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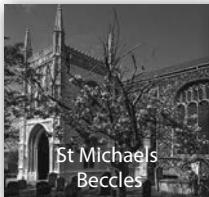
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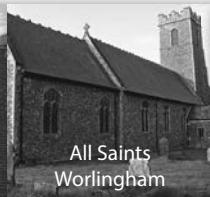
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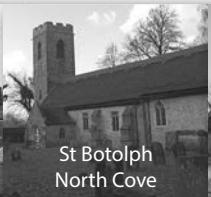
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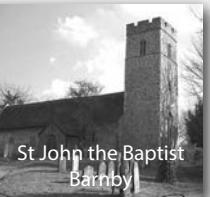
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March 1st		2nd Sunday of Lent	
Beccles St Michaels	9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev Dimitri Theulings Rev Peter Langford
Beccles St Lukes	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Phil Cudmore
NorthCove	10.30 am	Morning Worship	Rev Philip Merry
Beccles St Michaels	10.30 am	GATHER	Rev Dimitri Theulings
Worlingham	2.30 pm	Wild Church	Ministry Team
March 8th		3rd Sunday of Lent	
Beccles St Michaels	9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev Dimitri Theulings
Beccles St Lukes	9.30 am	Morning Worship	Faith Darch
Beccles St Michaels	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Dimitri Theuling
Beccles St Michaels	5.30 pm	IGNITE	Ministry Team
March 15th		Mothering Sunday	
Beccles St Michaels	9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Bishop Gavin Reid
Beccles St Lukes	9.30 am	Family Communion	Rev Dimitry Theulings
North Cove	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Phil Cudmore
Beccles St Michaels	10.30 am	Morning Worship	Bishop Gavin Reid
March 22nd		5th Sunday of Lent	
Beccles St Michaels	9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev Phil Cudmodre
Beccles St Lukes	9.30 am	FEAST	Rev Dimitri Theulings
Beccles St Michaels	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Phil Cudmore
Worlingham	3.30 pm	Coral Evensong	Rev Philip Merry
Beccles St Michaels	5.30 pm	IGNITE	Ministry Team

March 29th		Palm Sunday	
Beccles St Michaels	10.30 am	Joint Communion	Rev Dimitri Theulings
Worlingham	2.30 pm	Wild Church With Easter Egg Hunt	Ministry Team
North Cove	4.30 pm	Choral Easter Reflections	Rev Dimitri Theulings

*** Holy Week Services – See separate list

April 5th		Easter Day	
Beccles St Michaels	6.00 am	Sunrise Communion	Rev Dimitri Theulings Rev Phil Cudmore
Beccles St Michaels	9.00 am	Holy Communion(BCP)	Dimitri Theulings
Beccles St Lukes	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Phil Cudmore
North Cove	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Philip Merry
Beccles St Michaels	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Dimitri Theulings

MID WEEK SERVICES

Every Monday

** ZOOM 8.30 am Morning Prayer

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Worlingham 10.00 am Holy Communion

Every Tuesday

North Cove 3.30 pm Evening Prayer

Every Wednesday

Beccles St Lukes 8.30 am Morning Prayer

Every Thursday

Beccles St Michaels 10.00 am Holy Communion

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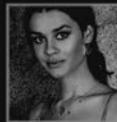
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SPECIAL SERVICES FOR EASTER WEEK

29th March - Palm Sunday

Beccles St Michaels	10.30 am	Joint Holy Communion
Worlingham	2.30 pm	Wild Church with Easter Egg Hunt
North Cove	4.30 pm	Easter Reflections with the North Cove Community Choir

30th March - Monday of Holy Week

Barnby	12.30 pm	Easter Reflections
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31st March - Tuesday of Holy Week

North Cove	12.30 pm	Easter Reflections
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1st April - Wednesday of Holy Week

Worlingham	12.30 pm	Easter Reflections
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2nd April - Maundy Thursday

Beccles St Lukes	6.30 pm	Maunday Thursday Meal
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3rd April - Good Friday

Beccles St Michaels	2.00 pm	An hour by the Cross
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5th April - Easter Day

Beccles St Michaels	6.00 am	Easter Sunrise
Beccles St Michaels	9.00 am	Holy Communion(BCP)
Beccles St Lukes	9.30 am	Holy Communion
North Cove	10.30 am	Holy Communion
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And what is wisdom? More, Bishop Mike said, than facts, or knowledge, though it includes those. It's more than intellectual ability, too, I think, for very clever people are not always wise. I'm sure you can think of some! Perhaps common sense is part of wisdom. But doesn't wisdom also include thoughtfulness and sensitivity? Whom do you know who, you think, is wise? I can think of some people and their characteristics include: listening carefully before they speak; taking time before giving an opinion or simply saying they will not offer an opinion because they don't know all the facts and aren't ready to make a judgement. Such people are often quiet and humble; but when they do speak, people listen, because they soon find that wise people say what is worth hearing. It's balanced and well-thought-out. It makes sense and following their advice leads to good outcomes.

Today, Artificial Intelligence is gaining ground. It can be a useful tool, especially in contexts such as reading results of medical tests and coming quickly (and, we hope, accurately) to a diagnosis. But I'm sure that, like me, you find predictive text can be handy in speeding up typing times, but it can also be extremely irritating when it assumes it knows what you want to say and puts in words that are not what you intended at all. A.I. can be clever but can it ever be wise?

What do God and the Bible have to say about wisdom? Psalm 111 verse 10 says "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom" ('awe' or 'respect' might be more helpful words than 'fear'). Respecting God and respecting other people go hand-in-hand. Solomon, when he became king in Old Testament times, dreamed that God said, "Ask what I should give you." He answered, "Give your servant an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil". His answer pleased God.

St Paul reminds us that "God made foolishness the wisdom of the world". The death of Jesus on the cross, his refusal to resist or retaliate, seemed and seems foolishness to people who are 'worldly-wise'. But his resurrection shows that "God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom". In his letter, St James says, "If any of you is lacking wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you." So, let us seek the wisdom that God will give to those who are prepared humbly to listen to one another and to God.

Faith Darch



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Dell House cares for residents with varying needs and has a separate facility for dementia care. Our dedicated staff are trained in all aspects of care and help to create a loving, community feel.

If you are considering residential care, please feel free to call in for a coffee and an informal chat about how we can help.

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WORLINGHAM NEWS

News from Worlingham CEVC Primary School

Y3/4 Share Afternoon

We invited parents and grandparents in to join the Y3/4 children in completing their Design & Technology projects, creating either a purse, pencil case or glasses case. It was a really lovely afternoon and the final products looked fantastic. Thank you to our parents and families for supporting this event.

Sports Tournaments

On 27th January, a group of Year 1/2 pupils attended a PE/Healthy Eating Festival at Adventure Island, along with several other local schools. The children had a fantastic time exploring the challenges and were super representatives of our school.

On 10th February, 12 Year 6 pupils competed in a basketball tournament at the Sir John Leman High School. The team played two matches, with the boys taking the first half and the girls the second, winning both games. This earned them a place in the final, which was played on a court twice the size of the previous matches. Worlingham played brilliantly and were crowned champions! Well done to all the children who represented our school. Their behaviour was exemplary, their teamwork and communication were outstanding, and they demonstrated

great determination and skill throughout the tournament.

Children's Mental Health Week

Last half term, we marked Children's Mental Health week with an assembly on the theme of 'Belonging', which is one of our school values. We aim to ensure that all children feel loved and accepted for who they are. We spoke about how it is important that children be true to themselves and do the things that they enjoy such as sports, games, music or crafts. Taking part in these types of activities is also a great way to connect with others.

Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 10th February, we celebrated Safer Internet Day, by looking at this year's theme of 'Smart tech, safe choices – exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'. Mrs Tompkins and Miss Cleghorn held a 'Safer Internet' assembly and the children worked on age appropriate activities in their key stages.

Kind regards

Holly Marchand -
Headteacher



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NORTH COVE & BARNBY NEWS

The Little Door on the Barnby Bends

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time's let slip to one side
favoured by a faithful few
who still hold God as their guide

Where history is a door to a locker
sheltered under Suffolk straw
patinated by Vergers
for eight hundred years or more

A host of hands have held
the accoutrements gathered within
staves for the processional
books with a favourite Hymn

A door today as ever was
as it was always meant to be
the oldest in our timeworn land
hardly a handful come to see

Here as well are pictures
almost modern, others ancient
lights leaded by a tortoise
or restored by experts patient

A slumbering giant sleeps on
who once lived across the way
as strong as any mortal
hailed a hero in his day

So, the Bends negotiated safely
cast a glance up to the Church
perhaps pause, and enter
be beguiled by the fruits of your search

hughlake@yahoo.co.uk 12th/13th Dec 2021

Scarecrow Trail

***We had so much fun last year,
we are doing it AGAIN!!***

Barnby and North Cove Primary School PTA are organising our 2nd village scarecrow trail to help raise funds for our village school.

Just like last year, we will be selling maps and refreshments from the School but we would love as many of our village neighbours to join us in making and displaying a scarecrow in their garden and also joining us in walking round.

This year's theme will be TV, and we can not wait to see what ideas you can all come up with this year.

The event will be the 23rd/24th May.

If anyone who would like to join in and make a scarecrow, please let either myself or the PTA know via email by the end of March.

*We look forward to
seeing you and your
scarecrows again
soon.*

ptabnc@gmail.com



North Cove & Barnby Playing Field Association



February Winners

1st Prize - No. 139 - Hugh Lake - £40

2nd Prize - No. 224 - Chris Wright - £20

3rd Prize - No. 235 - Mandy Harris - £15

**Lucky
Numbers**

NORTH COVE & BARNBY NEWS

North Cove & Barnby WI



'The Entertainer'

With Andy Miller

Tuesday 10th March at 7.15pm - Fortrey Heap Hall

Our WI meets on the second Tuesday of each month at Fortrey Heap Hall.

New members are always welcome.

To find out more about joining our W.I. and associated activities and outings please contact Ann on Telephone number 07811 112355.

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