

PARISH MAGAZINE

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United Benefice of St Helen, Burghwallis and
St Mary Magdalene, Campsall

Letter from Fr Richard October 2019

The Harvest of Souls.

One of the delights of having two mediaeval churches to look after is the ability to ponder on what they looked like in times past; when the floor was earth or stone and there were no pews. It is probable that both churches were highly decorated; not just whitewashed but with colourful patterns and wall paintings that would look rather gaudy to our modern eyes.

What was traditional in many churches was to have a large wall painting over the chancel arch. This would depict the Last Judgement at which each person would be judged. The souls of the virtuous would be carried by angels to heaven whilst the souls of sinners would be dragged down into hell to face a whole series of unspeakable torments.

If you have ever read J.L. Carr's novel *A Month in the Country* it tells the story of two first world war veterans who find themselves working in a rural Yorkshire church. One is making excavations in the churchyard while the other is gradually uncovering a mediaeval wall painting of the Last Judgement which had been whitewashed over.

During our Harvest Festivals we sing Henry Alford's hymn, *Come, Ye Thankful People Come*. It is a song of thanksgiving for the harvest but it is also a reminder of that final judgement especially verse three:

For the Lord our God shall come
And shall take his harvest home
From his field shall purge away
All that doth offend, that day;
Give his angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In his garner evermore.

I often get the feeling that people these days are not so keen on judgement. Somehow it seems there is a belief that, when we die, there will be no consequences for how we have lived our lives. That we will all dwell happily strumming our harps and living on a cloud.

But, if people have lived their life ignoring God why should they then expect their eternal life to be lived in God's presence? Of course, none of our lives match up to the goodness of God. Even we vicars are sinful people who need to seek God's forgiveness and mercy. I suspect we would all be weighed in the balance and found wanting. But in turning to God – which is what *repentance* means – we begin that process of changing our lives and of seeking God's mercy and feeling the love he has for us.

Do look at the picture parable which is printed in this magazine. It is a story about God's love for each one of us.

With every Blessing

Fr Richard

Events at Campsall Wellingtonia Centre

3rd Tuesday of each month –
Beetle Drive at 1.00pm

Or

Every Wednesday
10.00am – 11.30am
Drop-in Coffee Morning

Every Thursday
1.00pm – 3.00pm
Bingo Sessions

**Everyone is welcome –
Come and join us.**

Burghwallis Parish Council News

The next Parish Council meeting is on
Tuesday 29th October, 7.00 at The Burghwallis.

Burghwallis Lane Closures - ongoing

We have been advised by DMBC that there will be a series of closures of Burghwallis Lane, between 1st September and 31st October to allow the road to be completely resurfaced. There are planned to be 5 separate periods when closures will occur, each lasting no more than 3 days. Specific closure notices and diversion information will be displayed on each occasion. Residents of Burghwallis Lane will receive specific information about access to their properties during this time. Presumably the bus route will be changed to utilise Burghwallis Road during the closure periods

Please remember to look at the Parish Council website for all the latest snippets of news and notifications of future events. Simply go to www.burghwallis.org.uk where you will see all the latest information, and some very interesting articles about the village.

**Dave Maxwell,
Chairman**

(01302 709993, or 07766 055012)



BURGHWALLIS

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2019

Wednesday 11th December

Are you a Burghwallis Resident?

If so...

You are invited to a Christmas lunch at the Burghwallis Pub.
Function room on WEDNESDAY 11th December at 12 noon for 12.30 lunch.
The lunch is complimentary, care of the Parish Council Poor's Field fund and is
by ticket only which is obtainable from:

Jill Laming on 01302 701395.

Or if I am not available from
Dave Maxwell 01302 709993.

If you would like a guest to accompany you, they would be very welcome
but we would have to make a charge for their lunch unfortunately.
Once I have your reservation I will get back to you with menu choices.
Don't delay, book as soon as you can to reserve your place.

Jill Laming



HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Sunday 6th October

11.00 St Mary Magdalene Campsall – Family Service

Thursday 10th October

7.00pm Choral Evensong with Brass Band followed
by Harvest Supper.

Tickets for the Harvest Supper available from
Jenny Lister -£5.00

Sunday 13th October

9.00 St Helen Burghwallis – Holy Communion
Gifts of tins, dry good and toiletries most welcome for local food banks and
charities.

Flowers and Produce for Harvest and Christmas

Donations are requested to help provide flowers to decorate the
churches at Harvest and Christmas.

Contact:

Burghwallis: Joyce Holmes 725747

Campsall: Jenny Lister 702552

Autumn Thoughts

Don Rennison recently gave me copies of his books of verse: *Life, Nature with Memories to Remember*; *Life, Nature Wrapped in Memories* and *Life, Nature with a little Imagination*. He has given me permission to reprint one of his poems

Majesty of the Trees

*The clouds that gather, allowing the sunrays, to chase across the land.
Changing shapes of trees that grow, yet in majesty so profoundly stand.
Colourful blossoms that may perfume, they set, to be Autumn's fruit.
Providing nature's larder, so safe, but awaiting the needy to loot.
Elm trees placed in sheltered hollow, in copse or on wooded hill.
For wandering animals or birds to rest, and shelter at their will.
Fir, ash, beech or sycamore, or contented oak in glade or wood.
Seasonable change to leaf and blossom, to fruit from that tiny bud.*



I am fortunate in looking from my office window to see a vista of trees; from the tidy greengage in my garden with its overarching sycamores and across the road the tall limes. It's a view that always brings to mind the change of seasons. We are currently moving into the muted shades of autumn just before the leaves fall in earnest. The cyclamen in the grass giving a splash of colour.

October the 4th is the feast day of St Francis of Assisi when we remember the life and work of this great saint who set aside his wealth to serve the church. In so doing he learned to love and care for creation. In his great hymn *The Canticle of the Sun* he speaks of praising God through his Creation. A timely thought as we think of our impact on the environment.

BARNSCAN

Talk at St Mary Magdalene, Campsall
7.30pm Tuesday 22nd October

The Sand House



**British Summer Time Ends at 01.00
on
Sunday 27th October**

Don't forget to put your clocks back the night before which should give you an extra hour in bed.

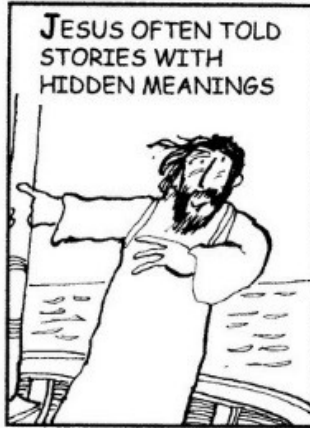
BREXIT

I have tried to keep the Parish Magazine a Brexit Free zone. Like everyone else I am not sure what the end of October will bring. So, I thought a cartoon might help.



*"So really, it is very easy to understand
how Brexit will affect our parish..."*

The tale of the Prodigal Son



JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONE STORY WAS ABOUT A MAN WHO HAD TWO SONS.



ONE WAS HARD WORKING AND CARED FOR HIS FATHER



BUT THE OTHER SON JUST DEMANDED MONEY FROM HIS DAD



THEN HE LEFT HOME TO WASTE HIS WEALTH.



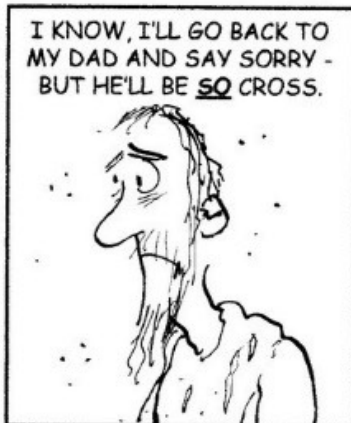
HE HAD MANY FRIENDS...



...UNTIL HIS MONEY RAN OUT



SOON, THE ONLY WAY HE COULD SURVIVE WAS BY FEEDING PIGS.

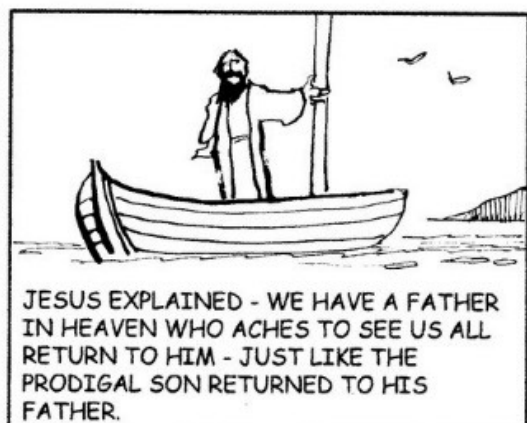


I KNOW, I'LL GO BACK TO MY DAD AND SAY SORRY - BUT HE'LL BE SO CROSS.



BUT HIS FATHER WAS FAR FROM ANGRY - HE WAS THRILLED TO SEE HIS SON RETURN HOME!

MY SON IS ALIVE!!



JESUS EXPLAINED - WE HAVE A FATHER IN HEAVEN WHO ACHES TO SEE US ALL RETURN TO HIM - JUST LIKE THE PRODIGAL SON RETURNED TO HIS FATHER.



Christmas Fayre

St Mary Magdalene's Church,
Campsall

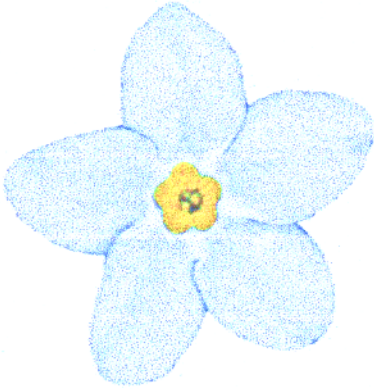
Saturday 16th

November

11.00am - 2.00pm

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Usual Pattern of Sunday Services in the Benefice

<p>St Mary Magdalene, Campsall</p> <p>11.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month 11.00 Family Service</p>	<p>St Helen, Burghwallis</p> <p>9.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month 8.00 Holy Communion</p>
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To contact the Churchwardens:

Burghwallis

Shirley Gill *1 Burghwallis Lane, Sutton* *tel: 700057*
Colin Bowes *11 Burghwallis Lane, Sutton* *tel: 702779*

Campsall

Jenny Lister *101 Campsall Park Road, Campsall.* *tel: 702552*

The **Revd Dr Richard Walton** will be in Campsall Church every Thursday evening between 6pm and 7pm to discuss arrangements for baptisms and weddings.

To contact the Clergy:

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