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Contacting Rev. Ann

Rev'd Ann serves on a 0.6 basis, and her normal working days are Saturday to Wednesday midday.

Outside of those times please leave an answerphone message or email which she will attend to as soon as possible, or in an emergency please contact one of the Benefice Elders or Churchwardens.

Orebeck Benefice News (OBN) will be emailed monthly to all who request it, and printed copies will be available at each church.

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Orebeck Benefice News

August 2025



From Rev'd Ann:

Three days ago, we attended a special family wedding and the next morning my sister-in-law remarked that it had been a joyful occasion. It made me think of how many things in life we can truly describe as joyful. I think our service at Hacheston on 6th July was joyful and I hope all who attended would agree.

It seems to me that we read a lot about happiness, how to obtain it, how to sustain it, how we all deserve it, but joy is something apart from happiness, something more profound. Joy is a balance in our lives, it is part of the whole, underpinning our faith and way of being.

Our faith is about good news - that is what the word Gospel literally means. Some may think that Christians are far from joyful and can actually be killjoys which may, sadly, be true at times.

However, Jesus told his followers that he came so that we could have life and have it abundantly. The Christian story is one of how we can all get more from life. As Christians we are all called by God to let others know that the path to fulfilment and real purpose in life is found in Jesus.

Jesus was sometimes accused of being too joyful when he went to people's homes and ate, and laughed with them - those who had nothing to lose and recognised God's love for them in Jesus' person. In John's Gospel, Jesus told his disciples, 'I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.'



The other part of our good news is that the fulfilment of God's kingdom will be a place of joy. I am reminded of these words from Isaiah 55:12: You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

The promise of this is something that can sustain and comfort us. In the meantime, let us give thanks for those times in our lives when we have experienced real joy and recognise that at its source is the one who came to give us joy in full measure.

Go well.

Ann



Benefice Calendar: August 2025			
1	Fri	August	2nd August 2 pm - 4.30 pm Marlesford Village Fete Venue: The Firs, Church Rd, Marlesford.
2	Sat		
3	Sun	Trinity 7	Sunday 3rd August 11 am Benefice Holy Communion at Campsea Ashe
4	Mon	4 pm Prayers at Campsea Ashe	
5	Tue		
6	Wed		5 pm Compline at Marlesford
7	Thu		
8	Fri		
9	Sat		
10	Sun	Trinity 8	Sunday 10th August 10 am Benefice Holiday Club service at Brandeston 6 pm Holy Communion at Parham
11	Mon	4 pm Prayers at Campsea Ashe	
12	Tue		
13	Wed	5 pm Compline at Marlesford	
14	Thu		
15	Fri		
16	Sat	2 pm Celebration at Church Meadow, Parham.	
17	Sun	Trinity 9	Sunday 17th August 9.30 am Holy Communion at Marlesford 11 am Holy Communion at Easton 6 pm Evening Prayer at Kettleburgh
18	Mon	4 pm Prayers at Campsea Ashe	
19	Tue		
20	Wed	5 pm Compline at Marlesford	



PARHAM
Airfield Museum

The Corrance School Trust* is organising a Social Evening at **Parham Museum** on **Friday, 12th September 2025**.

Drinks on arrival at 6pm will be followed by a short talk from a museum volunteer.

Tickets are £12.50 each, which includes the welcome drink, the talk and a Buffet Supper. Tickets can be booked via Sue Paul on 07977 937953.

**The Corrance School Trust gives financial aid to young people resident in Hacheston and Parham in help them engage in education and training and promote their understanding of the Christian faith.*

Benefice Calendar: August 2025			
21	Thu		
22	Fri		
23	Sat		
24	Sun	Trinity 10	Sunday 24th August 9.30 am Morning Worship at Brandeston 9.30 am Holy Communion at Campsea Ashe 11 am Holy Communion at Kettleburgh 6 pm Evening Prayer at Parham
25	Mon	4 pm Prayers at Campsea Ashe	
26	Tue		
27	Wed	5 pm Compline at Marlesford	Wed 27th 7.00 pm Book Circle, Station House, Campsea Ashe
28	Thu		
29	Fri		
30	Sat		
31	Sun	Trinity 11	Sunday 31st August: 11.00 Benefice Holy Communion at Brandeston



The monthly Big Breakfast is taking a break during July and August. The next will be on 27th September.

Sunday 7th September:
11.00 Benefice Holy Communion at Easton

Lord Marlesford,
long-time patron of St Andrew's, Marlesford, died peacefully at his home on 13th July. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.



Parham Church Roof Appeal

Parham will be holding a celebration in the Church Meadow on 16th August, from 2.00 - 4.30 pm, to launch our appeal to raise funds to replace the church's leaking roof with a stainless steel covering. Free burgers, beer and a brass band. All are welcome from the Parish and Benefice, as are ideas for fund raising. Come and enjoy the party and celebrate that we have raised over £20,000 already - with a further £80,000 to go!

