

# South Croxton Churches

The parishes of Ashby Folville & Barsby, Gaddesby, South Croxton with Beeby  
and Twyford, Thorpe Satchville & John O'Gaunt

Newsletter June 2017

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## The Church is the people

Hello to you all!

What a wonderful day it was for a spring clean at St Michaels & All Angels, Thorpe Satchville, a few weeks ago. Grateful thanks to all those who assisted inside and outside Church. Everything is now gleaming and the trees at the entrance to the Church have been either removed or cut back.

As we continue our journey together in faith I have been asking congregations the question; "What is Church?" and exactly what is it we are trying to do?

It should come as no surprise that I say that Church is not a building but people. Our mission and crusade if you like is to build up the Kingdom. To do that we need to allow our communities into our Churches to see its history, all its splendour and glory and also to sit, relax, and find God in their own time; it's called having a 'numinous' experience of the awe and wonder of God around them, and giving people a chance to find God working in them.

If you believe in Sacramental theology, as I do, (finding God through the Sacraments) it is so important to offer Holy Communion more than just on Sundays. That is part of the reason for expanding the number of services from August. We're calling the service 'Worship with Eucharist'. If you've been confirmed please come for Communion, if not come anyway and receive a blessing!

Having a 'pattern' for services is good, and it's a part of building up the Kingdom, by looking after the spiritual welfare of everyone in our Church family and beyond. And I truly believe that this offer of a Sacrament is by its very meaning (and nature) a chance for an external matter (bread and wine) to have an effect on the inside (the Holy Spirit at work in us). Sacraments do change you on the inside – they draw out the 'self' within, and change and replace it to become more 'Christ-like'.

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The ‘taster’ session for Philosophy & Ethics has been arranged for **Wednesday June 27, 7.00—8.30pm** at the village hall, Gaddesby. Please do come along and see what you think (no pun intended)! The response from this session will determine whether we continue with a monthly gathering. Help is needed! Does anyone have a projector (with input from a laptop) and screen? I would be extremely grateful to borrow this for our first session – kindly ring me (841278).

A date for your diary! We’re going to have a Pet Service on **Sunday October 15 at 2.00pm** In St John the Baptist Church, South Croxton. Please bring absolutely any pet (and yourself, of course!) to this special service of giving thanks to God for all the pleasure that our pets bring us, and have them blessed! If they won’t fit in Church – I’ll bless them outside!

Finally can I thank everyone in the Benefice for their support during my first six weeks here with you. The signs are very encouraging that together we can make a difference and build God’s Kingdom, and we can make a difference to people’s lives, and we can see Jesus in everyone we meet – IF we want to.

Blessings

Revd Neil

**PRAYER and A PARTY IN FRAMLAND**

When Bishop Martyn was welcomed into the Diocese last year he promised ‘Prayers and Parties’. Delivering on this promise, he wishes to bring together as many of us as possible on

**Monday June 12, 7.00— 9.00 pm in Gaddesby Church.**

There will be a service of celebration as well as thanks being given to God for the great blessings that the Framland Deanery has received over the last 12 months. The party will follow on afterwards in church giving us all the chance to meet informally and to welcome the Bishop plus our new members of clergy to the deanery.

This will be a wonderful opportunity to pray and party as our newly-formed Deanery Church family comes together for the first time.

COME and CELEBRATE WITH US



**“It’s most kind of the church to donate but I wish they’d check there isn’t anything left inside, first.”**

■ **Community Lunch:** The Parish Community Hub held its most recent get-together in May at The Brewery, Old Dalby. The next event will be on Monday June 26 at Beedles Lake Golf Club, East Goscote, 12.00 pm for a 12.30 pm start. If you would like to come along please contact Annette Piper (840627); Davina Bates (454201); Vic Allsop (434697), Maureen Coleman (434120) or Janet Norburn (0116 269 5295). A big ‘thank you’ to every one of our many valuable volunteers, in particular those who volunteer to drive and collect people for the Community Lunches. Do come and join us. New people are coming along all the time.  
*The Community Lunch Team.*

# **New services in the South Croxton Benefice Churches**

## **Commencing August 2017**

- The 10.30am Sunday service is a Worship with Eucharist Service, with hymns/songs
  - ALL OTHER services are said BCP with Holy Communion Homily, without hymns
- Patronal festivals will be celebrated on their Feast Day in each Church
  - A separate announcement will be made for the 5th Sunday service.  
This is likely to be a joint benefice SWF group service.

### **Tuesdays at 7pm**

1st Tuesday of the month at South Croxton

3rd Tuesday of the month at Ashby Folville

### **Thursdays at 09.30am**

1st Thursday of the month at Gaddesby

2nd Thursday of the month at Thorpe Satchville

3rd Thursday of the month at Gaddesby

4th Thursday of the month at Thorpe Satchville

### **Sundays at 08.30am**

1st Sunday of the month at Twyford

2nd Sunday of the month at Ashby Folville

3rd Sunday of the month at Twyford

4th Sunday of the month at Ashby Folville

### **Sundays at 10.30am**

1st Sunday of the month at Thorpe Satchville

2nd Sunday of the month at Gaddesby

3rd Sunday of the month at South Croxton

4th Sunday of the month at Twyford

### **Sunday at 6pm**

1st Sunday of the month at South Croxton for Evensong

# Parish councils

**Gaddesby, Barsby & Ashby Folville Parish Council:** The next meeting will be at Gaddesby Village Hall on Monday June 12 at 6.45pm. The following meeting will be at Ashby and Barsby Village Hall on July 10. Further information can be found on the Gaddesby website: gaddesbypc@hotmail.co.uk

**South Croxton Parish Council:** The meeting, on Thursday June 1 at 6.30pm in the village hall, will be the annual parish meeting. The next meeting will be on July 6.

**Twyford and Thorpe Satchville Parish Council:** Tuesday June 20, 7.45pm, in Thorpe Satchville Village Hall.

# Women's Institutes

**Barsby and Ashby Folville:** *Walking the Leicestershire Round for Breast Cancer Research.* The speaker at the meeting, on June 14, is Alison Kirk. Competition: picture/photo of the countryside.

**Gaddesby:** After some thoughtful discussion on the resolutions for this year, we turn our attention to 'Helping Hands Hedgehog Rescue' for the June 14 meeting, with speaker Pat Wadd. The competition is anything beginning with 'T' and don't forget there is a raffle.

**South Croxton:** Members meet on the third Thursday of the month. Guests are very welcome; the cost is £5, which includes food and a cuppa.

# Ashby Folville and Barsby

**Annual garden fete:** The fete takes place on Saturday June 17 at 2.00pm. Contributions in the way of cakes, plants, bric-a-brac and books, would be very much appreciated as would any contributions towards the raffle prizes. Contact Angela Patton (840964).

**Deaths:** Sadly, we have said goodbye to two ladies of Ashby Folville and Barsby. Mrs Alwyn Thomas, of Carington Cottages, and Mrs. Dorothy White, who was born in Barsby. Dorothy was from the Palmer family who, over the years, were very involved in Barsby life and faithful members of St. Mary's. Our thoughts go to Antony, Brigitte, Linda and Brenda and other members of Dorothy's family. *RH*

**Coffee morning:** The members of St Mary's PCC would like to say a big 'thank you' to Pam East of Barsby and all the people who supported her by going along to the coffee morning and raising £270.00 for St Marys. *Angela Patton*

**Jazz:** In spite of the weather the jazz evening at St. Mary's was a great success, thanks to the hard work of the organisers. *RH*

**Music at the Mill:** Saturday July 1, at Mill Farm, Ashby Road, Gaddesby. Music from Two & Fro, an acoustic duo, and Toms Toms, an all-genre cover band; hog roast; licensed bar. Ticket admission only £10, including hog roast, available from Sycamore Farm, 15 Main Street, Barsby (841201). *Antony Cresswell-Black, BVC chairman.*

**Village hall:** For village hall bookings please ring Lucy Stroud (840667). The hall is very well equipped, and is a perfect venue for parties . . . catering/bar can be provided if required.

# Gaddesby

## Village hall

Yoga, Tuesdays, 7.30—9.00pm, contact Di Angrave (840013); Tums and Bums, Thursdays, 7.00—8.00pm, contact Justine Hunt (840435), Justine.hunt1@btinternet.com; Why Not Come Dancing (WNCD) Saturdays, 7.00—11.00pm. Contact Barry Preston (840381). The Gaddesby Women's Institute meets on the second Wednesday of the month, 7.30—10.00 pm, contact Daphne Tucker (841184).

Contact Sue Evans (840305) for hall bookings.

# South Croxton

**Garden fete:** The church garden fete will be held on Saturday June 3 at 2.30pm in the gardens of 97 Main Street, South Croxton Children's fancy dress. Any help or contributions would be very much appreciated. Contact Liz Norton (840803), JoAnn Charles (840501) or Angela Wood (840620)

**Quiz night:** There will be a quiz night with a fish and chip supper in aid of South Croxton Bell and Tower Fund at the village hall on Saturday September 23. Tickets from Pat Sanderson (840229), Angela Wood (840620), or Liz Norton (840803).

**Afternoon Tea Party** in aid of the Church Bell and Tower Fund on August 5, 2.30pm onwards at 97 Main Street. Pimms and prosecco bar and tombola. Please contact Pat (840229) or Elizabeth (840803) for tickets.

**Lottery:** If you wish to join the monthly lottery contact Tracy Campbell (840042), Ann Crawford (840231) or Angela Wood (840620).

■ **Village hall:** The hall is available for events, parties and classes. Contact Caroline (840272) to make your booking.

# Thorpe Satchville

## Village Hall

**Coffee mornings: Due to the little matter of the General Election our coffee morning will be on Thursday June 1.** Otherwise, drop in for coffee, cake and chat on every second Thursday of the month, 10.30—12.00pm. Absolutely everyone is welcome – young, old, babies and toddlers! These coffee mornings have proved to be very successful and have been running for over a year now. The next event will be on July 13.

**Saturday June 3.** for one night only – A Dolly Parton tribute act & hog roast! Doors open at 7.30pm to get the party started ! It promises to be a really great evening, the act comes highly recommended! Be sure to purchase your tickets in advance from Annie or any of the committee members at £20.00 per person. The Village Hall Committee is trying something new by putting on this very special evening of entertainment. Please come along and support it, bring friends and family too!

**Sunday July 9: Walk and brunch:** Gather at 9.00am by the village hall for the walk , children, dogs, all walkers welcome ! Brunch will be served at 11.00 – £5. 00 per head for anyone wishing to share a late breakfast .

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**Boot camp:** An experienced trainer is running exercise sessions in the grounds of the village hall, Wednesdays 9.30—10.30am, £20 for four consecutive sessions. All welcome, whatever fitness level you are – enjoy good company and get fit at the same time

■ The village hall can be hired for £10 an hour before 6.00pm and £15 after 6.00pm. It is extremely well maintained and has an excellent catering kitchen, fridges & freezer. It is attached to a large village playing field and play area, which makes it an ideal venue for children's parties. For any further information or to book the hall please contact Annie Jones (07871277177)/(840470). Alternatively visit [www.thorpesatchville.co.uk](http://www.thorpesatchville.co.uk) where you will find all the relevant information.

**Scout groups:** Our summer term programme started on Thursday April 27 and we look forward to our camp at the end of the summer. If you would like to know more or volunteer to help please email [1thorpescouts@gmail.com](mailto:1thorpescouts@gmail.com) or call Group Scout Leader Tim Ashton (07976 378 795).

## Twyford

### Village hall:

**Karate:** Sundays, 10.00am, June 4, 11, 18, 25; Mondays, 7.00pm, June 12, 26; Wednesdays, 6.00pm, June 7, 14, 21, 28. More details: Alison (851238).

**Carpet bowls:** Mondays, 8.00pm, June 5, 19.

**Whist drive:** Fridays, 7.00pm, June 9, 23.

**Drop In:** Fridays, 10.30am, June 9, 23.

**Yoga:** Mixed ability, Mondays, 11.00am, June 12, 19, 26, 29; men's, Thursdays, 7.00pm, June 1, 15, 22, 29.

**Inns and Outs:** Wednesday June 14, skittles at the Carington Arms, 7.30pm.

There's a choice of supper: (a) steak pie and mash; (b) vegetarian tagine. Each costs £8.50. Please ring Paula to book your place and choice of supper (840787).

**Inns and Outs advance notice:** Please book before June 14 for a performance of Hobson's Choice at Tolethorpe Hall, Stamford, on Tuesday July 4, so that we can sit together. The production is about the hilarious trials and tribulations of a bombastic boot shop owner and his three uppity daughters in Salford in the 1880s. Tickets £11, take a picnic to eat in the grounds or book at the Tolethorpe restaurant, Sandy (840454).

**Woolly Days:** Saturday June 10, 10.30—3.30pm. Knitting, spinning, crochet, weaving . . . bring your work with you and enjoy a day with like-minded people, £5 and something for a shared lunch. For more details contact Lizzie (07754 497004).

**Book and Film Club:** June's book is My Cousin Rachel by Daphne du Maurier. A new film of the book is on general release this month. Book available in all usual forms

**Website:** [www.twyford-vh.org](http://www.twyford-vh.org) Check out what's coming up and the latest news. See the hall's facilities and availability and book your event!

**Village hall bookings:** Twyford Village Hall is available for booking for your party, wedding, meeting or other event. Regular activities or 'one off' events can also be advertised in the VH Programme which is delivered to every house in the village. Call Chris (07811 859813) or (840774) or check online at [www.twyford-vh.org](http://www.twyford-vh.org).

# Who to contact in the South Croxton Benefice

**Priest in charge (Rector Designate): The Revd Neil Stothers**

The Rectory, 19 Main Street, South Croxton LE7 3RJ

Tel: 01664 841278 or email: [revneilstothers@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:revneilstothers@yahoo.co.uk)

Please contact Revd Neil for all wedding, funeral, baptism or home communion visits, or urgent pastoral matters in the first instance. When Revd Neil is on leave, kindly contact the administration office (01664 561909 or the appropriate contact from the list of Churches below;

The South Croxton Benefice is part of the South West Framland group of Churches and has an administrative office that deals with official and authorised forms that you may have to complete, and for collection of all fees for the services we provide. This office is open on Tuesdays and Fridays (01664 561909); or by email; [clusteradmin@btinternet.com](mailto:clusteradmin@btinternet.com)

For general matters relating to one of our Benefice Churches, visits, or record searches, please contact: (All numbers preceded by 01664):

**St Mary Ashby Folville & Barsby:** Rosemary Holt – Warden (840783).

**St Luke Gaddesby:** Daphne Tucker – Warden (841184) or David Wyrko – Warden (840385).

**St John the Baptist South Croxton & Beeby:** Ann Crawford – Warden (840231) or Brian Piper – Warden (840627)

**St Michael & All Angels Thorpe Satchville:** Jane Smith – Warden (840333)

**St Andrew Twyford:** Dorothy Edwards – Warden (840591)

■ The Wardens may direct you to other contacts that will assist your enquiry as necessary.

For matters relating to this magazine, contributions, news items, celebrations or events contact Glyn Tucker (841184) or email [churchmaged@gmail.com](mailto:churchmaged@gmail.com)

**The deadline for the combined July and August newsletter is June 22.**



We did warn the vicar not to pick a fight with the flower arranging team.

**June  
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***Where to Worship in  
South West Framland Group***

<b>June 3 Saturday</b>	3.00pm	Messy Church	Frisby MC
<b>June 4 Pentecost Whit Sunday</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion	Frisby
	10.30am	Family Service	Rotherby
	10.30am	Family Worship	Pickwell
	10.30am	Holy Communion	Gaddesby
	6.00pm	Holy Communion	Burrough
	6.00pm	United Evening Worship	Hoby MC
<b>June 11 Trinity Sunday</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion	Hoby
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Ashby Folville
	10.30am	Holy Communion	Somerby
	10.30am	Family Service	Ragdale
	10.30am	Holy Communion & Baptism	Thorpe Satchville
<b>June 18 Trinity 1</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion	Kirby Bellars
	10.30am	United Café Church	Frisby
	10.30am	Holy Communion	Little Dalby
	10.30am	Holy Communion	South Croxton
	6.00pm	Evensong	Gaddesby
<b>June 25 Trinity 2</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion	Twyford
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Hoby
	10.30am	Family Worship	Ashby Folville
	10.30am	Holy Communion	Great Dalby
	10.30am	Family Service & Baptism	Brooksby
	6.00pm	Evensong	Kirby Bellars
<b>Wednesdays</b>	9.15am	Holy Communion	Frisby

MC = Methodist Centre/Church    VH = Village Hall

Please note that during the Burrough Hill Parishes interregnum some services may be subject to alteration at short notice. Please see your weekly pew sheet for details or contact the office if you are unsure or require any clarification at any point.