# Church and Community News February 2010



A devastating 7.0 magnitude earthquake has hit Haiti, including the densely populated capital Port-Au-Prince and the surrounding area. Although there is as yet no accurate assessment of the death toll it is clear that millions of people live in the affected area. Haiti is the poorest country in the western hemisphere, greatly increasing the risk that people will suffer or die in the aftermath of a natural disaster.

Communications have been severely disrupted and many roads are blocked with rubble. Despite the challenges, many DEC member agencies are already helping on the ground while others are preparing to do so. Very substantial humanitarian assistance will be required to ensure survivors get food, clean water, emergency shelter, medical care and other support.

With vital aid now getting through in larger quantities, the public's donations will help to save and rebuild lives across Haiti. DEC member agencies are making a real difference to those affected by the Earthquake by delivering food and water purification powder and by mobilising medical teams to help those in most need.

Brendan Gormley, Chief Executive of the Disasters Emergency Committee commented:

"Within less than a week since our broadcast appeal we have received a staggering £38 million in donations from the public. These generous donations are much appreciated and are vital to help save lives in Haiti.

"Although the problems of aid distribution are real, our member agencies are increasingly getting aid through to the people who need it most, even in the outlying areas.

"I would personally like to thank members of the public who have donated and encourage anyone else to donate what they can. Aid is starting to get through to hospitals and clinics and is quite simply saving lives across Haiti."

The donation line is 0370 60 60 900 or donate at www.donate.bt.com/dec\_form\_haiti.html

In aid of the people of Haiti... Coffee Morning and cake stall (and whatever else we can think of) Saturday, 13th February, 10.0 - 11.30am At the home of Marian and Dee Toyne - Glebe Farmhouse, Tunnel Road.

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#### Who's Who in Wrawby St Mary's Parish Church

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Jonathan Dibdin	653321

Wrawby St. Mary's C E

<b>Controlled Prima</b>	ary School
Head teacher	-
Mrs. S. Rowe	655579
Chair of Governors	
Mrs R Hoyle	653154
Friends of Wrawby Sc	hool
Petra Heath	678224

#### Other Organisations

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## **A Lovely and Funny Valentine Story**

He loved her so very much. He wanted this Valentine's day to be special. So he had ordered a bottle of her favourite drink, imported from France, and it had arrived in time for the occasion. On his way home, he stopped at the local florist. He had planned to have a bouquet made with her favourite flowers, white anemones. To his dismay, he found that the florist had sold all her flowers and had only a few sterns of feathery ferns left for decoration.



#### In a moment of inspiration, he had the answer.

He asked the florist to make a bouquet using the flask of liquor instead of flowers and what she produced was magnificent well bevond his expectations.

He added a card, and proceeded home. When he arrived, his wife was beautiful in her most elegant gown, and it was apparent that she had spent much of the day preparing a romantic candlelight dinner for the two of them.

He presented her with his gift, and she opened the card to read, "Absinthe makes the heart grow fonder.'

With a tear in her eye, she whispered to him lovingly, "Yes, and with fronds like these, who needs anemones."

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## Wrawby Neighbourhood Watch

May I wish everyone a very Happy New Year.

As usual, we have to say thank you to a number of people. Firstly, our Christmas tree team, Paddy O'Boyle, Derek Button, Graham Foster and Ian Smith, not forgetting the boys from the garage who helped manoeuvre the tree in place. Some new lights were needed this year, and having purchased the new blue ones, the tree looked somewhat bare towards the top and Derek Farmer of Brigg M.O.T. very kindly bought us some new white lights for which we are very grateful. We have also just purchased some more white lights in the half price sale, so the tree should look magnificent next year.

A huge thank you to Father Christmas and his team of helpers, especially Arthur Dean from Barnetby who came to our rescue at a moments notice to pull the sledge when we realised that our usual vehicle would be unable to cope with the snowy conditions. In spite of the weather, we managed, thanks to Arthur, to travel our usual route so that no one was disappointed, and we received £244 in donations for which we are very grateful. This money will be used for good causes in Wrawby.

Thanks also to John Davis for the loan of a generator and to everyone who provided refreshments for us on a very cold winters night, they were much appreciated.

Julie Smith



### Village Hall Lunches

The Village Hall lunches for our community are restarting on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of Feb. Let us hope that the weather will be improved by then! It is a chance to come out of winter hibernation and enjoy the friendship and company of others! People of all ages attend, including many preschool children with their parents. The money raised from the first 6 lunches will go to the Preschool building fund.

As usual we will be serving a choice of homemade soup, bread, cheese and plum bread.

We look forward to seeing all our old friends. We are always pleased to see new faces. If you would like to come but would find coming on your own difficult, ring Mary on 655584 and she will arrange for someone to come with you.







On behalf of the Brigg Neighbourhood Team can I wish you all a Happy New Year. I hope you all got to spend some quality time with friends and family and that the recent poor weather has not caused you too many problems.

The Neighbourhood Team continued to work over the festive period and throughout the bad weather and I am pleased to say that we received very few calls for service for 'throwing snowballs' and have had no reported damages for snowball related incidents.

I would like to make residents aware that there have been numerous calls regarding suspicious person/s in Wrawby over the last month. Unknown persons have been seen on residents properties looking through windows. Can I urge everyone to remain vigilant. Please keep all doors and windows locked at all times—including when you are in—the most common type of burglary still remains to be the 'sneak in' through an unlocked door or window. Another common method used is an unknown person/s calling at your door claiming to be a sales representative. Always ask for id, use your door chain when opening the door and if in any doubt DO NOT let them in. It is far better to be cautious than to become a victim. Should you see any person/s acting suspiciously please report it to the police using the usual number 0845 60 60 222.

Being a rural location the area is currently suffering from a large amount of poaching/lamping. The

Neighbourhood Team are working closely with local farmers to try to combat these problems. We are appealing for members of the community to report to the police if they see anything suspicious i.e.; car headlights in fields during evening and nights, vehicles parked down rural lanes, tracks and fields and registration numbers obtained where possible or description of type of vehicle, colour etc. Any piece of information however small will be greatly appreciated. Also, I would like to take this opportunity to draw your attention to a web page, called 'Country Watch'. This web page can be accessed on the 'Safelinks' web site www.safelinks.info

This is an information site, where various crime figures, trends and locations can be viewed by members of the public. This site will not only show information for the you the Rural Communities to view, but you will be able to forward details regarding suspicious vehicles, person(s) and any other information that may warrant the attention of the Police by clicking the 'contact us' link on the Home Page There is also a 'news flash letter' facility on the Safelinks site, where you can enter your e-mail address, select the relevant type of information you'd like to receive and the crime info is e-mailed straight to you! This is done by entering your e-mail address in the yellow box on the Home Page, then click 'go'. The next page asks you to enter your name and select, by ticking boxes, which areas and the type of info you would like to receive. For the rural information, tick, 'North Lincolnshire Country Watch'.

PCSO 7727 Lynsey STAMP. 0845 60 60 222 Brigg and Wolds Ward.



#### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### January Meeting

#### 1. Police Report

Again, the report for December 09's incidents is still awaited, but the November 09 report shows that there was 1 incident of criminal damage to a motor vehicle, and 3 thefts (2 from motor vehicles). Residents are once again asked to remain vigilant and to report anything suspicious, however minor, to the police. Telephone 999 (emergencies only) or 0845 6060222 - ask for Brigg Police Station (non-emergency reports).

#### 2. Walking for Health

The latest schedule of walks has been received (for information, contact the Clerk, Graham Foster 651250) and the next Wrawby walk (notice in Parish Notice Board) is on 9th February 2010 - meet at St Mary's Church at 10.30am. For further information contact Christine Johnson on 01724 297631.

#### **December Meeting**

1. <u>Police Matters</u> - The November Community Police Report is still awaited - the October report reported the following incidents:-

1 x criminal damage (playing field)

- 1 x theft (private dwelling)
- 1 x burglary (private dwelling)
- 1 x possession of drugs (Brigg Road)

Other reported incidents in October included problems with school-children cycling on pavements, people walking on the motorway hard shoulder, and rescuing an elderly resident who had fallen down the stairs in her home. Residents are once again asked to remain vigilant and to report anything suspicious, however minor, to the police.

2. Councillors expressed their appreciation at the upgrading of the Village Hall, in respect of a new heating system, new windows and the new floor. New curtains and roller blinds will shortly be provided. Work is to be undertaken on the Car Park to "fence off" the area close to the Hall, which will then only be accessible by using a key for the barrier. It is felt that tremendous fund raising efforts by the Village Hall Committee have produced this excellent facility, supported by the Parish Council. It is now up to residents to use **YOUR** Village Hall Committee, Mrs Sue Day on 01652 653699.

Regards Graham Foster - Clerk



## Around Wrawby

29th November

20th December 10th January

5th December

15th December

23rd December



From the Registers **Baptism**:

Blessing of Marriage: Funeral:

Harry Robert Day Mikey Robert Chapman Alex James Ventham Stuart John and Sarah Kate Pope William Sharpe Bathqate Joan Mary Atkins

Thank you to everyone who helped others out during the recent bad weather. The village really pulled together, helping push or dig out cars, shopping for those unable to get out and making sure neighbours were safe and warm.

Members are wanted for Wrawby Community Choir – we would like to invite any men or women with an interest in singing to join us. The purpose of this choir is to bring all parts of the community together, to have fun singing, perhaps reduce our stress levels and raise some money for charity. There are no auditions, and everyone is very welcome. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings, at St Marys Church usually at 8pm for an hour during school term times – followed by tea/coffee or a drink in a local pub! Please contact Caroline on 01652 653155 for more information.

Wrawby Community Choir are also looking for a competent pianist to accompany them. If you fit the bill the choir would love to hear from you. Please contact Caroline on 01652 653155 if you're interested.

There will be a Lenten Bible Study starting Wednesday, 24th February, 7.30 to 9.00. This will be taking place on each Wednesday up to and including March 24th - five sessions in all. We will be focusing on 'Jesus - A man alone' - meditating on the seven last words of Jesus on the cross. The study group takes place at the home of Marian and Dee Toyne, Glebe Farmhouse, Tunnel Road. (650016 for further details). All are welcome.

North Lincolnshire is twinned with Clamart in France. The twinning association is looking for people willing to join and host a French family with the next visit planned for Easter. If you are interested please call Michele Servaud on 01522 888754 or email Michele.servaud@yahoo.co.uk.

In the 2009 Poppy Appeal, a total of £11,132.19 was collected in the Brigg and District area. This included £190.94 from Wrawby. We are grateful to the Black Horse, Jolly Miller, the School, Wrawby Hall and Wold Court, who all agreed to act as collecting points, as they do every year. Thank you to all concerned Margaret Cairns

St John's Ambulance in Brigg are looking for new members, meeting on a Tuesday evening. For further details please contact Jamie on 07856 279958.

Once again the Christingle service on Christmas eve proved to be a great success, with standing room only. Over £300 was raised from the collection for the Children's Society. It also included the excellent first public performance of the village choir. (See above)

From our web server managers: The Wrawby website was 'hacked' at the end of December. Nuisance files were deleted straight away and we can assure visitors the Wrawby website is clear of files that should not be there. But from January 2nd-January 5th Google showed "This site may harm your computer" for wrawby.org.uk.

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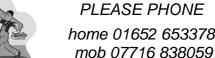
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'Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling'

This line is taken from the Church of England's baptism service (Common Worship 2000) and is said to those present at the Sacrament of Baptism as the candidate is presented to the congregation.

One of the key points to remember about baptism (the sacrament some people refer to as *Christening*) is that it is an initiation service, when a candidate becomes a member of the Church – the body of Christ here on earth. And within this rite of initiation, the theme of moving from darkness to light dominates. 'In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light...', 'May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.' 'Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith ...', 'God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and given us a place with the saints in light. You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life: shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.' 'Go in the light and peace of Christ.'

We live in a world which can often seem to be a dark place, a place of suffering, violence, pain, disaster – natural and man made. We only have to look at the news to see evidence of this. The sin of the world separates us from God, but His love for us remains steadfast, He longs for us to turn back to Him. Just because we have been baptised into the body of Christ, this doesn't mean that the darkness of the world will not touch our lives. We all know what it is to experience pain and suffering, be it the loss of a loved one, the breakdown of relationships, illness, debt or the loss of our jobs. We see the darkness of the wider world, war, famine, earthquakes and so forth. Such darkness still touches us. But our faith – the light of Christ, gives us a way of dealing with such things. We have hope in the love of God, in his peace, in his healing and wholeness.

But perhaps more than just helping us to face the darkness of life, our baptism is a commissioning as well as an initiation. We are called to shine as lights in the world. Those who have been baptised are called to take their place within the life and worship of the Church, that is to say, to come to Church and thank God for His loving kindness, to pray for the world – both for the good things in our lives, and for an end to the darkness and suffering. And we are called to be instruments of God's love in the world, seeking to improve the world in which we live by our words and actions, serving those in any kind of need within our community and enriching our common life.

It may be that we do not truly experience this light until we depart this life. For some people among us, suffering is prevalent from the moment of birth to the point of death. However, our faith teaches us that those who are faithful to God, who follow the example of Jesus and are inspired by His Holy Spirit, are promised a place in His Kingdom. 'In your mercy, turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life and the sorrow of parting into the joy of heaven' (Common Worship 2000). 'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord. 'Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.' (John 11:25f)

At times in our lives, the darkness can overwhelm us, we can feel lost, abandoned, alone; we can feel like we are unloved by God as our personal pain and the suffering of the world around us engulfs our lives and our world. But God has given us the gift of faith to help us through all this. Let us live out our faith by seeking to bring our prayers for the world, for ourselves and for each other before the throne of glory, and let us strive to serve each other by acts of loving kindness in all that we do. Fr Owain



## Wrawby's Diary for February 2010

	February	23 Tuesday	12.30 p.m. Village Hall Lunch
<b>1</b> Monday	7.30 p.m. PCC meeting	24 Wednesday	
	at St. Mary's	St Mary's	9.00 a.m. Eucharist
2 Tuesday	8.00pm Parish Council Village Hall		Mobile Library 7.30 p.m. Lenten Bible Study
<b>3</b> Wednesday		26 Friday	7.50 p.m. Lenten Bible Study
St. Mary's	9.00 a.m. Eucharist	St Mary's	9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer
	10.00 a.m. Teddy Bear's Club Lunch Club at the Black Horse	28 Sunday	
5 Friday		St. Mary's	11.00 a.m. Holy Communion
St Mary's	9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer		Sunday School
6 Saturday	10.00 - 12.00 Coffee Morning in Church - Cream Scones, Coffees		March
7 Sunday	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion	2 Tuesday	12.30 p.m. Village Hall Lunch
St Mary's	11.00 a.m. United Family Service	2	8.00pm Parish Council Village Hall
8 Monday	2.00 p.m. Monday Club in Village	<b>3 Wednesday</b> St. Mary's	9.00 a.m. Eucharist
	Hall. Tel. 653039 for details.	St. Mary 5	10.00 a.m. Teddy Bear's Club
10 Wednesda	ny		Lunch Club at the Black Horse
St Mary's	9.00 a.m. Eucharist	5	7.30 p.m. Lenten Bible Study
12 Friday	Mobile Library	5 Friday St Mary's	9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer
St Mary's	9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer	6 Saturday	10.00 - 12.00 Coffee Morning in
	Last day of School Half Term	<b>U</b> Saturday	Church - Cream Scones, Coffees
14 Sunday			
St. Mary's	11.00 a.m. Holy Communion Sunday School	All are welcome to attend the Sunday Services at St. Mary's Church.	
17 Wednesda	ay		t and 3rd Sunday are particularly arranged s with the Methodist congregation. There
St Mary's	9.00 a.m. Eucharist		is a Sunday School during
	8.00 p.m. Women's Institute, Village Hall	ALC: NO	services on the 2nd and 4th Sunday.
<b>19</b> Friday	5	The 9.00am Wednesday	
St Mary's	9.15 a.m. Morning Prayer	Eucharist Service is a short (30 minute) Communion service	
21 Sunday		The 9.15am Friday Morning Prayer is a short informal	
St. Mary's	11.00 a.m. Morning Praise		service with refreshments
22 Monday	<b>22 Monday</b> School restarts To book a Wedding or Baptism please see Fr Owain after		
Parish Communion on 2nd or 4th Sunday. For all other matters contact him on 01652 653989 or			
	Wrawby Post Mill Mill can be opened by spe- cial arrangement and souvenirs can be purchased at any time. Further details 01652 653699 Wrawby Mobile Library Schedule Alternate Wednesdays:-   Village Hall 12.20 - 12.40 p.m. Central Stores 1.45 - 2.10 p.m. 2.15 - 2.25 p.m.		
	Mill Wrawby Mobile Library Schedule		
	The Mill can be opened by spe- cial arrangement and souvenirs	Alternate Wednesdays:-	
	can be purchased at any time.	Village Hall Central Stores	12.20 - 12.40 p.m. 1.45 - 2.10 p.m.
	Further details 01652 653699	<b>3699</b> Tunnel/Barton Road 2.15 - 2.25 p.m. See Diary for this month's dates	
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