair few I remembered – we wondered about *time* and how although it goes at the same speed now as it always has, it doesn't seem to - does it? Perhaps it's a consequence of aging but *time* seems to go so quickly for many of us.



A couple of years ago Wendy and I visited the Salvador Dali museum in Figueras northern Spain. I bought a couple of his prints. One of them I particularly like is of a clock face that is somehow stretched irregularly over the edge of a table. It gives the impression of *time* being fluid. I am sure we can all think of occasions when time has seemed to go so slowly, waiting for an appointment, listening to someone talk, recuperating following an illness and then again other times when it has gone like lightning - enjoying a meal with friends, a holiday, listening to someone talk.

But back to the churchyard and we wondered about the sense of *time* that mother had in her life. We cannot possibly know, but we do know that it seems that people of her generation appeared to have more of it. I wonder if that has always been so? Perhaps it is because they did less than us and certainly many had far less opportunity. There was little ability to go far and certainly much less chance to learn or engage and build a better life.

The schools are back and well and truly into the swing of it, the farms are busy, the holidays and restful times are over for many, but however *time* seems to you, I hope and pray that you will use it to your advantage especially the quiet times to perhaps just sit and let the mind swirl with what it has picked up in the busier times – then great thoughts sometimes come – as to how we might use the time left to us in our lives.

Rev Chris

PARISH REGISTER

St Mary's, Buxhall

Weddings

Sam Gary BOBBY and Victoria Louise FOSKER
26 August 2017



Thomas William JOST and Charlotte June SMITH
2 September 2017

Baptisms

Amelia Iris MATTHEWS
13 August
DOB: 27 February 2017
Parent: Vicki MATTHEWS

Amelia CLARK
20 August
DOB: 10 October 2010
Parents: Matthew Edward CLARK and Tiffany Roxanne CLARK

St Andrew's, Gt Finborough

Funerals

Elizabeth Rosemary WALKER
Died 6 August 2017 aged 79
Funeral service at Seven Hills Crematorium on Friday 18 August 2017

Kenneth Richard WALKER
Died 10 August 2017 aged 83
Funeral service at Seven Hills Crematorium on Friday 18 August 2017

St John the Baptist, Onehouse

Funerals

Victor Paul BENNETT
Died 4 August 2017 aged 72
Funeral service at St John the Baptist on Thursday 24 August 2017

*Following last year's sell-out Orient Express themed 'journey',
this year..... we're going back to the 1970's!!*

Remember Tom & Barbara, Jerry & Margo... Glam rock, flower power... Berni Inns, Double Diamond, Blue Nun, Noilly Prat – and soda syphons! ... and the music of Simon & Garfunkel, the Carpenters, Elton John - and Stevie Wonder when he was no longer 'little'?

Take yourself back in time – and buy your tickets without delay!

Retro, Good Life evening

Saturday 28th October 7.30pm
Tickets £10

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Raising funds for St Andrew's church

MESSY CHURCH at St Andrew's Church, Gt. Finborough

**Sunday: 8th October 12th November &
10th December 2017**

3pm to 5pm

Crafts – Games – Worship – Food – Fun

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Come along and join the fun – all ages welcome and a safe place for the teeny weeny ones to get involved as well

Adults must be accompanied by a child!



Saturday 21 October 2017

Annual Supporters Day for St Andrew's Church.



Supporters Day provides everyone in the village with the opportunity to acknowledge what an important part of the village amenities the Church is.

Regardless of faith, St Andrews is a splendid building and an enriching feature of village life. Whether you attend for regular or occasional worship, have a child at either of the village schools who visits for services and assemblies throughout the year or participate in a ceremony that is meaningful to you, personally, such

as baptism, marriage or paying tribute to a departed family member or friend of a funeral service.

For many, St Andrew's serene tranquility provides both comfort and reflection, whether visiting the graveside of a deceased loved one or simply enjoying a wonderful traditional view when you walk past. I hope you can see that the church extends to most of us in some way and is an asset to the community.

You may be surprised to learn that the full cost of running and maintaining the church together with a contribution to the cost of the priest, must be met **entirely** from fundraising efforts by the village. Maintaining St Andrew's remains a challenge and without the kind support of the village and Friends it's future cannot be assured.

The programme of work over the last two years means that the fabric of St Andrew's is now in much better shape. Work on the installation of the loo is nearing completion and will mean greater opportunity for use of the church as an amenity.

Please try to help in some way, either by visiting the church between 09:30 – 12:30pm on Saturday 21 October 2017 to donate in person, or if you prefer to donate by post to Andrew Robinson, Treasurer, 30 Willow Close, Great Finborough IP14 3BF.

Please make cheques payable to 'St Andrew's Church'.

Separately, if you would like to help through the gift of your time, then all through the year there is help needed with the maintenance of the church, such as cutting grass, cleaning etc.; please contact Tim Hines Tel. 07806 559499; or email timothyhines57@msn.com.

To Remember a Loved One...

Our annual Opportunity to come together in church specifically for this purpose with others who have been bereaved will be on Sunday 29th October at St Mary's Buxhall at 6.30pm. This is for all the parishes and regardless of whether the service was in a Crematorium or church, recently or many years ago. All will be welcome and the names of those who have died in the past 3 years in these parishes will be read together with any others you would like added. Those additional names should be emailed to me at revccchilds@aol.com telephoned to 01449 673280 or given to me on a piece of paper please personally or through the Rectory door. At the service, there will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of the loved one. There is plenty of space and parking with good facilities at Buxhall and the postcode is IP14 3DY

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SUFFOLK APPLE CAKE

Method:

Pre-heat the oven to 165°C or gas mark 4.

Grease and line a 20cm cake tin.

- 1. Peel and slice the cooking apples into eighths and mix with the caster sugar. Cook in a pan over a medium heat until soft but still whole.
Leave to cool.**
- 2. When cool, chop the cooked apples roughly into 2cmdice and combine with the flour and spices in a large mixing bowl.**
- 3. Meanwhile combine the margarine and brown sugar in the bowl of a mixer and beat at a medium speed until very pale and fluffy.**
- 4. Beat the eggs together and, with the mixer still running, slowly combine the eggs with the margarine/sugar mixture.**
- 5. Fold in the apple and flour mix and transfer to your lined cake tin.**

Ingredients

500g cooking apple, 50g caster suger,300g cooking margarine,300g flour,300g of light brown sugar,6 free range eggs (room temp.)2g of cinnamon & 2g ground mixed spice.

Topping

150g eating apples, 50g oats, 25g cooking margarine & 25g caster sugar.

For the topping

- 1. Peel and slice the eating apples into small pieces and caramelize them in a pan over a medium heat using a little butter and sugar.**
- 2. Combine the oats, margarine and sugar to form a crumble mixture.**
- 3. Decorate the top of the cake with slices of apple (one per slice) and crumble mixture.**

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Great Finborough & District Garden Club

This summer has been a traditional mixture of weather finishing with some very dry and sunny days. Also, the time has come to start the autumn tidy up of the beds (when the rain finally arrives to soften the ground), tidy/prune and feed those specimens remaining and to plan the spring bulb displays. The September meeting saw us welcome Peter Miller from Kings Seeds, Peter gave a fascinating talk about the history of Kings and the workings of the seed world, with lots of useful information on general propagation as well as telling us how to get the very best from sweet peas. The next meeting will be on the 12th October at the usual time of 7.30PM in the Upper room of the Pettward Hall, and will feature Andrew Brogan who founded Henstead Hardy Exotic Garden. He will let us in on the secrets of growing exotic plants in the UK and how to manage without taking them undercover for the winter. Finally, if you are interested in joining the Garden Club or would like to join us for any event you will be very welcome. Membership is only £15.00 per household per year or £2.50 for an individual session. For further information contact either: John Davey on 674401 or john@abbeyclassics.co.uk or Judith Cameron on 672978 or judyandian@btinternet.com

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Buxhall & Gt Finborough O'60's Candlestick Club

Club members enjoyed the final outing of 2017 with a day trip to Frinton, together with Onehouse, Harleston and Shelland. Well over 40 members boarded the coach and spent their time strolling down the main street, having a spot of lunch and with a walk along the promenade, a good day out was had by all. The October meeting is on Thursday 5th October commencing at 2.00pm in Buxhall Village Hall. It takes the form of Bring, Buy and Bingo. It is the only fund-raising event of the year so members please support it. Bring something to sell and also buy something. Bingo takes up the rest of the afternoon as a little bit of fun. Advance notice of the November meeting, we have been able to book Brian Gooderham to come and show his slides of Suffolk villages of years past. A very interesting talk not to be missed.

New members are always welcome, please ring **Keith 736598**

BUXHALL QUIZ NIGHT

The Autumn Fun Quiz will be held in Buxhall Village Hall on Saturday 28th October starting at 7.30pm. £3.00 per person, please bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles. To book you or your team in please ring Mim/Keith by Friday 27th October on 736598. Any draw prizes will be greatly appreciated. All proceeds in aid of Hall finds. **Keith Proctor**

Chernobyl Children's Life Line & charity Shop

I have just returned from our weeklong "goodwill Mission" to Belarus. Of the 20 people on the trip 7 came from Mid Suffolk. Everyone agreed without doubt; "no words, photographs or videos can truly give you the real picture". All who took part enjoyed the trip although at times it was emotionally hard but still very rewarding. One of our group was only 12 years old but she was a great part of the team, joining in everything and helping wherever she could. Everyone commented what an amazing attitude she had and as we restructure and redefine our itinerates we hope that more young people will want to join us in the future. These are some of the main points of this year's trip"

In Minsk, we visited the Children's Cancer Hospital, the No 1 Baby Home and the Early Intervention Centre for young children.

Moving on to Stolin we met with the officers of the Education Department who explained to the group how vital the work of the Charity is in helping the

children of their area. Then onto the children's department of the local hospital delivering vital items of medical equipment and aid, things that we take for granted will be in hospitals but they have in either very limited quantities or not at all. Later the group was divided into "working parties" who visited with local families, offering their services to help them and to learn the reality of life in Belarus. We all had different tasks assigned and how different from the UK. Having to borrow a knife from a neighbour as there was only one in the house, cutting wallpaper with kids scissors and using a child's bed as a paste table, knocking up a "table" from odd wood and bits and pieces to be used to stand on to reach the windows to be washed, these are just some examples of the resourcefulness of the people when they have nothing else available.

Onwards to Yaglavichi Village meeting with Father Vitali the Priest who is spearheading "Project Share" in conjunction with our Charity. This is a declared "clean area" so facilitates the building of a respite facility to allow children not well enough or able to travel for a variety of reasons so that they may enjoy the same benefits of respite that the children who come to the UK do. This also presents volunteering opportunities for anyone interested in getting involved. We also had the privilege of being invited to attend the opening ceremony which takes place at the beginning of each new school year. This known as "First Bell" and is a very old tradition in Belarus where the pupils in their final year welcome the newcomers to the school. We donated stationery to the school and this was met with tremendous gratitude. The Headmaster had placed a box in the school hall inviting anyone to donate items to help those children who could not provide their own equipment, when we arrived it held 3 or 4 items, when we left it was overflowing! Further visits were made to other facilities again to donate much needed aid and provide support for the children.

Four children will travel to the UK for a group visit in December. The girls will be touch with me as soon as possible as we need to start organising this now as aged between 9 and 12 years so we are very keen to receive donations of clothing to provide for them whilst they are here and to take home with them. Not only will the break be invaluable to their health, getting them away from the severe winter but they will also get to experience Christmas in the UK!

For some of the less fortunate children we encountered on our travels we are again going to try to match them up with people in the UK who would like to send them a present at Christmas. Details and photographs of each child will be supplied together with a list of suggested small gifts. If you would like to be involved in this part of our program please get in it can take from 4 to 8 weeks for parcels to get to the children

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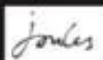
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1 October: Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00 am	Holy Communion	Little Finborough
9.30 am	Sung Eucharist	Buxhall
11.00 am	Worship and Messy Church	Combs
11.00am	Harvest Festival	Onehouse
3.00 pm	Harvest Festival	Shelland
6.30 pm	Evensong	Great Finborough

8 October: Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Shelland
9.30 am	Matins	Buxhall
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Combs
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Great Finborough
3.00 pm	Harvest Festival	Harleston
3.00 pm	Evensong	Little Finborough
3.00 pm	Messy Church	Great Finborough

15 October: Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00 am	Holy Communion	Little Finborough
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Harleston
9.30 am	Matins	Shelland
11.00 am	Family Communion	Combs
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Great Finborough
6.30 pm	Evensong for St Luke	Buxhall

22 October: Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Buxhall
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Combs
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Onehouse
11.00 am	Morning Worship	Great Finborough
3.00 pm	Evensong	Little Finborough

29 October: Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

11.00 am	Benefice Holy Communion	Little Finborough
11.00 am	Benefice Holy Communion	Onehouse
6.30 pm	Remembering the Departed	Buxhall
A service for all seven parishes		

5 November: All Saints Sunday

9.00 am	Holy Communion	Little Finborough
9.30 am	Sung Eucharist	Buxhall
9.30 am	Reflective Morning Prayer	Shelland
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Onehouse
11.00 am	Worship and Messy Church	Combs
6.30 pm	Evensong	Great Finborough

CHURCH SERVICES IN THE BENEFICES FOR October 2017

We meet for

Morning Prayer	10.00 am on Saturdays at St. Mary's, Combs (Lady Chapel)
Holy Communion	9.30 am on Wednesday at St. John the Baptist, Onehouse
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