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Outside of those days 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.

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Orebeck Benefice

News replaces "A Slice of Suffolk" magazine while we wait for a volunteer editor to join the team.

The Benefice News will be emailed monthly to all who request it, and print copies will be available at each church.

Please send items for inclusion by the 20th of each month to :

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Orebeck Benefice News

April 2024



The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad..... Psalm 96: 1



.....Let all creation rejoice before the Lord. Psalm 96: 13



The seven villages the Orebeck Benefice

The Orebeck Benefice is in East Suffolk in the diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich.



From Rev'd Ann:

'O to be in England now that April's here', is the first line of (probably) Robert Browning's most famous

poem, *Home Thoughts from Abroad*, and April is certainly a beautiful month with spring fully established and new growth and life all around. April also brings us St George's Day on the 23rd, which for some is a day to celebrate all that is good about England and a cause for patriotic thoughts.

Patriotism is not a bad thing and with all that is happening across the world now, we have much to be grateful for. Love of one's country can be healthy as long as it is not blind love or love that becomes exclusively inward looking. St George is an interesting choice for patron saint of England. George is thought to have been born in modern-day Turkey and was a member of the Roman Praetorian

guard. At some point, he became a Christian and then refused to refute his faith and worship the Emperor Diocletian instead. George and other Christians were all beheaded.

George did not die for his country but for his faith.

So, let's be grateful for the beauty of England in April and all the freedoms we are afforded as citizens of this country, but also remember that as Christians we are called to see all people as God's children. God's kingdom has no borders, and we need to remember this as we decide how to treat others. As Shakespeare (whose birthday is also celebrated on 23rd April) said, let 'God be my hope, my stay, my guide and lantern to my feet'.

Go well,
Ann

Benefice Calendar: April 2024		
1	Mon	
2	Tue	
3	Wed	5 pm Compline at Marlesford
4	Thu	
5	Fri	
6	Sat	10.30am Campsea Ashe PCC meeting
7	Sun	Easter 2
8	Mon	4 pm Monday Prayers at Easton
9	Tue	
10	Wed	5 pm Compline at Marlesford
11	Thu	
12	Fri	
13	Sat	
14	Sun	Easter 3
15	Mon	4 pm Monday Prayers at Easton
16	Tue	
17	Wed	5 pm Compline at Marlesford
18	Thu	
19	Fri	7.30 pm Talk at Kettleburgh Village Hall
20	Sat	

Open meeting to discuss changes to the interior of the church —see panel below.

Sunday 7th April
10 am Benefice Holy Communion at Easton

Sunday 14th April
9.30 am Holy Communion at Brandeston
9.30 am Morning Worship at Campsea Ashe
11 am Morning worship at Easton
11 am Morning Prayer at Parham with Hacheston
6.30 pm Evening prayer at Marlesford

Campsea Ashe Church PCC
We would like to invite you to a short meeting at the Church on **Saturday 6th April at 10.30**. You probably know that we are raising money to repair the tower, but we also want to make some changes to the interior of the Church to make it easier to meet there and hold social events. We have plans but would like to know what you think. Tea/coffee will be served.

Farming Alongside Wildlife—a talk on Regenerative Farming by Suffolk farmer Patrick Barker who has appeared on Countryfile and on David Attenborough's Wild Isles series.
Friday 19th April, 7.30pm at Kettleburgh Village Hall. Light refreshments and raffle available. Entry £5
See: www.groundswellag.com

Benefice Calendar: April 2024		
21	Sun	Easter 4
22	Mon	4 pm Monday Prayers at Easton
23	Tue	
24	Wed	5 pm Compline at Marlesford
25	Thu	
26	Fri	
27	Sat	
28	Sun	Easter 5
29	Mon	4 pm Monday Prayers at Easton
30	Tue	

Sunday 21st April
9.30 am Holy Communion at Marlesford
11 am Holy Communion at Kettleburgh
6.00 pm Evening Prayer at Parham

Sunday 28th April
9.30 am Holy Communion at Campsea Ashe
9.30 am Morning worship at Brandeston
11 am Morning Prayer at Easton
11 am Holy Communion at Hacheston with Parham
6.30 pm Evening Prayer at Kettleburgh

Next Benefice service: 10 am on 5th May at Hacheston

Note
There will be **no coffee mornings** at Station House during April. They resume on Tuesday 21st May.



Easton May Fair Village Green
Saturday 4th May
2 pm to 4 pm
Fun for all the family

You may have noticed that our monthly **Zoom services**, started during the pandemic, no longer appear on the calendar. It's better to meet in person, so please attend one of the village churches on the third Sunday of the month. Our thanks go to Graham who initiated the services, to Jackie and Jane for leading them and to Bill for managing the technology. Greatly appreciated—especially in winter!



Music at Marlesford
Sunday 28th April
6.30 for 7 pm
Andrew Quartermain
on piano
Tickets £12 adult, £4 child
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