

# The Combs and Finborough News Sheet

Combs with Gt and Lt Finborough, Buxhall, Onehouse, Harleston and Shelland

**WELCOME** as we keep in touch,  
pray and support each other  
especially those who cannot come  
back to our buildings yet.



**13th September 2020**

**Harvest Festival** (and 14th Sunday after Trinity)

**Welcome** to the **Zoom Harvest service** You might like to light a candle. Following Orthodox tradition and you may wish to join us with a piece of bread as the 'Bread of Fellowship' given to those in their churches who do not receive the Sacrament.

**Welcome** to **Harvest Festival** Holy Communion at St Mary's **Combs** at 11am and **Harvest Festival** at King Charles Shelland at **4pm** (byo Seats)

**Welcome** Canon Sandie Barton to Shelland Diocesan Environment Officer as preacher

## Collect for today

Creator God,  
you made the goodness of the land,  
the riches of the sea  
and the rhythm of the season;  
as we thank you for the harvest,  
may we cherish and respect  
the planet and its peoples,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen;



## Readings (Special Readings for Shelland)

### Epistle - Acts 14.13-17

The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates; he and the crowds wanted to offer sacrifice. When the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their clothes and rushed out into the crowd, shouting, 'Friends, why are you doing this? We are mortals just like you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. In past generations he allowed all the nations to follow their own ways; yet he has not left himself without a witness in doing good—giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, and filling you with food and your hearts with joy.'

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

## Holy Gospel Luke 12.16-31

Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.'

This the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ**



**Ride and Stride** – Thank you to all who took part in any way, from welcoming, riding, striding or sponsoring. No doubt a little retrospective sponsoring is still welcomed!

**WORLD'S BIGGEST  
COFFEE  
MORNING**

**MACMILLAN  
CANCER SUPPORT**

For many years our Churches at Gt Finborough, Onehouse and Combs have led on Community fund raising events and Buxhall Community has had its own 'special' in the Village Hall. This year is clearly a challenge – **but what about running an event at home for those in your Bubble – or being creative, to raise Funds?** Socially distanced Coffee Mornings seem possible and there are suggestions on their website. McMillan's vital work goes on, the Pandemic has not put Cancer 'on hold' - as we all know. If we can help in any way please let me know. I am very happy for the Church Zoom account to host a virtual Coffee Morning (or three) Just be in touch..... Rev Chris

**Stowmarket Foodbank**

Supporting individuals and families in crisis

Your donations are very gladly received at this time of considerable need either by being left at the Supermarket in the box provided or in the Box outside the Food Bank in the Community Centre Hillside Stowmarket between 9 and 1 each weekday.

**Monetary donations may be made through kindlink which can be reached by their website: [www.livingit.org.uk](http://www.livingit.org.uk) and Foodbank area! There is a red donate button.**

**URGENT NEEDS THIS WEEK** Part baked bread, tinned meat for heating and cold THANK YO

## **Intercessions**

Let us pray for our own needs and for the needs of others,  
following the pattern which Jesus gave  
when he taught us to pray to God our Father.

Through our love of the countryside,  
through our care for animals,  
through our respect for property and tools:  
**Father, hallowed be your name.**

On our farms and in our homes,  
in our colleges and schools,  
where machinery is made,  
and where policy is planned:  
**Father, your kingdom come.**

By our seeking your guidance,  
by our keeping your commandments,  
by our living true to our consciences:  
**Father, your will be done.**

For the millions who live in poverty and hunger,  
for our own needs, and the requirements of our neighbours,  
by cooperation, sympathy and generosity:  
**give us today our daily bread.**

Because we have broken your commandments,  
doing what we ought not to do and neglecting  
what we ought to do:  
**forgive us our sins.**

If any have injured us by injustice, double dealing or exploitation:  
**we forgive those who sin against us.**

When prosperity lulls us to false security,  
or hard times prompt us to despair,  
When success makes us boastful,  
or failure makes us bitter:  
**lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

In the assurance of faith,  
in the confidence of hope,  
in the will to serve,  
help us to love Christ as Lord,  
and our neighbour as ourselves.  
**for the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

# Remembering the Dear Departed 1st November

## 11am St Mary's Combs

This has been a particularly difficult year for many and so we have chosen the church with the largest safe seating capacity to hold the service. Invitations are being sent to all who have lost loved ones recorded in our Registers over the past year. There will be an opportunity to leave a personal memory rather than lighting a candle. The Parish Magazines or Combs and Lt Finboroughs' Together Sheet will give more detail. Otherwise please ask. Booking in is essential with the number in your 'bubble' by the previous Thursday.

## September and Harvest Services:-

Zoom services continue at 9.30am each Sunday - Access [revcchilds@aol.com](mailto:revcchilds@aol.com)

20th Sept	11am	Holy Communion Gt Finbro'
	3.00pm	<b>Harvest</b> Little Finbro' <i>byo Pic Nic</i>
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer Onehouse
27th Sept	11am	Holy Communion Combs, 6pm Evening Prayer Harleston
4th Oct	11am	Holy Communion Buxhall, 3pm Evening Prayer Lt Finboro
11th Oct	11am	Holy Communion Combs, 3pm Evening Prayer Shelland

Donations to the Foodbank may be brought to the Harvests please

*Evening Services are probably in the Churchyards - BYO seats*

*Sadly there is no singing or refreshments and Social Distancing has to be maintained.*

*Morning Prayer on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10am, Bible Study on Wednesdays at 4pm continue on Zoom – ask for details*

## Church Annual (and Vestry) Meetings 7.30pm

(in church unless otherwise indicated)

Buxhall 14th September - Rev Chris

Lt Finbro' 21st September - Cheryl Edwards

Combs 22nd September - Chris Sansom

Gt Finbro 5th October ON ZOOM - Maggie Vincent  
Onehouse tbc

Harleston 27th September (Sunday) 4.30pm – Dave Fenton

Please come and support and church.

Agendas, Minutes and Reports available from Secretaries as above or clergy–

## Please remember the families and loved ones of those recently died May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

As a Group of Churches we are committed to promoting a 'Safer Church' for all.

Information relating to Safeguarding is available in all our churches and from our Diocesan Website

<https://www.cofesuffolk.org/safeguarding>

This pew sheet is also now published on village websites including Combs Village by popular request!

<http://www.combvillage.org.uk/st-marys-church/pew-sheets/>

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