

# Rural Round-up

The newsletter linking the parishes of Kirmington, Croxton, Brocklesby,  
Great Limber, Melton Ross & New Barnetby

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## Croxton

**St John the Evangelist Church.** Photo by Richard



Croft. Services will continue to be in the church unless restrictions change. The next two services will be Sun 14<sup>th</sup> March and Sun 11<sup>th</sup>

April. The first of these is Mothering Sunday. One of the readings for this is Exodus 2. 1-10. It tells us of Moses being rescued from the reeds by Pharaoh's daughter and brought up as her son. How many people remember the story of Moses in the bulrushes? April 11<sup>th</sup> is the second Sunday of Easter when the psalm of the day is 133 "How good it is to live in unity."

**A plaque** has been put on the church gate to indicate that there is a war grave in the churchyard which can be found near the church door. It is in memory of Sergeant Navigator Timothy I 'Anson Dee R.A.F.V.R. aged 20 years who died 16<sup>th</sup> December 1943. Wendy Forman Church Warden.

**Sergeant Navigator Timothy I 'Anson Dee R.A.F.V.R.**



Son of Ernest & Annie Dee of Croxton, Timothy, a crew member of Lancaster DS737, was based at Linton-on-Ouse in the Vale of York. On the evening of December 16<sup>th</sup>, 1943, DS737 joined a force of 483 Lancaster & 10 Mosquito planes tasked with bombing Berlin, Germany. After a successful mission, returning aircraft were met with a thick layer of fog resulting in many crashes. It became known as "Black Night". DS737 made Linton but was diverted to Topcliffe, then re-diverted to Leeming. It is highly probable they ran out of fuel. DS737 crashed some ten miles north-east of Thirsk between the villages of Boltby and Hawnbly, at 23.30hrs, on an area of land known locally as Murton Common. Timothy died in the crash along with 3 crewmates. The pilot survived but died of his injuries 2 days later, leaving 2 survivors from the crew of seven. More information can be found on the website [yorkshire-aircraft.co.uk](http://yorkshire-aircraft.co.uk).

**Donations** to St John's can be made by contacting me or Patrick Forman (Treasurer) on 01652 688799. Wendy Forman, Churchwarden.

## Dates for your diary

**Mar 13<sup>th</sup> Six Nations Cup.** England v France.

**March 14<sup>th</sup> Mothering Sunday**

**Mar 21<sup>st</sup> Spring Equinox.** An equinox is the moment in time (not a day-long event) when the Sun stands directly above the equator and day and night are of approximately equal length.

**Apr 1<sup>st</sup> Royal Maundy Thursday** - commemorates the Washing of the Feet (Maundy) and the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles before his crucifixion. Royal Maundy an ancient ceremony, inspired by The Bible. The reigning Monarch distributes specially minted coins each year to selected men and women who have given service to the church and their communities.

**Apr 2<sup>nd</sup> – Good Friday** – commemorates the crucifixion of Christ

**Apr 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday** – Christ's resurrection.

**Apr 10<sup>th</sup> – The Grand National.**

**Apr 4<sup>th</sup> – The Boat Race.**

## Reflection Lent 2021

It is possible that Covid-19 has made us see Lent differently. We have lived with a year of denial, fasting, of doing things differently. Lockdown had made us a Lenten people almost. Lockdown has also brought us temptations, some of them may have involved breaking Government guidance. Through



his time of temptation Jesus was able to come to terms with his baptism. Following his Baptism Jesus fled into the wilderness for forty days to get himself ready for his ministry. In the early church Lent was a time for people to prepare for their own baptism, and communities of people would be baptised together at Easter.

Lent takes us from winter into spring. It turns our gaze from a position of fasting and self-denial to a positive future, when salvation is offered through the cross and light will dawn on Easter morning.

In Lent we have these days in which we can deepen our relationship with God, and this year perhaps we need to be most kind to ourselves and each other.

*"The best thing about the future is that it comes one day at a time." – Abraham Lincoln*

To love as God loves us. Covid-19 and Lockdown has brought much hardship and struggle and has also had a devastating effect on people's mental health. I pray that we may come to the Easter morning rejuvenated, restored, and perhaps recovering also. We can use this time to regrow and rejuvenate, and to bring ourselves before God afresh at Easter.

*Blessings for Lent and Easter - Rev Lee*

### **Brocklesby Park Group with Croxton & The Wolds Services**

Please contact the Rev Lee for Zoom log on details.  
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#### **March 2021**

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Zoom	9.30	Holy Communion
7 <sup>th</sup>	Limber	9.30	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion
10 <sup>th</sup>	Zoom	9.30	Holy Communion
14 <sup>th</sup>	Croxton	9.30	Holy Communion (BCP)
	Elsham	11.00	Holy Communion
17 <sup>th</sup>	Zoom	9.30	Holy Communion
21 <sup>st</sup>	Kirmington	9.30	Holy Communion
	Bigby	11.00	Holy Communion
	Elsham	11.00	Family Service
24 <sup>th</sup>	Zoom	9.30	Holy Communion
28 <sup>th</sup>	Melton Ross	9.30	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion
31 <sup>st</sup>	Zoom	9.30	Holy Communion

#### **April 2021**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Zoom	1900	Maundy Communion
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Zoom	14.30	Good Friday Service
	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion
4 <sup>th</sup>	Limber	9.30	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Easter Communion
7 <sup>th</sup>	Zoom	9.30	Holy Communion
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<b>May</b>	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion

### **Great Limber**

**St Peter's Church.** To try to make up for lost income due to Covid/Lockdown restrictions, a charity box has been placed in Limber Village Stores for our church. Please give generously - our bills have not gone down! Big Thank You to Jayne for doing this for us. Donations may also be made to St Peter's by dropping into me or Treasurer John



Hoyle. Call John on 01469 561071 for banking information. *Maggie (churchwarden)*

### **Save our Seas & Save the Planet**

Unlike cosmetics, washing powder/softener manufacturers do not have to list every product used in production. Many contain microplastics that eventually find their way into our rivers and oceans. They cannot be filtered out at the sewage works. The following tips will help reduce your carbon footprint and prevent appliances and drains clogging up with limescale and soap residues. That, combined with using less detergent and no expensive softeners, makes sense all round. Cheaper and much more friendly!



1. Use a dessertspoon of washing soda in every wash and half the quantity of detergent.
2. Use a liquid detergent. Less abrasive than a powder therefore removes fewer micro fibres from clothes.
3. Replace fabric softener with white vinegar (half the quantity) in your washing machine. The acid of vinegar neutralises the alkali of the detergent left your fabric and has a similar effect on your washing machine and drainage system. Also use as rinse aid in your dish washer. That of the mechanical variety only - but there again.....!

Many hair products also contain microplastics as well as being housed in plastic dispensers. Replace with shampoo and conditioner bars which have become more available recently and work very well. Old fashioned bars of soap also recommended. Remember these? Currently got Wrights on the go downstairs and Pears upstairs. The new version of Wrights contains Tea Tree Oil instead of the banned coal tar but smells just as good!



### Children’s Corner

**Kirmington** PTFA Easter Trail Apr 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>. Prizes for spotting all the Easter paintings round the village. **Knock knock** jokes have become popular in lockdown so if you have already heard this one, I apologise! Knock, Knock. Who’s there? Theodore. Theodore who? The door wasn’t open, so I knocked! **This issue’s quiz** is really for you to test your Mum & Dad as well as have a go yourself. It is a combination of ancient and modern and based on two events that have shaped and will shape our lives. The crucifixion of Jesus Christ, thought to be around 33AD and the successful landing of the American space probe on Mars, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021. What an achievement by the all the scientists and engineers! The technology will filter down into everyday products to benefit us all.



Answers on last page.  
Picture - Jesus crucified between two thieves painting. C. 1450 Unterlinden Museum

1. Why was Jesus crucified?
2. Who ordered the crucifixion?
3. On what day of the year do was Jesus crucified?
4. Who betrayed Jesus to the Roman soldiers and how did he do it?

5. What was his payment for betraying him?
6. When did Jesus rise from the dead and who was the first to witness the empty tomb?
7. What is the name of the American space probe



- (pictured left) that landed on Mars?
8. What is the name of the robotic helicopter being used to scout the surface of Mars?
9. How long did it take

- to send and receive messages to and from the probe when it landed?
10. When was the probe launched?
11. How many miles has it travelled?
12. Which other two countries have launched Mars probes?

### Melton Ross

**Church of the Holy Ascension.** Donations may either be dropped into me at the Old Schoolhouse or, if you prefer, do a bank transfer to The Church of the Ascension Melton Ross, Barclays Sort Code 20-98-98, Acc. No. 53279057. I will supply a Gift Aid forms if required. Thank you. *Christine Wood, Churchwarden.* [chrissiewood2@hotmail.com](mailto:chrissiewood2@hotmail.com)



### Kirmington

**Bert Welman** (Albertus Willem) died in January aged 76 years. Dutch born and a founding director of freight forwarding company Titus Newsome, Immingham, Bert lived in Kirmington for nearly 50 of those years. On Feb 5<sup>th</sup> he was given a wonderful send off by villagers. Led by grandson Max (looking quite like the Artful Dodger) and the funeral director, the hearse drove round the village to loud applause. The family followed



in a collection of cars with eldest son Edward bringing up the rear in the company van - leaving us all with a smile. A celebration indeed! The

Crematorium service was Zoomed and watched by over 100 people. Julie and family would like to thank all those who have given support and especially the villagers who saluted his procession.

**Albert Girdham** died Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Albert and his late wife Christine lived on Limber Road for many years. A train driver for British Rail by profession, he also took on the mantle of the village chimney sweep. Late wife Christine was the teaching assistant for Bert & Norma Acum at the school. Our thoughts go to daughters Mary, Ann and Jean and their families.

**Maurice Patrick Lancaster** (Pat) Peacefully on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the Kensington Care Home, Immingham, Pat, aged 102, lived at the top of Gravel Pit Lane for many years. A dear uncle and a dear friend to many.

**Donations** for St Helena’s can be made online to Santander business account St Helen’s Church, Kirmington Sort code 090155 Acc. No. 59126700. (**Note: Helen’s not Helena’s.**) Alternatively, drop into me at 15, East End, Kirmington. *Nicky L’Angellier, Churchwarden.*

### Chuckle!

Gary was having a yard sale. A minister bought a lawn mower but returned it a few days later complaining that it wouldn’t run. “It’ll run,” said Gary. “But you have to curse at it to get it started.” The minister was shocked. “I have not uttered a curse in 30 years.” “Just keep pulling on the starter rope—the words will come back to you.” *LaVerne Lauterbach, Michigan*  
America’s Grace Brothers certainly serve up the right message!



*Photo boredpanda.*

### Brocklesby Country Fair

Has sadly been cancelled for 2021. The organisers look forward to seeing you at the next fair which will be held on Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**Two of Britain’s iconic Sporting Events.**

**The Grand National** will take place on April 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 at Aintree and will be televised by ITV. A hundred and seventy-six years ago a rank outsider from Lincolnshire triumphed in the race. Cure-All, pictured on the left won the 1845 Grand National, carrying 11st 5 lbs, in a record time of 10 mins 47 secs.



The winning owner and rider was William Loft from Healing, near Grimsby, although he had leased the horse to a Mr Sterling Crawford for the Grand National. Crawford’s entry for the National had been injured and he could declare a replacement runner. He knew Cure-All could jump and had a good turn of foot so approached Loft to buy him. Loft turned him down but negotiated a lease on the horse for the race on condition he was the rider. Loft also officially trained the horse, but this duty was more likely handled by groom Christopher Crisp, known as Kitty. He and Cure-All walked every step of the road (approx. 150 miles) from Healing to Liverpool arriving the evening before. Perhaps this feat contributed to him not even being quoted in the betting market! After their victory, Kitty and Cure-All returned home the same way as they went – on foot! The Healing church bells were sounded in honour on their arrival.

**The 2021 Boat Race** is scheduled for Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> and will see the 166th Men’s Race and the 75th Women’s Race. Events will take place on the Great Ouse at Ely due to the pandemic (no spectators) and the closure of Hammersmith Bridge on the Thames. The BBC will cover the event as usual.



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**JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup> 2021**

The end of lockdown is in sight. Rather than add to the endless, boring media dissection of “the plan”, much better to leave you with a son’s tribute to his father.

Thomas Dupar Snr of Seattle, America died of Covid. In an online video Thomas Jnr, with an affectionate grin, summed up Dad’s colourful life.

“After 4 marriages that ended in divorce and 4 bankruptcies, he kept many ABA [lawyers] gainfully employed. In lieu of flowers raise a glass of cheap, cheap Scotch. Two fingers, measured with pinky and index.”

Now that’s an obituary!

**Kirmington St Helena’s Church 100 Club Lottery.**

**Only £12 per year.** You can join at any time and even buy a subscription as a gift. Contact Mike & Nicky L’Angellier, 15 East End Kirmington or Angela Thomas, 34, East End, Kirmington.

Month	1 <sup>st</sup> Prize £10	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize £8	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize £7	4 <sup>th</sup> Prize £6	5 <sup>th</sup> Prize £5.50
January 2021	C. Turner	M. Joyce	I. Harris	A. Thomas	J. Smith
February 2021	B. Johnson	S. Forman	Joseph Page	J. Welman	Fallon Joyce

**Quiz Answers** 1. For supposedly claiming to be the Kings of the Jews which was blasphemy; “the act of insulting or showing contempt or lack of reverence for God; and/or the act of claiming the attributes of a deity” 2. Pontius Pilate the Roman Governor of Judaea. 3. Good Friday. 4. Judas Iscariot by kissing Jesus on the cheek. 5. Thirty pieces of silver. 6. Easter Sunday, Mary Magdalene. 7. Perseverance 8. Ingenuity. 9. 11 minutes 22 seconds. 10. July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020. 11. Three hundred million miles. 12 United Arab Emirates & China.

The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits. – *Albert Einstein*