

# with Melton Ross



# **CHURCH & COMMUNITY NEWS**

## OCTOBER 1992

# BISHOP TO VISIT WRAWBY SCHOOL

Wednesday 7th October will be a special day in the life of Wrawby's Church of England Junior School. The Bishop of Grimsby, the Rt Revd David Tustin, will be visiting the school for an hour at 2.30 pm, meeting staff

and children. His visit is part of a full day which the Bishop will be spending in this part of his area, ending with a meeting of the Deanery Synod at Saxby All Saints in the evening.

The Bishop can be sure of a warm welcome from Wrawby School and perhaps a few surprises. It will be a good chance for the children to find out who Bishops are, what they do, why they wear those funny clothes in church, and so on.. Be sure to send your children armed with all the right questions.

Parents and others will be able to meet the Bishop in December when he will be returning to Wrawby to take part in the Family Service in Wrawby Church on Sunday 20th December at 10.30 am.



#### AT LAST!

Wrawby's two churches - and much else that is going on in our community.

Welcome to our new look magazine bringing news of But a special word of thanks must go to those, mainly Wrawby Church folk, who will be bringing this magazine to you each month.

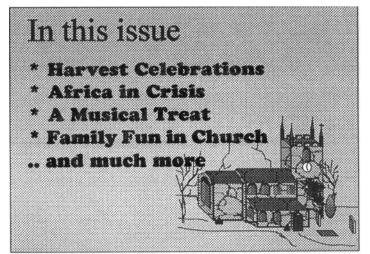
A small group of folk at St Mary's Church first got together at the beginning of the year to see what could be produced and now, thanks to a great many people, here we are!

Someone suggested the magazine should be called 'The Bells of St Mary's'. No, we decided, the real 'Belles of St Mary's' were our distributors!

Biggest thanks go to our advertisers whose patron-age has made publication possible. Please support them.

Thanks also to Alan Brown, of Scawby, who has given hours of his time - and loads of enthusiasm in helping us get used to Desk Top Publishing.

Paradise Press, our printers, are also excited at the possibilities offered by this new format and hope other villages may see the possibility of doing something similar.



# **Greetings from Reverend David Woodward** Minister of Wrawby Methodist Church

I am delighted to have this opportunity of bringing Christian greetings from our Methodist Church, and expressing my own sincere wishes for this magazine as it seeks to bring news of our joint mission in the village.

I truly believe so many good things have happened between our two Churches over the past months, building on existing good relationships, that it is an exciting time of challenge and opportunity.

It is particularly satisfying to see the way in which we have been able to co-operate in establishing our Family Services, and now offer Worship, carefully planned and designed for all ages, at the Chapel on the first Sunday in the month and at St Mary's Church on the third Sunday of the month. It has been really good to share together in this way and see this sense of 'togetherness' grow and develop in other directions.

This is a sign of our joint witness and unity in Christ. By seeking an ever increasing communion with Christ and with one another in the Church - which is His body - we are enabled to fulfil our mission to proclaim the Gospel by common witness and service.

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## SCHOOL NEWS

#### from Headteacher, Mrs Jenny Porteous

As we start our 151st year in the life of Wrawby School, we look forward to building on the rich traditions of the past, and we hope to make the coming school year as full and exciting as all those many previous ones have been. We are thinking particularly of last term's Year 6 pupils who are now embarking upon the important journey through senior school:

Lucy Stephenson, Jason Walkley, Matthew Kay, Richard Blades, Adam Horwich, Gary Richardson and Lucy Rawdin, who are at the Vale of Ancholme. Duncan O'Brien and Helen Maple, who are at Sir John Nelthorpe.

We wish them every success in the future and will always remember their contribution to the life of our school. This term we look forward to our Harvest Festival in church on Tuesday 29th September at 2pm and extend an invitation to all our friends to come and join us. On the following afternoon we will have a produce sale at 2.30 pm. Any proceeds will go to `Africa in Crisis'.

We are honoured that the Bishop of Grimsby, the Rt Revd David Tustin, has agreed to visit us in school on the afternoon of Wednesday, 7th October at 2.30 pm. He will look around before joining us for an afternoon Assembly.

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## RAISING THE TEMPERATURE IN CHURCH

It was announced last month that the Church Council had decided to spend £3,000 on a new gas-fired central heating boiler for St Mary's Church. It will replace the noisy and rather inefficient oil-fired boiler which has served the church well for many years.

Because the Church is a historic building - it is, of course, by far the oldest in the village - permission has to be sought to make sure any changes we make are to a certain standard. We expect to get our permission within the next few weeks and we are very hopeful that the church will be both warmer and quieter long before Christmas.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL AT MELTON ROSS

The Church of the Ascension, Melton Ross, celebrates its Harvest Festival on Sunday 25th October. The Revd Stephen Phillips, Rural Dean of Yarborough, will lead the Communion service at 11.0 am.

Mr Phillips is Vicar of the Great Limber group of parishes, and the latest proposals are that Melton Ross will soon be joining this group. So for Melton Ross folk, this year's Harvest could be a good chance to meet their new Vicar!

There will also be a service of Holy Communion at Melton Ross Church on Sunday 11th October at 11.0 am.

# Wrawby Methodist Church HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES

Sunday 4th October, 10.30 am and 6.0 pm

Preacher: Mr A.King of Caistor Children's gifts will be welcome at the 10.30 am FAMILY SERVICE.

Monday 5th October, 7.15 pm

#### A THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Chairman: Revd D.Woodward Speaker: Mr J.Drayton of Barrow

All gifts of fruit, flowers and vegetables etc will be gratefully received and will be on sale after the Monday service.

Proceeds of Sale for Christian Aid. Other proceeds for Church funds.

Come ye thankful people, come

#### A HARVEST HOE DOWN with the Stubblejumpers

Saturday 3 October from 8.0 pm to midnight in Scawby Village Hall

This event is organised jointly by St Mary's and Wrawby School.

A few tickets may still be available, price £ 5.00 including Ploughman's Supper, from the School or from Jane Caldwell (653575)



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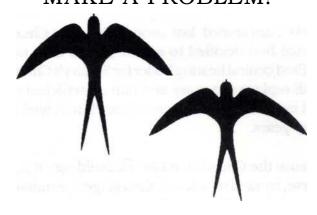
## **AUTUMN FAYRE**

14 November

Village life would not be complete without Church Fayres and fund-raising events! Although the image of the Church as always asking for money is one we desperately want to live down! What a Church gives to the community - in terms of the love of God and the care of people - ought to be far more than it asks from the community. But...

We would still like to see you at St Mary's Autumn Fayre on Saturday 14 November at 2.30 pm in the Parish Room. Stalls will include cakes, tombola, Christmas decorations and cards, etc. Teas and refreshments will be available and there will be a raffle for a Christmas Hamper. Contributions of items to go in the hamper are welcome now - a carton for them is at the back of the church. More details next month.

# WHEN TWO SWALLOWS MAKE A PROBLEM!



Two swallows may not make a summer, but when they build their nest in the church porch they do make an awful mess!

Long ago the writer of the Psalms thought it was marvellous that 'the swallow should make her nest in the Lord's house'. Perhaps these days we are a bit too fussy..

#### **OUR SYMPATHY..**

to the widow and family of Jack Lilley, aged 80, whose funeral took place at St Mary's on 27 August. Mr Lilley came to Wrawby from Scunthorpe after he retired but had been unwell for some years.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS..**

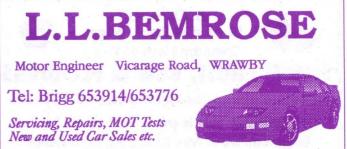
to Sue Lidgett and James Edward Richard Broome, married at Wrawby Church on 29 August.

The upshot is that the Church Council has been trying to think of ways of stopping our feathered friends from coming back next year . We agreed it would be a shame to board up the rather beautiful timbering in the roof of our 19th century porch. Our best solution so far is to suggest erecting a curtain of raspberry netting. Putting outer doors on the porch could be too unsightly - and would be very expensive. So you may have to push your way through a soft green curtain to get into church next summer - unless someone has a better idea..?









# Family Spirit

Stephen Caldwell reports on the new style family worship now available in Wrawby's two churches

More and more families are enjoying new style services in Wrawby churches. At the parish church Family and Pram Services now take place on a regular basis. Their success is due to the enthusiasm of interested parents and the combined efforts of Canon Ted Greathead and Revd John Cole.

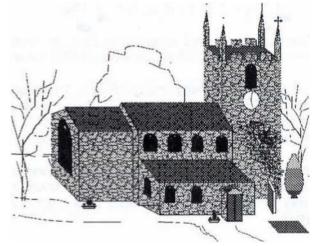
Since the beginning of the year, FAMILY SERVICES at St Mary's have been given a fresh format, providing something for everyone. Each month's service is planned so that parents and children can take part as much as possible. Grandparents haven't been forgotten and are proving particularly good at To find out what's in it for you, come along on reading the lessons! If the little ones need a break, one of these dates: they can escape to the new play corner which has been created at the back of the church. (Parents can also 'escape' if accompanied by, or looking after, children!)

A similar FAMILY SERVICE is held at the Methodist Chapel. Both are attracting increasing numbers of FAMILY SERVICE; all ages who welcome their informal atmosphere. The emphasis is on presenting relevant messages in a straightforward and interesting way. The mid-week PRAM SERVICE is also well established as a monthly event. Babies and toddlers are welcomed with their mums and around 30 attended the September service. They enjoy simple 'action' choruses, listening to Bible stories, drawing and colouring activities. The results of their work are displayed in the Church.

A common feature of all the events is the coffee and chat that takes place at the end! Ideas are exchanged; young and old mix and get to know each other; suggestions for 'improvement' are put forward...







#### PRAM SERVICE;

Thursday 1st October at St Mary's at 2.0 pm

**Sunday 4th October** at the Methodist Church at 10.30 am

#### **FAMILY SERVICE:**

Sunday 18th October at St Mary's at 10.30 am

If you don't think there's anything in it for you, come along anyway. You don't know what you are missing!





# 'A BOUQUET OF ENGLISH MUSIÇ'

John Cole introduces what promises to be a delightful musical evening in Wrawby Church on Sunday 11th October.

"All creatures now are merry, merry minded'. This lively 400 year old English madrigal sets the theme for the entertainment being offered in Wrawby Church by THE LYDIAN CHOIR on Sunday 11th October at 7.30 pm.

Their 'Bouquet of English music' brings together a varied collection of familiar and less familiar songs, all linked in some way to flowers, animals, birds or the English countryside.

Well-known pieces include 'The Silver Swan', 'Linden Lea' and a 19th century favourite 'The Long Day Closes'. Less well known, but no less beautiful, are two groups of songs by Edward Elgar and Gerald Finzi.

If all this sounds a teeny bit high-brow, they will also be singing 'Memory' from Andrew Lloyd Webber's 'Cats' and a gorgeous setting of 'Moon River' along with a couple of other Negro Spirituals.

The choir of twenty is based in Scunthorpe but includes two Wrawby folk. The programme will also include organ pieces played by Charles Edmondson, who also conducts the choir.

At the end of the evening's musical entertainment CHEESE AND WINE will be served at the back of church.

Tickets are available now from Church Council members price £ **3.50**, with a concessionary price of £2.50 for senior citizens etc. Children are also welcome (no wine!) - price £1.

## Africa in Crisis

The plough is useless when the fields have turned to dust and when there has been no rain at all for more than a year. It is hard for us to imagine what it must be like to have literally no way of providing for ourselves and our families. Yet for far too many people across Africa, this is what life has come to.

The news reports on television come in so often that we suffer from 'compassion fatigue'. We cannot even persuade ourselves that 'just one more' act of charity on our part will do the trick. And yet can we honestly see millions of innocent people starve to death?

Of course, in many parts of Africa - just as in the former Yugoslavia - civil war doesn't help! But even under good and (at least relatively!) honest government, drought and famine are overtaking many African countries including those who once had a surplus of food to export.

When the main national Aid Agencies launched their Africa in Crisis appeal last month, there was an immediate response. Many of you will have made your own donation. You don't have to be a church-goer to know that it is a healthy thing to set aside a deliberate sum each month from the family budget for charitable giving. A very flexible way is to take out a covenant (or pay through 'Give as you cam') to the Charities Aid Foundation, who then supply you with a set of tax free vouchers for you to make gifts to the charity of your choice.

Even something as simple as a box at the back of Wrawby Church over these last few weeks has produced f, 60, and we know that others have given much more privately direct to the fund. If you haven't made a donation, please do so. The box is still in church and donations can also be made (to 'Africa in Crisis') over the counter at any bank. We'll never know how generous Wrawby has been. We'll only know that lives have been saved.



# Adonis

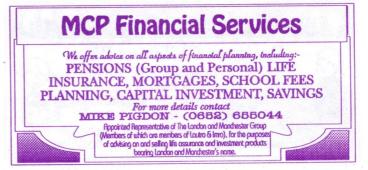
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#### COMMENT

by Nigel Good Churchwarden at St Mary's

#### **New Beginnings, Old Foundations**

Welcome to our new look parish magazine, reaching more people than ever before. Readers of the previous magazine will be aware of my musings in this column about religion and our local Church. Hopefully these will continue through this new publication.

It is this thought of new starts that sets me wondering this month. Nothing is really completely new; something has always brought about its conception. This magazine, for instance, is based on its predecessors - new technology has enabled us to build on the foundations of the `old' magazine to build on its successes and to learn from its failures. All of this is called development.

Development is something that affects us all in every aspect of life\_ At times it seems frightening, but it is only a continuing form of building on what has gone before. Our faith must undergo this continual development as well, whether it be on a personal or on a communal level. Very few of us now believe as we did as a child: our experiences of life have changed the way we look and interpret what goes on around us. But the foundations to enable this to happen were laid in our childhood. at we learn subsequently simply builds on those foundations.

Many of you will have read or heard about the changes envisaged in the ministry of Wrawby Parish Church, where the Vicar of Brigg will also become Vicar of Wrawby. At present, discussions are taking place with the Revd Geoff Neale, Vicar of Brigg, as to how this will happen. But again, we will be looking at building on what has happened before. Times of services may change, but the form of service will follow closely what we have been used to. A new beginning then, but the foundations have been laid over many years.

If you have not visited our church yet, or if it is some time since you last did so, we invite you to join with us at one of the services. We hope there is something to suit all tastes and ages: from formal said services to joyful family services, from Communion to Evensong, from traditional to modern. After all, the Church (that is the people, not the building) caters for all and not just for one particular sect.

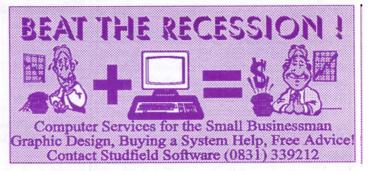
The Church of God has developed from its beginnings, when it was simply for the Jewish nation, to its present day world-wide family of all nations, colours and cultures.

We invite you to make a new beginning and build on the foundations laid in the past.









# Who's Who in Wrawby

St Mary's Parish Church

Honorary Parish Minis	ster:	
Caron Ted Greathead	(658603)	
Churchwardens:	Nigel Good	(653072)
	Colin Day	(653122)
Deputy Churchwarder	(653575	
	Derek Bunting	(652542
Honorary Verger:	Alex Rankin	(652871)
Honorary Treasurer	Michael Diadon	1655044

Honorary Treasurer: Michael Pigdon (655044
Honorary Secretary: Susan Day (653699)
Organists: Helen Marsden (658578
Dora Dawson (653503

Pram Service (1st Thursday monthly at 2.0 pm): Co-ordinator: Jane Caldwell (653575

Revd David Woodward, (658268)

#### Wrawby Methodist Church

	16 St James Road, Brigg		
Church Stewards:	Charles Standerline Derek Standerline	(656410) (656410)	
	Jim Marr	(650144)	
	Robert Wright	(652418)	
Church Treasurer	John Wright	(652195)	

Organists: Mrs E.Wright (652418)
Mrs Enid Hall (655437)
Ladies Fellowship (Thursdays fortnightly at 7.45 pm
in the Methodist Schoolroom):

Secretary: Mrs Marshall (653141)

#### Wrawby C.E. Controlled Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Jenny Porteous (655579)

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(Monday-Friday 9.15 - 11.45 am next to the School)

Secretary:

Minister:

District Councillor: Mr Dick Long (653084)

Wrawby Parish Council

Chairman: Mr Keith Daine (653029)

Clerk to the Council: Wrawby Windmill Club:

(Every Wednesday 2 - 4 pm in the Parish Room)

Secretary: Mrs Leahy
Community Policeman: P.C. Dargue (650222)
Wrawby O.A.P. Fund: Mrs Mary Topps (655323)
Wrawby Junior Football Team:Dave Wright
Wrawby Neighbourhood Watch:

Co-ordinator: Gerald Dent (653909)
Wrawby Post Mill: Susan Day (653699)
Playing Fields Committee: J. Davis (657095)

### Who's Who in Melton Ross

#### Church of The Ascension:

Churchwardens: Mr AWood (688930) MrJ.Wood (688216)

# What's What in Wrawby

(during October 1992 - To include your events in future issues, ring 657484) KEY: SM St Mary's MR Melton Ross WM Wrawby Methodist

#### **OCTOBER**

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		1030am	FAMILY SERVICE			
		6pm	Divine Worship			
5	Monday					
	WM	7.15 pm	HARVEST THANKSGIVING Service			
7	Wednesday					
		230pm	Bishop of Grimsby at Wrawby School			
8	Thursday					
	WM	7.45pm	Ladies Fellowship: Shetland Isles -			
			Mrs McDonald			
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	WM	6pm	Divine Worship			
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18	TRINITY 18 (ST	LUKE'S DAY)				
	SM	1030am	FAMILY COMMUNION			
	WM	6pm	Evensong Divine Worship			
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20	Tuesday					
	SM	7.30pm	P.C.C. in Parish Room			
22	Thursday					
		8pm	Informal Discussion at Pelham House, Little Lane			
	WM	7.45pm	Ladies Fellowship: O.S.Mission Iona			
		p	and Isle of Mull - Mrs Andrew			
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#### 'NEW LEAF'

In the middle of the old style parish magazine, we used to include the eight page diocesan insert, 'THE NEW LEAF'. For those who have been subscribing to the magazine, 'New Leaf' will continue to be included until the end of this year. After that, copies of 'New Leaf' will be available in Church for those who are interested. Even though they will be getting 'New Leaf for the year, we recognize that those who have subscribed for the year are really entitled to 50p refund now that the magazine is being offered free. If you wish to claim your refund please let your distributor know - or a Church Council member. Many thanks.

#### Sidesmen at St Mary's during October

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Thursday

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6pm

6pm

2pm

1030am

4 October	10.30am	Mr P.Topps	6pm Mr C.Day
11 October	8am	Mr B.Taylor	6pm Mr M Pigdon
18 October	10.30am	Mrs M.Herring	6pm Mrs S.Day
25 October	8am	Miss M.Standerline	6pm Mr K.Daine
1 November	10.30am	Mr G.Couch	6pm Mrs B.Green

Evensong

FAMILY SERVICE Divine Worship

Pram Service at SM

Copy for the November issue of this magazine should reach the Editor, the Revd John Cole, Pelham House, Little Lane, Wrawby (Brigg 657484) by Tuesday 6 October. Thanks.