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A Message from the Rector

I am sitting at my desk writing this article in the middle of August but thinking about what will be happening when the magazine is published in September. In the church the big thing in September is harvest and our celebrations for the blessing we have received in the food that has been grown and harvested.

I remember a harvest festival in a junior school at which I was taking part. My thought was that I would demonstrate how many foods that we take for granted and sometimes think come from this country but actually come from other countries. I gathered a small pile of tins which I thought were quite surprising as to what they were and where they actually came from. I wanted the children to think of the people who grow the food and transport it. To consider the spiders web of inter-connecting links that provide the foods that we eat. I held up a tin of potatoes and asked where the children thought that they had come from. I have to admit that I couldn't fault the logic of the reply, "from the shop". Yes, they were from the shop but where did they come from originally. The answers that came were a mix of everything from seeds to the ground. I thought that I should offer a clue to what I was looking for. What country do you think they are from? The children seeing an obvious link to questions in class earlier in the week immediately plumped for Zambia because they had been studying that country. I think they were a little disappointed when I had to tell them that the potatoes came from Belgium but that we do get food from Zambia. I did look but I couldn't find any amongst the pile of tins on the table. Still we had a good afternoon and sang songs about apples and cauliflowers and things, said a prayer for all that grows and spent time together as a school community.

The food we were are given (these days mostly tinned) doesn't go to waste but goes to the community larder so local people who are in temporary need get a helping hand with the groceries that they are struggling to afford.

May the Lord Bless You,

Revd. Richard G. Holden
Rector

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Meet Our Associate Priest

Almost a year after you welcome Richard as your new Rector, I join you as Associate Priest. Thank you to everyone who has prayed for the post here and those who have made Mike and me feel welcome as we move from Sutton on Sea to Skegness.

My husband Mike and I have been married for almost 30 years. We have a daughter, Lindsey who is 27 and a son, Thomas who is 23. Our family is blessed with Sophie, a five year old Tibetan Terrier. Mike was born at Haltham, near Horncastle. He is a Chartered Secretary and Chartered Management Accountant but will be retiring and enjoying leisure time. He enjoys listening to André Rieu as well as socialising with Cursillo, the RAFA and RBL.

I was born in Durham and brought up as a Catholic, attending a convent school. I have worked in shoe shops, McDonalds, network marketing, property development, administration and book-keeping work as well as being a swimming teacher and lifeguard. When Mike and I got married and had Lindsey we decided to bring our children up in the Anglican tradition. Unbeknown to me God was calling me to ministry with a health visitor affirming it.

Romans 12:2 (ESV) "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

It took a dramatic event in my life though to bring me closer to God and discern what he had in store for me. I became a lay minister in 2003, nine years later I was ordained as deacon and priest. I served my curacy in the Brothertoft and Sibsey Group of Parishes until 2015. We moved to Sutton on Sea where I have been covering parishes for holidays and interregnums as well as assisting with services nearer to home.

Please continue to pray for guidance as I start my new journey in faith and look forward to meeting you.

Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

Reverend Michelle Houldershaw
Associate Priest



Harvest

It's that time of the year when we give thanks for the gathering in of the good things of the earth. It's an opportunity to give and to decorate the church with flowers, fruit and vegetables. Nowadays, the gifts which are given by our congregations and schools are mainly non-perishable goods which can be passed on to organisations which run food banks – that happens in this area of Christian churches, not just at Harvest Festival, but throughout the year. But how did it start?

It was the Reverend R.S. Hawker, the eccentric vicar of Morwenstow in Cornwall, who introduced the Harvest Festival as we know it in 1843. Its popularity spread like wildfire, so, a mere twenty years later, the Church of England issued a form of service. Even in city parishes, where few of the congregation had ever seen wheat growing, Harvest Festival became an essential landmark in the Church's year. The service enjoys considerable popularity beyond the ranks of regular churchgoers, possibly because of almost universal concerns about the exploitation and destruction of our environment, as well as fears over food safety and scientific research; but harvest is also about saying thank you for so many wonderful gifts in our world.

I was born and brought up in a farming community, and the joys, sadness and difficulties of making a living from the land remain vivid. As children, we were always part of the traditional harvesting and many happy hours were spent in the fields gathering sheaves.

Our Harvest Festival this year in the Skegness Group is on 24 September and, at each harvest-tide, it is important that we remember that, as we enjoy the harvest that God has given us, so we are called to share that harvest. God has been generous to us; let us try to be equally generous to others.

Reverend Christine Anderson

All In The Month of September

It was:

150 years ago: on 04 Sept 1867 that Sheffield Wednesday Football Club was founded.

100 years ago: on 27 Sept 1917 that Edgar Degas, French Impressionist artist and sculptor died.

80 years ago: on 21 Sept 1937 that JRR Tolkien's novel The Hobbit was published.

75 years ago: on 21 Sept 1942 that the Boeing B-29 Superfortress bomber made its first flight.

70 years ago: on 08 Sept 1947 that the Treaty of Dunkirk came into effect. It was a Treaty of Alliance and Mutual Assistance between Britain and France against a possible attack from Germany following WWII

65 years ago: on 06 Sep 1952 that the Farnborough Air Crash took place in Hampshire. A de Havilland fighter jet broke apart and fell into the crowd, killing 31 people.

60 years ago: on 04 Sept 1957 that the Wolfenden Report was published in Britain. It recommended that homosexual behaviour between consenting adults in private should no longer be a criminal offence. (Homosexuality was decriminalised in England and Wales in 1967, in Scotland in 1980 and in Northern Ireland in 1982.)

50 years ago: on 30 Sept 1967 that the BBC reorganised its radio network. BBC Radio 1 was launched; the BBC Light Programme became BBC Radio 2; the BBC Third Programme and BBC Music Programme were merged and became Radio 3; and the BBC Home Service became Radio 4.

40 years ago: on 18 Sept 1977 that NASA's Voyager 1 spacecraft sent back the first-ever photograph of the Earth and Moon together in a single image.

25 years ago: on 16 Sept 1992 that the Black Wednesday sterling crisis took place. Britain crashed out of the European Exchange Rate Mechanism (ERM), raised interest rates from 10% to 15%, and spent billions of pounds buying up sterling that was being frantically disposed of on international financial markets.

20 years ago: on 05 Sept 1997 that Mother Teresa of Calcutta died. She was a Macedonian-born Albanian Indian nun and humanitarian. She founded the Missionaries of Charity and was winner of the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize. Beatified October 2003.

10 years ago: on 29 Sept 2007 that the world's first commercial nuclear power station, Calder Hall in Cumbria, was demolished. It operated from 1956 to 2003.



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Remember Simon Says? A playground game where you have to obey instructions ONLY if Simon said to do it! If he didn't, you were out. Played with a handful of participants, it probably only lasted long enough for a morning break by which time the carefully planned and slickly executed commands would have laid waste to

all concerned. Oh, how inventive we were in the days before computers! Fair to say, you'd probably outgrown the game if you were still claiming that you didn't hand in your A level coursework because 'Simon didn't tell me to.'

But now Simon Says meets the computer age: Simon Says for adults – meet Alexa! You may have a glancing understanding of this piece of kit, you may have one of your own, or like me, Alexa just forms part of that group along with firesticks, firewalls, casting and interfacing that I've never felt the need to understand. But given one as a gift, I've been finding out about Alexa and all she can do, and I've even discovered that she has a sense of humour.

In practical terms, she has a wealth of information. Should you ever wake up to find that someone has sewn all your curtains closed in the night, and tied your ankles together so that you can't get to the door, you can say 'Alexa, what's the weather like today?' (Although I think you'd have bigger concerns than a 20% chance of a shower under the circumstances). And she'll tell you. She won't tell you though, if you don't say Alexa, because that's the trigger word. How she knows where I live is another issue, but a minor consideration within the bigger picture. You can ask her for a news flash, ask her to play songs by a certain artist, or instruct her to play a song collection of your own. If you have any wireless enabled gadgets in the house, she'll operate those too, dimming lights, switching on TVs, boiling kettles, goodness knows only what.

She has access to 40 million songs (who counted?) and can summon them up instantly, even if only given a few words. Some idle afternoon, (because I have many of those), I'm going to try this out properly because I'm famous, some might say infamous for getting song words wrong. Naturally I don't remember any of my more memorable mistakes, but I do remember a school friend of mine who thought Crosby Stills and Nash were singing '12 years singing butterflies'. This has always bothered me. Said friend was always a lot more attentive to music than I was, but more importantly, music was our religion back then. Hours pouring over the lyrics on album sleeves or that little booklet that came with a CD! And why would anyone sing butterflies? For twelve years? Just not logical.

Anyway, where is all this information and music coming from? It's in the Cloud. NOOOOO! My brain melts and dribbles on the floor where I stand. Like trying to

make sense of eternity, I don't understand the Cloud nor the ether either. Are they even the same thing? Is one for storing and one for travelling? Where are they? How much data is there? Will it ever fill up? If the photo on my phone or computer isn't actually there, where is it?

Clever Alexa and she's better than that even. She learns new things. She'll play games with you like 'would you rather be credited with inventing the wheel or the internet', she'll provide a fanfare for important news as in 'Hey guys, Alexa fanfare please (trumpets), I didn't lose my keys once today' – not mind boggling news admittedly, but an achievement in this house! She'll tell jokes like 'I think the printer is playing music again, the paper's jammin' – in a voice that makes lift announcements sound excitable.

In fact she's all you need in a companion. Although, there can only be one thing more sad than taking a solitary holiday, and that's one where you're seen corridor creeping with a small box of artificial intelligence under your arm for company.

Such technology! Such progress! Such a wealth of information! All available with the word 'Alexa'!

So imagine my surprise, alone in a silent house, sorting paperwork when Alexa suddenly piped up uninvited! 'I think you want to know about flatulence', she intoned, 'otherwise known as farting,' and on she went to give me chapter and verse on the subject. Surely not! Toilet humour in a computer? Now that really is progress!

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At the time, the farmhouse was called Holly House, and the name wasn't changed to Church Farm until some time around 1890, some one hundred and thirty years after the house was built. The farmhouse is now furnished to the period 1900-1910 and the room settings are styled as if the inhabitants have just stepped out for a while. Explore this lovely building and don't forget to peep into the washhouse; do you remember wash days and bath tins?

Other attractions at The Village include the Withern Cottage (a mud and stud cottage), WW1 - WW2 exhibition, Boothby barn, Cow Byre along with forge and workshops that house many wonderful and fascinating artefacts from a bygone age - not forgetting our wonderful tea room and gift shop of course.

Our most famous resident at The Village.

Bob the traction engine was built in 1892 by Richard Hornsby & Sons of Grantham. He was exported to Tasmania, along with seven of his brothers, in February of the same year. Whilst working in Tasmania Bob had three owners before sadly being retired to become the main attraction in a children's playground. He was purchased for the Museum of Lincolnshire Life and brought back to England for restoration in 1988.

Bob now takes pride of place here at The Village, Church Farm where he is paired with a Hornsby threshing drum. Sadly Bob is once more in need of repair before we can use him. Please help us raise the money needed to do this. All donations are gratefully received no matter how small.



Living History Days

The museum runs live history days for school parties and groups. We are able to cater for group visits of up to 100 people. We offer free pre-planning support and guidance with educational visits and group tours. Our team of enthusiastic volunteers are on hand to enable visitors to learn more about life on the farm from Victorian times up until the 1940's.

We also offer conference facilities, so if you need a training room or venue hire please get in touch. The Havenhouse function room is ideal for:

- Meetings and Conferences
- Childrens' Parties
- Drama Classes
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Not only is The Village a truly fascinating place to visit and an experience not to be missed, it's on your doorstep!! so please visit us very soon!!

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Events for 2107

September 10th - The Village Funday

September 23rd & 24th - Vintage Vehicle & Oil Engines

October 28th - Halloween at The Village

November 11th - 1940's Dinner Dance

November 12th - Ghost Hunt 'live'

December 2nd & 3rd - Victorian Christmas Market

Please check our website or Facebook page for 2018 for all additional / forthcoming events.



Entry by Donation!

Admission to the museum is by donation, we receive no direct aid and rely heavily on donations to preserve the site for future generations. Although there is a charge for admission to our special events, become a member and you will get free admission to events for 12 months as well as other benefits. Volunteers are a vital part of the Village Church Farm. Everybody has the potential to be a great volunteer. Whatever your reason for volunteering and for however long you can commit, we'd love to hear from you! Interested ?

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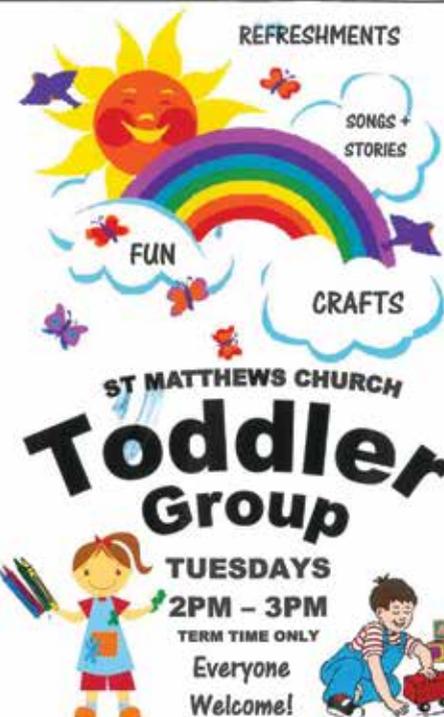
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Here is the solution
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crossword.

ACROSS:

- 1, Amazed.
- 4, Others.
- 8, Peter.
- 9, Zebedee.
- 10, Accuser.
- 11, Endue.
- 12, Scripture.
- 17, Shrub.
- 19, Abashed.
- 21, Foolish.
- 22, Upset.
- 23, Loathe.
- 24, Lesser.

DOWN:

- 1, Appeal.
- 2, Attacks.
- 3, Earns.
- 5, Tableau.
- 6, Ended.
- 7, Shekel.
- 9, Zarephath.
- 13, Rubbish.
- 14, Ephesus.
- 15, Useful.
- 16, Editor.
- 18, Rhoda.
- 20, Abuse.

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The importance of business in the community is the key reason that the Skegness Partnership now Skegness Coastal Communities Team instigated the awards. There was a strong feeling that many businesses and business people did not get the recognition that they deserve. The awards were developed to showcase and reward them. Dealing as we do, with businesses in the town on a day to day basis, we may underestimate the challenges they face. Rising costs, suppliers and logistics issues, legal and accounting requirements, structural changes in the role of business and personal problems of their own and their staff. For our community to be sustained and to thrive we need a range of businesses and services and many open their doors and provide a service day in and day out, let us take a moment to say thank you or better still to nominate them for an award.

The last two years have revealed many worthy winners. In Year one Natureland was overall winner and last year the mantle went to Little Learners Day Care. Both of these businesses have benefited enormously from the Awards. They report the thrill of success and recognition from their peers, the positive impact on their teams and also a direct and positive impact on their businesses which take a commercial boost from the award.

If this article brings to mind a business that you value please nominate them through the business awards website www.skegnessbusinessawards.co.uk

This year there are 10 categories

- Best New Business
- Retailer of the Year
- Accommodation Provider of the Year
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- Best Entertainment 2017
- Best Place to Eat
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Skegness Big Clean

Skegness Chamber members took positive action against the scourge of cigarette ends building on our streets last Thursday. Eight Chamber members and many volunteers from the Destination BID Ambassador Project tackled piles of butts and other rubbish with brushes and brooms of their own. The Town Council cleansing team gave their blessing and support as they struggle to cope with the increased volumes of rubbish that the visitors bring.

Tony Tye Chairman of Skegness Chamber of Trade and Commerce said “Visitors usually say how much they appreciate the cleanliness of our town, but this year we have feedback that the town is looking grubby. We have spoken with the town cleansing team and we understand the pressure they are under with reduced resources. It’s not their fault, we appreciate their very hard work, nothing has changed there, but we need to do something so we decided to act now. Whilst our team sweep and bag the rubbish I will be talking to the businesses along High Street and Lumley Road and asking them to add their frontage to their daily cleaning routine. We cannot afford to let our standards drop, it makes good business sense”.

The cleaning team were delighted with the response from the businesses and the public who recognised the effort and appreciated the improvement. Afterwards the team were rewarded with complimentary drinks courtesy of Mooch.





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We hope you are enjoying reading Shoreline each month. We are working to improve the magazine each month and we would appreciate any feedback from you.

Each month we show the Church Diary Dates. We would like to have a page of Community Diary Dates but we need you to tell us those dates. If you know of any event that is happening in the area please do let us know so that we can add it to the diary. The more people who know the more support you will get at your event!

Wednesday 13 September 10.30 am – 12 noon The Butterfly Hospice
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Tuesday 26 September 1 pm - 3 pm Tea with T.E.D. at The Storehouse, Skegness This event is free to over 50's and is a chance to come and say hello to the T.E.D. Team. Find out more about the project and see how T.E.D. can support older people who would like to get more involved in the community and find out what's happening in the local area. Or, just enjoy a free cup of tea or coffee, cake and a chat!

From the Registers

As Shoreline is produced by the Skegness Group of Parishes, we thought you might like information from our Register each month.

Baptism

Wyatt-Dean Connor, Rogan Scragg, Freddy Yarnold

Marriage

Tony Sharpe and Eleanor Strong, Kyle Young and Amy Smith, James Warren and Kathleen Hayward

Cecil Allen and Beverley Hook, Ashley Booth and Blair Connolly, Jonathan Buck and Amy Taylor

Matthew Hewson and Kodie Morris, Marcus Norwood and Samantha Cooley

R.I.P.

Mary Cowpe, Colin Holmes, Audrey Nichols, Doreen Hancock

Church Diary Dates September 2017

Friday 8th	10.00 am - 12 noon - St Matthew Skegness, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Saturday 9th	10.00 am – 1.00 pm St Peter & St Paul, Ingoldmells, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Sunday 10th	9.30 am – St Mary Winthorpe service of Holy Communion
Sunday 10th	9.30 am - St Clements Skegness service of Morning Worship
Sunday 10th	11.00 am - St Matthew Skegness Group service of Holy Communion
Sunday 10th	11.00 am - St Peter & St Paul Addlethorpe service of Morning Worship
Tuesday 12th	10.30 am - St Clement Skegness service of Holy Communion
Tuesday 12th	2.00 pm – 3.00 pm St Matthew Skegness, Toddlers Group
Wednesday 13th	10.00 am – 1.00 pm St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Wednesday 13th	10.00 am – St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells service of Holy Communion
Wednesday 13th	2 pm – 4pm St Matthew Church Skegness, Omega
Friday 15th	10.00 am - 12 noon St Matthew Skegness, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Saturday 16th	10.00 am – 1.00 pm St Peter & St Paul, Ingoldmells, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Sunday 17th	9.30 am St Clement Skegness service of Holy Communion
Sunday 17th	11.00 am St Matthew Skegness service of Morning Worship
Sunday 17th	11.00 am St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells service of Holy Communion
Tuesday 19th	10.30 am - St Clement Skegness service of Holy Communion
Tuesday 19th	2.00 pm – 3.00 pm St Matthew Skegness, Toddlers Group
Wednesday 20th	10.00 am St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells service of Holy Communion
Wednesday 20th	10.00 am – 1.00 pm St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Thursday 21st	2 pm – 4pm St Clements Community Hall, Skegness, New Horizons
Friday 22nd	10.00 am - 12 noon at St Matthew Skegness, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Saturday 23rd	10.00 am – 1.00 pm St Peter & St Paul, Ingoldmells, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Sunday 24th	9.30 am – St Mary Winthorpe service of Morning Worship & Harvest Celebrations
Sunday 24th	9.30 am - St Clement Skegness Morning Worship & Harvest Celebrations
Sunday 24th	9.30 am - St Nicholas Addlethorpe service of Holy Communion & Harvest Celebrations
Sunday 24th	11 am - St Matthew Skegness service of Holy Communion & Harvest Celebrations
Sunday 24th	11 am - St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells service of Morning Worship & Harvest Celebrations
Sunday 24th	6 pm – St Matthew Skegness, Memorial Service
Tuesday 26th	10.30 am - St Clement Skegness service of Holy Communion
Tuesday 25th	2.00 pm – 3.00 pm St Matthew Skegness, Toddlers Group
Wednesday 27th	10.00 am - St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells service of Holy Communion
Wednesday 27th	10.00 am – 1.00 pm St Peter & St Paul Ingoldmells, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Friday 29th	10.00 am - 12 noon at St Matthew Skegness, Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Saturday 30th	10.00 am – 1.00 pm St Peter & St Paul, Ingoldmells, Pop in for a coffee and a chat

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