

All Saints News



SEPTEMBER 2023

Including news from the village of Eyke and surrounding area.

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Vicars Voice September 2023

September, and the children are back to school, with new uniforms an age size larger or length longer, due that summer growth spurt, and for some who are starting new schools, a new uniform altogether, along with the joint excitement and trepidation of starting in a new place, new teachers to get used to, new classrooms and surroundings to explore and of course, new friends to be made.



September is also the time when we begin to see the leaves on the trees change colour, and the autumn draws us in ready for the coming winter. Animals gather food in autumn in preparation for the coming winter an hibernation, and those with fur often grow thicker coats. Many birds migrate toward the Equator to escape the falling temperatures.

The poet John Keats wrote his poem **To Autumn**:
Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eves run;
To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core;
To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells
With a sweet kernel; to set budding more,
And still more, later flowers for the bees,
Until they think warm days will never cease,
For summer has o'er-brimm'd their clammy cells.

September is also a time when we begin to prepare for the harvest season, In the bible, in the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy, we are told to



'Celebrate the Harvest Festival, to honour the LORD our God, by bringing Him a freewill offering in proportion to the blessing he has given you'

This is why at harvest we fill the church with flowers, vegetables and wheat, as a thank you to God for providing all we need for nourishment and sustainability.

This year as usual, we will be donating all Harvest proceeds to families who are find the Cost of Living Crisis a struggle.

All donations and contributions to these Harvest Celebrations will be gratefully received.

Happy Harvest!! With Love and Blessings, *Rev Mandy*

Services in Bromeswell, Eyke, Rendlesham, & Wantisden Parish Churches in September & early October

Sunday 3rd September (Trinity 13)

9.30am Eyke	Holy Communion	Rev. Mandy Reynold
11.00am Bromeswell	Morning Praise	Greg Gooch
11.00am St Felix'	Holy Communion	Rev. Mandy Reynolds

Wednesday 6th September

10.00am St Felix'	Holy Communion	Rev. Mandy Reynolds
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Sunday 10th September (Trinity 14)

9.30am Bromeswell	Morning Prayer	Stephen Nicholls
9.30am St Gregs	Holy Communion	Rev Mandy Reynolds
11.00am St Felix'	Holy Communion	Rev Mandy Reynolds

Sunday 17th September (Trinity 15)

9.30am Eyke	Morning Prayer	Rev. Kathy Wilson
9.30am Bromeswell	Holy Communion	Rev. Kevan McCormack
11.00am St Felix'	Morning Praise	Greg Gooch

Sunday 24th September (Trinity 16)

9.30am St Greg's	Morning Prayer	Stephen Nicholls
11.00am Bromeswell	Holy Communion	Rev Mandy Reynolds
11.00am St Felix'	Holy Communion	Rev Kevan McCormack

Sunday 1st (Harvest Festival tbc)

9.30am Eyke	Holy Communion	Rev Mandy Reynolds
9.30.00am Bromeswell	Morning Praise	Greg Gooch
11.00am St Felix'	Holy Communion	Rev Mandy Reynolds

CAN WE HELP?

For some, the school holidays may be a time which brings its own concerns, due to extra child-care issues, struggling with finances and finding enough to do which will keep the children occupied without resorting to the X-box, I-pad or streaming Netflix. At St Felix, we would like to help if we can, and for those who need that extra little top-up, maybe the following will help you



Rendlesham Community Top Up Shop Summer Holiday Food Bags

Starting July 21st until Sept 1st,
Every Friday from 4.30pm – 6.30pm
at St Felix Church



A ready made bag of food essentials will be available for £2.

Each bag will contain the same items to help support your family throughout the summer holidays. Products will however differ from week to week.

If you need help to access this due to work or family commitments

please email: Christinahelen@hotmail.com

Table Sale – Saturday 16th September 2023

10.00am – 1.00pm
8.00am for sellers

Tables £10.00

Entrance fee for buyers 0.50p

To reserve a table

Please contact Lynn on 07816 870201 or Peter on 0781 144179

Alternatively email rogers_l1@sky.com

All proceeds to Eyke Village Hall

EYKE VILLAGE HALL FUNDRAISER

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2023

TEAMS UP TO 6 PEOPLE £5.00 PER PERSON

4PM DOORS OPEN

4.30PM QUIZ STARTS

6.00PM HALF TIME

WE WELCOME THE RETURN OF THE EYKE FETE BBQ TEAM, SERVING HOT FOOD:

- **HOT DOG OR BURGER £4.00 PER PERSON (PRE-ORDER ON ARRIVAL)**
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- **VEGETARIAN OPTION SAME PRICE**

6.45PM QUIZ CONTINUES

FOLLOWED BY A RAFFLE AT THE END OF THE NIGHT

PRIZES FOR THE WINNING TEAM

QUIZ MASTER – TINA ELLIS

SPECIAL GUEST “CLIVE MANN” WHO WILL BE ADJUDICATOR ON THE NIGHT

The hall will remain open for anyone that wants the opportunity to have a glass and catch up with friends after the quiz finishes

(FEEL FREE TO BRING SOMETHING FOR THE RAFFLE)

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LIQUID REFRESHMENT – GLASSES AVAILABLE FROM THE HALL

TO BOOK YOUR TEAM, PLEASE EMAIL JACQUIHOLDEN1@GMAIL.COM

PAYMENT WILL BE TAKEN ON THE NIGHT

Eyke Parish Council: Next Meeting. This will take place on Monday, 18th September at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, and members of the public are welcome.

Vacancy for Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Eyke Parish Council is looking for an enthusiastic person to take on the post of Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

The position is part time, 4 hours per week working from home. The hours of work are flexible, except for attendance at meetings, of which there are 6 per annum, on the second Monday of every other month at 7.00pm. There are occasional extra ad hoc meetings, to discuss time-sensitive issues, such as planning applications.

Salary will be based on the National Association of Local Council's pay scale, and is dependent upon qualifications and experience.

Duties include acting as an advisor to the council, agenda preparation, minute taking, dealing with correspondence, liaising with District and County Councils, filing and accounts. Administration of the parish council website would be an asset, although not for the moment essential.

Prior experience would be an advantage but again not essential, and clerk training is available through Suffolk Association of Local Councils. The outgoing clerk will be happy to offer support.

If you are interested in applying, please contact eyke.pc@hotmail.co.uk or phone Jackie 07486629701 for an informal discussion.

Footnote: It is an ideal job for someone who wants to be involved in the village community, and a local applicant would be really welcome!

Village Hall Update September 2023

Work on the Hall got restarted in the summer after a short break, with most effort being focused on our smart new porch and toilets. It will then be the turn of the other end of the building, with plastering and a new floor in the former stage area. Hopefully the whole area should be opened up to use by Christmas, substantially increasing the total available space in the Hall.

Meanwhile, fundraising continues! We are still waiting patiently on the result of our National Lottery bid – they tell us they are processing a very large number of applications – but we have been lucky enough to receive some generous recent donations from local people. Paid-for events are also now providing a stream of income.

In terms of these events, as is to be expected, the Hall was relatively quiet during the summer months – but things are now picking up again. Here are a few dates for your diary, with more to come:

16 September: Table Sale followed by Quiz

7th October Harvest Supper (details in due course)

18 November: Wine tasting evening (details in due course)

25 November: Christmas Fayre

2 December: Sunshine Club jumble sale

31 December: the now-legendary New Year party!

There are also plans in the pipeline for, among other things, a coffee morning and a Crafts group. Please do get in touch with Lynn and Peter at rogers_11@sky.com if you would like to use the Hall for a public or private event – we are always happy to hear from you.

The Village Hall Committee