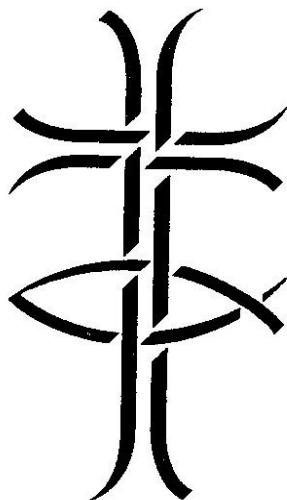


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## November 2015

# The Week at a Glance, Church Records, Birthday

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SUNDAY	<b>10.30</b> Morning Worship with Junior Church for children of all ages, and crèche. Coffee etc. served at close of Worship. Communion: 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday evening at <b>6.30 p.m.</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday morning at <b>10.30 a.m.</b> Other Sunday evenings:
	6.30 p.m. Prayer and Praise
Tuesday:	9.15 to 11.30 'Open House' (in term-time)
	1.30 p.m. Bible Study at Manse (24 Nov, 1 Dec)
	7 p.m. Faith and Fellowship
Wednesday	2 p.m. Friendship Hour (4 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> )
Thursday:	10 a.m. to noon Coffee Morning
Friday	6.30 & 8 p.m. Pilots (in term-time)

## FUNERALS

25 September: Alisa Ehlert  
8 October: Val Radford  
13 October: Douglas Wright

## BIRTHDAY

## LOLA CROSS

Lola will be 9 on 4th November. She is hoping to have a sleepover party and a first ride on a horse! She doesn't know which presents she would like apart from lots of surprises! She is just starting to learn to play the guitar at school, and enjoying it very much.

### **Hornsea Music Society**

**April Grime (mezzo-soprano)**

**Andrew Powis (tenor)**

**With Frank James (piano)**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 7.30 p.m.**

*Live Music in Hornsea URC, the home of Hornsea Music Society*

**Thank you****Janette Gray**

I would like to thank the church for the beautiful flowers I received recently. They were very much appreciated.

**Peter Darley**

We have been saddened to hear of the death of Peter Darley. Those of us who have worshipped at Hornsea URC for a while have had the privilege of many visits from Peter, a lay preacher and member at South Ella URC. Peter was a man of deep faith, quietly held, and a unique way of sharing it from the pulpit. Our love and prayers are with Roma and the family.

**A Wednesday in York****Doreen Rogers**

Thanks to Margaret's skilful driving a Lions' Mini Bus full of us made our way to St.Columba's URC in York for the East Yorkshire Mission and Care Rally on Wednesday 7th October. Unfortunately due to two lots of road works we were ten minutes late, but ,because they knew we were going, the minister and one other were waiting outside for us and things did not get going until we were settled.

Mrs Judy Laws, the convener of the committee, chaired the meeting and Rev. Alison Micklem, who was ordained there earlier this year, was the speaker. Alison was previously a very experienced Church Related Community Worker and she talked about her early days in that job. One day she was cleaning graffitti from a down-town church in Lancashire. A small boy started to talk to her and asked if he could help. Off he went home to change and soon arrived back to give a hand. Other children passed by and one asked, "Is this your church?" The small boy, replied, " Don't be stupid. It is God's Church." Out of the mouths of babes!!!! That boy became a regular attender and helper. And we went on to hear more stories like that. Wonderful.

## **The Minister writes...**

Dear friends,

Things have certainly changed in the manse over the last couple of months. The number of permanent residents has gone down to three and, whilst it is not quite a case of 'empty nest' syndrome, it certainly makes a difference. For one thing, the morning bathroom queue has got shorter. But whilst our shampoo consumption has gone down, oddly our milk consumption seems to have gone up!

With two of our household now making new lives for themselves at University, new chapters are opening and old ones are closing. So we are in a time of adjustment – and not just in our shopping habits. It is a reminder to us that change is a natural, and a necessary, part of life.

All of this sets me off in a philosophical mood. It makes me think about how we deal with change in our lives. How we cope with change is a significant part of who we are as people. Generally speaking, we do tend to show great resilience.

One of the key factors in that resilience, it seems to me, is our capacity to hope. (I noticed recently, being dragged around a department store on a very early Christmas shopping expedition, that the word 'hope' seemed to crop up printed on all kinds of ornaments and soft furnishings, second in frequency only to the word 'love'.)

You can look up for yourselves the dictionary definition of hope. I would suggest that there are three things to say hope is NOT.

1. Hope is not a naïve belief that, despite evidence to the contrary, the world is always going to be kind to us.
2. Hope is not an arrogant belief that we are the exception to the rule that sometimes people struggle with life.
3. Hope is not a superstitious belief that we can expect some mysterious protection from the evils of the world.

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So what is hope? To me, it is the ability to step out onto the path to the future, with all its uncertainties, with an inner assurance that the journey is worth making.

Our capacity to hope does seem to be hard-wired into us but as people of faith our hope takes a very particular shape. Our hope is founded on the belief that God is with us on the journey, and that our strength to meet and embrace the challenges of the journey will ultimately come from him.

November is a solemn month, it always seems to me. It is the month of remembrance, when we look back at past conflicts and past lives. The more we look back, the more the theme of future hope presses itself on us.

We will hear a whole lot more about this word, 'hope', as we begin the Advent journey at the end of this month. There will be plenty also about the way we understand our God to be sharing our human journey, and in this the person of Jesus comes to the fore.

Meanwhile, we continue to deal with the everyday challenges that change brings – seeking God's strength, embracing his future, and putting our hope in him.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jamie Kruach". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

## Thanks

David Radford and family would like to thank the elders and members of Hornsea URC for all their love and support during our time of bereavement and for the wonderful funeral service on 8th October. To date the donations in Val's memory amount to £600.

Mr Derek Thompson, a gentleman with a very wonderfully powerful voice was the soloist.

The afternoon concluded with a very good afternoon tea when we could meet and chat to members from other URCs and hear what is going on in their Churches, always very inspiring.

The York Church did us proud. Thank you.

### Recent Social Events

#### June Barton

The Musical Interlude held on Saturday 26 September began with the Aldbrough Outlaws giving a lively start to the day. This enthusiastic group of pupils from Aldbrough Primary School are a pleasure to behold as their energy and enjoyment comes through in every song they perform. When they left us they went on to busk in Newbegin and really pulled a crowd.

Our other artistes included Eileen and Simon Ashmead who performed some wonderful pieces for cello and piano. Keith Tucker followed with a medley of songs we all know and enjoy but unfortunately the audience for both of these was extremely small and disappointing. The fundraising team will endeavour to think of a different event to feature these artistes who deserve to be appreciated by a wider audience. The event raised £137.80.

**Hornsea URC – Christmas Delivery Service**  
**First posting – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Last post date – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December**  
***Get all your cards delivered around the town***

### Women's World Day of Prayer Conference

This happens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at Toll Gavel United Church Beverley. If you would like to go at this last minute, have a word with Margaret Knapton now (533576)

## Friendship Hour

November sees the end of the 2015 season for the Friendship Hour. To mark that fact there will be three meetings on consecutive Wednesdays.

On **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November** we welcome an old friend, Rev. Colin Wilson, on **11<sup>th</sup>** Jamie will lead the afternoon, and **18<sup>th</sup>** will be a Members' Meeting with a short revue of 2015 and thoughts on 2016. All the meetings will start at **2 p.m.** and will conclude with tea and chat.

We also look forward to a **New Year Meal** on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January** at 1 p.m. and plans are in hand for the 2016 season.

**BRUNCH – a treat often reserved for Saturdays**

**Spoil yourself and join us between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.  
On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

**All proceeds in aid of Beruda Charity  
Read much more about it on page 16**

## Town Remembrance Service.

There will be a town Remembrance Service and wreath-laying in the Memorial Gardens on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November** at about **12 noon**.

## Service Plus

Do be sure to make time to stay for the quarterly Church Meeting after worship on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November. With plans well in hand for various work in the Church itself, and well as much else, you do need to keep up to date.

## Quiet 'Day'

We are delighted that the Sisters of the Convent of Mercy in Eastgate are welcoming us for a time of quiet, from **10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November**. >>>>>>>

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<<<<< We have held these Quiet 'Days' several times now, and you are most welcome to come along. If you've not been before, obviously it is a quiet time, but will be interspersed with relevant thoughts for guidance during our time together.

Because of limited accommodation we will need to know who would like to come. Please speak to Kathy or Jamie if you have any queries, and also to leave your name if you wish to reserve a place.

### Shoebox Sunday

Lots of people are beavering away preparing Christmas Shoeboxes for children in Eastern Europe. These need to be despatched in good time for Christmas, so **the final date** for the collection of the boxes at church will be **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**, the day when we hold a joint service with our Methodist friends in our Church. Thank you for all your hard work.

### Sharing Bible thoughts for Advent

We have a series of informal meetings at the Manse planned for **Tuesdays** around Advent. There will be four meetings, each at **1.30 p.m.** for an hour, then tea and chat if you wish to stay a little while. Do come and join us, on **Tuesdays 24<sup>th</sup> November** and **1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December**. Ask Jamie or Jane for more details.

Tuesday evening meetings, **Faith and Fellowship**, continue on **Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. in Church**.

### Advent with the Fund-raising and Social Committee

#### June Barton

The theme for Hornsea's **Lights Night, Friday 27 November 6.00-8.00pm** will be festive lights inside with hot drinks and mince pies whilst outside we hope to have an array of festive decorations on sale.

**The Christmas Fayre which is on Saturday 28 November 10.00am – 3.00pm**, will feature all manner of crafts and gifts so there will be plenty of ideas for presents plus refreshments and light lunches will



## **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November: Mark 12:28-34.**

After turning over the tables in the Temple, Jesus has drawn quite a crowd and the attention of the Jewish authorities. These are often presented by Mark and the other gospel writers (Matthew 22.34-40) as confrontational, but this scribe is portrayed more sympathetically. He is genuinely interested in what Jesus has to say, and his response in verses 32-33 is almost prophetic; a real affirmation of Jesus' wisdom.

Scribes were professional interpreters and teachers of the law of Moses and questioning was one of their key strategies. With more than 600 commandments, it was common to debate which commandment was the most important. The discussion here is about what constitutes true holiness, and what it really means to live God's way. This conversation takes place in the Temple, where Jews were segregated from foreigners and those considered ceremonially unclean. This architecture reflected an 'us and them' mentality. Holiness was seen as separation from the world and its corruption. Jesus challenges this way of thinking and presents an idea of holiness which is far more inclusive than that of the scribes and Pharisees. He quotes the Shema (Deuteronomy 6.4-5), a spoken affirmation of Jewish identity as God's people, which urged them to love God with everything they had. And he couples loving God with the commandment to love our neighbours as ourselves (Leviticus 19.18). True holiness, for us as well as for Jesus' original hearers, means an attitude of love, for God and for the people around us.

## **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November: Mark 12:38-44**

This passage is part of an extended debate about authority which runs throughout Mark 12. In verses 38-40, Jesus accuses some of the scribes of self-importance and greed. The law of Moses insisted that widows and orphans should be treated with particular care and respect; but scribes, who often acted as trustees of widows' estates, were notorious for taking more than their fee. Jesus accuses them of being more concerned about their own status and oppressing the very people

they are supposed to protect. In the Old Testament passage, Elijah meets a foreign widow – poverty cuts across the racial divide.

The offering that Jesus and his disciples witness was not an obligatory tax, but was expected of those who worshipped in the Temple. These funds enabled an amazing building to be built and maintained from quite a small population. But it was a huge burden for vulnerable people. The widow is often seen as a model of sacrificial giving, but she was also a victim of scribal greed. The weight of expectation leads her to put two small copper coins (worth about a fiftieth of a labourer's daily wage) into the Temple Treasury. This was everything she had and may have left her destitute.

The overarching theme of the passage is of concern for the poor and vulnerable, and of determination to see that justice is done. The challenge for us is to mirror this concern and determination in our attitudes and actions.

### **Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup>: Mark 13:1-8**

This passage comes directly before Mark's Passion narrative: Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, his trial, execution and resurrection. So Mark puts Jesus' suffering and triumph into the broader context of impending traumatic change for the disciples. These verses are known as the 'little apocalypse', and use a rich symbolism common to other apocalyptic writings, particularly Revelation and parts of Daniel. This 'crisis literature' has a clear emphasis on the end times, but is largely poetic and pastoral, rather than being a specific prediction of the end being nigh. Jesus seems to be urging his followers to stand firm in their faith, even when times are difficult and challenging. He reassures them that God is with them and can be trusted, and encourages them to 'keep the faith'.

Jesus' criticism of human authority continues, with a warning to the faithful about self-proclaimed messiahs with appealing but empty promises. Similarly, the Temple appears to be stable and impressive, but is ultimately fragile and vulnerable to destruction. The disciples

should reflect on who and what is a real source of security. The same, of course, applies to us. What do we put our hope and trust in when life becomes difficult and frightening?

A time of distress can often lead to something positive. The 'birth pangs' (v.8) of labour are extremely painful, but the result is life-giving and wonderful. In the midst of fear and confusion, Jesus' followers can look beyond the horizon to the birth of something godly and transforming.

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: John 18:33-37**

Jesus has been arrested and is on trial. He has already been questioned by the high priest and now faces Pontius Pilate, the Roman governor of Judea. The tone of their conversation is ambiguous. Is Pilate playing with the Jewish authorities and using Jesus to ridicule them? (In John 19.15 he will provoke them to claim blasphemously that they have no king but Caesar.) Or is Pilate wrong-footed and disturbed by Jesus' presence? In fact, who is really on trial here? Pilate represents Rome's imperial power in Jerusalem and can be seen as a symbol of all earthly power. So the theme of questioning authority is raised. John presents Jesus as the ultimate source of authority, which is rooted elsewhere – 'My kingdom is not from this world' (v.36) – in the heavenly realm of truth. Are we ready to acknowledge this and let Jesus take authority over our lives?

There is a clear contrast between Pilate's rhetoric and Rome's strong-arm tactics on the one hand, and Jesus' gentleness on the other. This suggests a radically different method of ruling, which calls into question the way that earthly authorities express power. Jesus embodies humility and care for the harassed and downtrodden, and is willing to embrace rejection, suffering and death rather than oppress those over whom he has power. Those of us who follow Jesus are challenged to reflect on our own influence over others, and how we can use it in a Christ-like way.

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November: Luke 21:25-36

This passage contains a series of Jesus' apocalyptic sayings based on Mark 13, but in Luke's Gospel, they have a different flavour. In this 'little apocalypse', Jesus warns of the wars, famines, natural disasters and persecution of Christians that will follow the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. He talks about the unravelling of creation (v.25), as if Genesis 1 is being reversed. It is a catastrophic end-of-the-world scenario. However, Jesus is not just a prophet of doom and there is ultimately hope. The coming of the 'Son of Man', a reference to both the vision in Daniel 7.9-14, and Jesus' own resurrection, is a message of reassurance to those that keep the faith in troubled times.

Jeremiah was a prophet who lived through one of the most disruptive periods of Jewish history, including the fall of Jerusalem in 587 BC and the Babylonian exile. He is an honest and optimistic companion for those in a time of crisis. In the midst of destruction and despair, he prophesies that hope will come in the form of David (v.15), who would become Israel's greatest king.

In Luke 21.34 Jesus warns against using alcohol and physical pleasures as a release from anxiety and uses the sprouting fig tree as a sign of hope. In difficult times, Christians are encouraged to stay alert, to pray (v.36), and to put their trust in God, so that even if they are surrounded by disaster, they will not be swamped.

once again be available. Table hire is still at £6.00 so book your place now.

**Carol Singing** this year will take place on **Saturdays 12/19 December from 10.00- 11.30 am** in Newbegin. Be in good voice and come and join us to spread the good news. This year's good cause is the Hornsea Cottage Hospital League of Friends whose mission is to raise money for equipment in order to get more consultants' clinics to be established in Hornsea.

### **Bethlehem Bound!**

We are holding another morning of fun and celebration for Advent on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December**, from **10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to come along, young or old, for a morning thinking about, and putting into action, ideas to celebrate this special time of year. Singles or families, groups of friends, do come along, though we ask that children are accompanied by an adult please. All free!

### **Dates for Singing in the Residential Homes**

The Promenade: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 p.m.  
Stuart House: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 3 p.m.  
Summerville Hall: Thursday 12 November at 2 p.m.

## **Advent is Coming and so is the Giant Advent Calendar**

### **Sarah Darlington**

It is with great delight we are able to announce that the Giant Advent Calendar will be created for the second time this year.

Once again this will take the form of a small garden shed (which has gained the fond title of the Advent Shed!) to be located in front of the Methodist Church in Newbegin, hopefully in a less windy location than last year, but no further details available at time of going to press.

Our friends in the Methodist Church have agreed to take on the administrative role of ensuring that as many groups from the town >>>>

<<<<< join in so that a different display in the Shed can be shown on each of the 26 days of Advent.

**Advent Sunday** this year is **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November** and after morning worship, at 11.45 a.m. we will gather with our Methodist friends for the opening of the first display of Advent.

Do join us if you can and be sure to take a moment in your busy day to stop and wonder at the display in the Shed. Let's keep the true meaning of the Christmas story alive and well in our hearts throughout the Advent Season.

## Prayer Network – Prayers for Concern in November

The National Health Service  
Shoeboxes  
Quiet Day  
Advent

## A Card for every House in Hornsea

North Holderness Churches Together has again taken up the challenge of delivering a Christmas card from all the churches with good wishes for the Christmas season and details of festive celebrations in each church.

To accomplish this, we need help from volunteers at the end of November to deliver a handful of cards to houses near you, or where you can manage. As usual we will be asking for offers of help in Church, or get in touch with Jane or Sarah. Many thanks.

## Our Christmas Card Board

Again we invite you to send and share Christmas greetings with Church friends by writing **one** Christmas card to **everyone** at Church. These cards will be displayed at the front of the Church each week, and then pinned on the 'postcards' notice board. >>>>

<<< If you would like to make a donation as a token of your Christmas Greetings to your friends, it will go to Hornsea Cottage Hospital League of Friends. A box for cards and donations will be provided at the front of the Church. Please mark your envelope clearly 'For the Church' so your card does not get confused with our Delivery Service cards. Thank you.

### **Christmas Delivery Service Jackie Bradley – our Postmistress**

It's now October and I need to get up into the loft to find my 'Sorting Office' for the Christmas cards. I know it's in a box, the question is , which one?

Hopefully the post boxes will go into Whittles Chemist, the Beach Hut Café and the Church on or around **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November**. Please remember that the cards can only be delivered in Hornsea, and we cannot deliver to any villages. Please, please, please address them fully and clearly with as much detail as possible to help us get them all to the correct houses. We ask for a minimum just 25p for each card to be delivered, which is far cheaper than Royal Mail. The money can be popped into the box with the cards.

The last day of posting will be **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December**. I'm sorry it seems so early but I need to sort all the cards out to be given to my trusty band of post people on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December. This gives them nearly two weeks to make their deliveries. If I leave it till the next week, it is rather late, so please post early.

I am trusting that everyone who helped last year will be free again this year! The more people that help, the quicker the job.

### **Welcome to Christmas**

#### **Jean Barrett and Carol Rutherford**

Will you be on your own on Christmas Day?  
We will be cooking Christmas Lunch in the Church Hall on Christmas Day. It is for people who would otherwise be alone. >>>

<<<<< There will be a small charge and numbers will be limited to 20-25. Please let Carol (533054) or Jean (532857) know as soon as possible if you would like to come.

### **Brunch for Beruda**

#### **Sarah Darlington**

You may have thought that things have been a bit quiet on the BERUDA (Belo Rural Development Association, NW Cameroon) front, but rest assured, the project is very much alive and new ideas are afoot.

Since the last update, the fish farm is now in production and Project Manager John Pepper is in the process of trying to bring a sustainable pig farm project into being. If £5,000 can be obtained through business funding this project will manage to sustain the BERUDA Project for many years to come, the idea being that pigs are bought, grown and then sold at market when new piglets are bought to rear and the cycle continues providing a regular form of income. These plans are to help the local community to help themselves to eradicate poverty and raise the living standards for everyone.

It would be wonderful if we could send another tranche of money out to BERUDA before Christmas. Last year, through your efforts, we were able to extend the project from just helping the young, disabled and women receive education and training, to include the isolated, widows and elderly people and give them a Christmas gift and a Christmas party FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THEIR LIVES! Just £1 buys a gift of some rice. We were also able to effect repairs to the dwellings of the elderly and provide solar lighting to help them move about safely during the dark evenings and nights.

To date this year, through your generosity and support, a total of £1,130 has been raised through sale of CDs produced by Keith Tucker, coffee mornings, donations, a table top sale and the latest venture of a series of Colour Analysis afternoons and evenings! As the Tesco saying goes "every little helps" which it really does. So, I am setting the bar high, by hoping to raise a further £870 by the end of the year to



make a grand total sent to Beruda of £2,000 during 2015!!  
If you are able to attend any of the following fund raising events and help the people of the BERUDA Project that would be marvellous.

1. Colour Analysis afternoons/evenings at Willows Drive
2. (Please make a booking for you and your friends for a fun time deciding which colours suit you best)
3. Personal Shopper trips to choose that special outfit!
4. Accessories obtained to order (handbags, scarves, jewellery etc)
5. Brunch for BERUDA – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 10am until 2pm in the Church Hall  
(Delicious bacon rolls, refreshments, clothes and fashion items, bric a brac, tombola and much more!

If you require further details of any event or just want to give a donation, please speak to me at any time. I can be found down at Church at Thursday Coffee Morning or on Sunday morning or you can ring me on 01964 534553.

Thank you all for supporting the BERUDA Project and helping and empowering the people of North West Cameroon find ways of helping themselves to a better and sustainable future.

### *Show You Care with Traidcraft*

*Last month I was asking people to take a Traidcraft catalogue and place an order and if possible to pass it on to a friend and ask them to do the same. Thank you to all who have done this as every purchase directly helps producers in the developing world.*



**The 22<sup>nd</sup> November is 'Stir up Sunday'.**

Stir-Up Sunday is so called for two reasons. The first is from the wording of the collect in the church service for the day which begins "Stir up, we beseech thee O Lord" and the second is because, >>>>

traditionally, this was the day upon which the Christmas Pudding should be made in order for it to have time to mature before Christmas Day.

Do you remember some of these traditions :- everyone in the family had to stir the pudding; you had to stir it East to West in honour of the Wise Men; 13 ingredients had to be used; a coin was added to the ingredients to predict wealth for the one who found it (usually an old silver sixpence or threepenny bit).

Many of the traditions around the Christmas Pudding are disappearing fast due to the quality and availability of the ready made variety but why not put a bit of romance back into this Christmas and make your own – it is not too difficult.

By using fairly traded fruit you will be helping people like Pieter van Wyk, a farmer in the Eksteenskui Agricultural Co-operative (EAC), South Africa who says “If it was not for Traidcraft helping us all these years, every one of us would leave this place.”

Farmers at EAC grow the grapes that become Fairtrade, sun-dried raisins and sultanas used in Traidcraft products, including our Christmas cake and Christmas puddings. Many of these small-scale farmers work small, uneconomic pieces of land and some still lack electricity and piped water. Through working with Traidcraft, EAC has been able to fund the purchase of fertilisers and machinery, improve irrigation and invest in training and business support.

Here is a Mary Berry recipe for you to try:-

### Ingredients

- ! 90 g (3.2oz) self-raising flour
- ! 125 g (4.4oz) shredded vegetable suet or grated chilled butter
- ! 30 g (1.1oz) blanched almonds, shredded
- ! 125 g (4.4oz) carrot, grated
- ! 250 g (8.8oz) **raisins (fairly traded)**
- ! 125 g (4.4oz) currants
- ! 125 g (4.4oz) **sultanas (fairly traded)**
- ! 125 g (4.4oz) fresh breadcrumbs
- ! 0.25 tsp grated nutmeg
- ! 60 g (2.1oz) mixed candied peel, chopped

- ! 90 g (3.2oz) **light muscovado sugar (fairly traded)**
- ! 1 lemon, grated zest and juice
- ! 2 eggs, beaten
- ! 1 cup butter for greasing
- ! 75 ml (2.6fl oz) dark rum or brandy
- ! 1 cup brandy butter, to serve

1. In a large bowl, combine the flour, suet or butter, almonds, carrot, raisins, currants, sultanas, breadcrumbs, nutmeg, candied peel, sugar, and lemon zest. Add the lemon juice and eggs, and stir until well combined.
2. Lightly butter a 1.25 litre (2 pint) pudding bowl. Spoon in the mixture and level the surface. Cover with buttered greaseproof paper, then foil, both pleated in the middle. Secure the paper and foil in place by tying string under the rim of the bowl.
3. Put the bowl into a steamer or saucepan of simmering water. Make sure the water comes halfway up the side of the bowl. Cover and steam, topping up with boiling water as needed, for about 6 hours.
4. Remove the bowl from the steamer or pan and leave to cool. Remove the paper and foil covering. Make a few holes in the pudding with a fine skewer, and pour in the rum or brandy.
5. Cover the pudding with fresh greaseproof paper and foil. Store in a cool place for up to 3 months. To reheat for serving, steam the pudding for 2-3 hours. Serve at once, with brandy butter.

**The next issue of this Newsletter** is a double issue for December and January . Please speak to Sarah or Jane **NOW** if you wish an item included so space can be reserved. After the deadline, **FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER**, it is too late to save space. Issue available Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Please give your material to Sarah or Jane or e mail to [jane.martin303@btinternet.com](mailto:jane.martin303@btinternet.com) or [sarah.darlington538@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.darlington538@gmail.com).

***Don't forget 'Bethlehem Bound'***  
***Saturday 5 December 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (see page 13)***

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>1</b>	10.30 a.m. Elders' Service 6.30 p.m. Rev. Jamie Kissack: Communion
	<b>8</b>	Remembrance Sunday 10.30 a.m. Rev. Jamie Kissack: Communion About 12 noon Town Remembrance Day Service in the Memorial Gardens
	<b>15</b>	10.30 a.m. Rev. Jamie Kissack: Service Plus
	<b>22</b>	Shoebox Sunday 10.30 a.m. Rev. Jamie Kissack Joint Service with the Methodists in our Church
	<b>29</b>	Advent Sunday 10.30 a.m. Rev. Jamie Kissack:
		<b>Evenings (except 1st) at 6.30 p.m. Prayer and Praise</b>

**And into December**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>6</b>	10.30 a.m. Rev. Jamie Kissack 6.30 p.m. Rev. Jamie Kissack: Communion
Monday	<b>2</b>	10 to 3 Women's World Day of Prayer Conference at Toll Gavel United Church, Beverley
Wednesday	<b>4</b>	2 p.m. Friendship Hour: Rev. Colin Wilson
Saturday	<b>7</b>	10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 'Brunch' for Beruda
Monday	<b>9</b>	2.30 p.m. Singing at The Promenade
Tuesday	<b>10</b>	3 p.m. Singing at Stuart House
Wednesday	<b>11</b>	2 p.m. Friendship Hour: Rev. Jamie Kissack 7.30 p.m. Elders' Meeting
Thursday	<b>12</b>	2 p.m. Singing at Summercourt Hall
Sunday	<b>15</b>	11.45 a.m. Church Meeting
Wednesday	<b>18</b>	2 p.m. Friendship Hour: AGM
Saturday	<b>21</b>	10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Quiet 'Day' at the Convent of Mercy, Eastgate
Sunday	<b>22</b>	10.30 a.m. Shoebox Sunday
Friday	<b>27</b>	6 p.m. Lights' Night
Saturday	<b>28</b>	10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Christmas Fayre
Sunday	<b>29</b>	11.45 a.m. Unveiling of Town Advent Calendar
<b>And December ...</b>		
Friday	<b>4</b>	2.30 p.m. Pastoral Visitors' meeting in Church
Saturday	<b>5</b>	10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bethlehem Bound