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# COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

### MAY TO JULY 2025



EASTER SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA AT QUADRING CHURCH

Covering the villages of: GOSBERTON QUADRING GOSBERTON CLOUGH GOSBERTON RISEGATE



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### GOSBERTON GROUP OF PARISHES PLEASE NOTE THE NEW PATTERN OF SUNDAY SERVICES

### ALL SERVICES ARE ADVERTISED ON OUR CHURCHYARD NOTICE BOARDS. SOME SERVICES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION.

Family services at Quadring take place in the Hall Chapel .

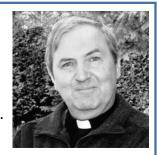
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25th	10am Morning Worship		
JUN			
1st	10am Communion		
8th	10am Morning Worship	10am Family Service	
15th			10am Morning Worship
22nd	10am Morning Worship		
29th			10am Communion
JUL			
6th	10am Communion		
13th	10am Morning Worship	10am Family Service	
20th			10am Morning Worship
27th	10am Morning Worship		10am Communion



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### The longer-term view.

It's been nagging me for years now, and particularly as I constantly see more proof as I get older that so much of life is about wanting instant fulfilment or instant profits Young children perhaps can be forgiven for their impatience. We can imagine a young



child exclaiming I want it now! But it's not difficult to see that lots of things used to be made years ago to last for ever, or at least a long time whereas now we are decades into the dispose of and replace era. I still have some of my grandfather's garden tools. I only recently had to dispose of his old stepladder that from the looks of it, it could have belonged to his granddad before him! Today we see wind farms and solar panels everywhere which will only have a short lifespan and are high maintenance and cost and are detrimental to wildlife, because we failed to invest in long life and in the long term much cheaper power solutions.

We buy all sorts of stuff which we know will only have a short lifespan then go in landfill or at best recycling. Younger people including politicians are changing things in a way that we older folk (OK I'm still young, only 74 next birthday!) know will not turn out for the longer term good. Am I a grumpy old man now? I don't think I'm grumpy, but I certainly can see how the world now is into short term profits and thrills rather than investing in good things which last, and which future generations can enjoy. Remember how many well-known British companies were founded by families who had a duty of Christian care for their employees and set up all sorts of housing schemes and charities. These were enjoyed for generations. Now we hear of senior

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executives giving themselves ultra fat salaries and pensions, and assuming they can retire while the going's still good.

Many of the local families in our villages showed their care for other people in their lifetimes. Cecil Robinson of Quadring and his family were very generous to their workers and the local community. They improved St. Margaret's Church and gave the village a splendid new hall, they gave gifts to local children and supported people in need. Local farming families such as the Casswell's and Proctors and others, and the Welby Everard family invested in many things which have blessed the community ever since.

That's one of the great attributes of our Christian culture. Christians don't believe that life ends when our present bodies breath their last but accept the bountiful evidence in the Bible and elsewhere that this present life is just a tiny part of our eternal life to come. So, the Easter season should be a time to really celebrate the fact that has been as proven as any fact can be, time and again, that Jesus really did come to earth, and that God in human form surrendered to the cruelty of the cross, knowing that he would rise again. British history, and indeed the history of the world shows how it was people of faith who have always done far more good for the people in their own day and for the future generations to come than any other people of any faith or none have ever done. So, keep believing, keep praying, and make time on more Sundays to go and worship with others and give thanks for those who have always had the longer-term view!

lan, Former vicar of Gosberton Group of Parishes



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If you would like us to play at your event call Jeannette. We will be happy to play for you. We do not charge for our services.

Don't miss out book now.

Gosberton is one of the few villages in Lincolnshire that has a handbell choir, we always need players. No musical knowledge is required.

Anyone is welcome to come along to Gosberton Church Hall on a Thursday afternoon from 1.30pm to 4pm to see what we do.

Come and give it a try, enjoyment is guaranteed.

Contact

Jeannette 07403 620783

### Gosberton WI meet on

the second Tuesday of the month at The Public Hall at 2pm.

Our Annual Meeting in April reminded us of all the exciting things we had achieved over the past year, and also brought to light a mistake that had been



going on unnoticed for several years. A search through our archives revealed that we were in fact 90 years old in April and a certificate to that effect was presented to us from the National Federation. So, rather like royalty, we had two birthdays this year!

The committee members agreed to stand for another year, with the exception of the treasurer. Two ladies agreed to share that role; Jeannette remains the secretary and Rosemary was again elected president.

We are still gathering ideas of what we would like to see and do over the coming year. The craft group will continue to meet at Lucy's house and the coffee meets / lunch dates will take place regularly on a monthly basis at various venues. (We should do a critique of all the places we have dined at!) Learning a new craft is always popular, especially if we are able to take home a sample of our endeavours, and it is always good to learn of other people's experiences of life, and interesting occupations.

If you would like any further information about Gosberton WI, please call President Rosemary on 01775 640573 or ask any WI member.

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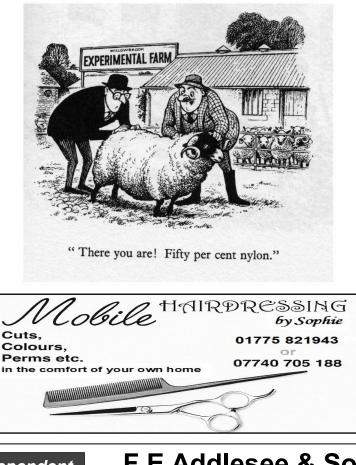
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### FROM THE CHURCH REGISTERS

#### **BAPTISMS**

23rd February at Gosberton Parish Church 6th April at Gosberton Parish Church Arthur Smith Elora Howlett

#### We welcome them to the family of Christ

#### **FUNERALS**

18th March at Clough Parish Church 25th March at Gosberton Parish Church John Healey Les Dobney

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of those who have recently died. May they rest in peace.

To advertise in this magazine please contact the editor. The fees for a year of advertising are: Full page £140, half page £85, quarter page £55 One eighth page £32, one third page £65 Two thirds page £105.

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### **GOSBERTON CHURCHYARD PATH**

As you may be aware, we plan to replace the churchyard path with a new, wider one. When work starts there will be **NO ACCESS** <u>ALLOWED</u> to the churchyard as both the entrance in Westhorpe Road and the one in Church Street will be blocked off. So while the work is being done you will need to walk the long way round using the High Street. We are waiting for SHDC to give us permission.

Debbie Reynolds, Parish Administrator

Dear Reader, We have now completed over 1700 tasks since we started, and continue to provide support to those in need in the community.



We are a purely voluntary organisation and **Gosberton & Quadring** just very occasionally there is a hiccup in the system.

We function best when we have a few days notice for help required, but with the pressure so intense on the health service, we are getting asked to take people for medical appointments on the same day. We can't guarantee to help on these occasions , we don't have people on permanent standby like an emergency service. We will try to help if possible.

If you need our help, or wish to become a volunteer, **our number** is **07808 326511**.

### **CLOUGH CHURCH HALL FOR HIRE**

Our large church hall (next to the church) costs £10 per hour to hire and has a modern fitted kitchen and a large carpark next to it. It is available for regular weekly groups to meet and for one off parties and events.

For further information, please contact the bookings secretary, **Fran on 07818 275675.** 



### HOW TO MAKE REALLY GOOD SCONES

This recipe makes 10 big scones. Preheat oven to 185C (fan) or 200C non fan

### Ingredients:

500g plain flour 80g castor sugar 80g salted butter 1.5 teaspoons bicarbonate of soda 2 teaspoons cream of tartar 60g sultanas (optional) 250-275 ml of milk

### Method:

- Measure out flour, sugar, bicarb & cream of tartar into a bowl and add the butter.
- Rub the butter into the flour mixture. (I use a food processor to whizz the butter and dry ingredients together. Then I tip it all into a big bowl).
- Add the sultanas and mix in
- Add 250ml of the milk to start with, add a bit more if the mixture is too dry.
- Lightly knead the mixture and turn out onto a floured surface.
- Roll out to about 1.5cm / 3/4" thick and cut out rounds of scones. Do not roll them out too thin!!
- Put the scones on a lightly floured baking tray, brush with milk.
- Bake for 14 minutes until golden brown and the bottoms are also golden brown.

All ovens vary so you may have to tweak the length of time the scones cook for. Reduce cooking time if you are making small scones.



Some lovely

spring pictures of

**Gosberton church** 

showing the

magnolias, taken

by Sue Cooper

### **GOSBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH**

MINISTER the Rev Steve Weatherly-Barton

Morning Worship at 10.30am each Sunday with a warm welcome to everyone.

The mid -week fellowship meetings are held fortnightly on a Wednesday at 7pm at the home of the Revd Maurice and Ruth Perry. These are open meetings,

and include refreshments. For dates contact any church member.

The Home Movie Shows held in the church on alternative months include ninety minutes of films, sandwiches, cakes and drink of tea all for a suggested donation of £3. There is a bring and buy stall. Dates go out on the Gosberton and Quadring Community web site.

The Easter services went well.

### **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL UPDATE.**

This year the total raised across the country was £51.4m which is an increase of £1.1m on last year.

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Thank you to everyone who donated to this brilliant charity.

Debbie Reynolds Poppy Appeal Organiser, Gosberton & District.





**A Very Boring Story** - It was dark when I left the meeting and went back to my car; even darker than usual because the street lights had gone out. Now where on earth is that car? I know, I'll click on my remote control key. Yes, there it is - hazard lights flashing, and the headlights have come on to help me walk safely to it.

Suddenly a familiar voice calls my name. We exchange pleasantries, but as we wish each other goodnight my car times me out and locks itself again. No problem. I open it again and get into the driving seat. Extracting my phone from my coat packet, I look into the screen. The interior lights of the car are still on. The phone recognises my face and opens. I send a text message to my wife, letting her know I am on my way home.

She responds immediately. Supper is ready. She'll warm it up in the microwave when I am ten minutes from home. I check the Sat Nav, and set it to 'Home'. A few seconds later it tells me what time I'll be back. I send the information; my wife knows that Sat Nav is always optimistic, so she'll add ten minutes to that time.

What shall I listen to? I have a choice of many radio stations, or something from my own music library. I tune in to the second half of a concert, start the car, and settle down to enjoy a Brahms symphony.

On the A1(M) an overhead gantry warns me of delays ahead, but they are north of Stamford and won't affect me. I drive on, noticing that I am doing 45 miles to the gallon. All is well.....

OK. I'VE WON THE PRIZE FOR THE MOST BORING SHORT STORY OF THE MONTH!!!

But do you realise that when I first got a Driving Licence in 1968 almost every detail in that story would have been in the realm of science fiction - almost unimaginable to ordinary people.

Our world changes so rapidly. Some folk get very anxious about what life will be like 10, 20, 30 years from now, and very nostalgic for those good old days when, we like to pretend, everything was perfect. But I prefer to remember this. I don't know what the future holds but .....BUT ... I know who holds the future. Our God, who's got the whole world in his hands. And he's got you in his loving hands too.

**Revd Steve Weatherly-Barton** 



# **Quadring WI**

We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month 7.15pm at Quadring St Margaret's Hall & would be really pleased if you would like to join us.



**14th May** - Annual Meeting with entertainment from PavaNotti

Venue changed to Gosberton Church Hall, PE11 4EW No Competition

**11th June** - Antoinette's Vintage with Antoinette Young

Competition – A vintage item from your wardrobe

**9th July -** Wild Woolers with Beth McCorrie and Helen James

Competition – A homemade woollen item

If you have a questions about Quadring WI please message us through our Facebook page 'Quadring Women's Institute' or call/text Elizabeth Stott on 07400 589555.

Annual membership £35.00. Non-members very welcome - £5.00 fee.

Gosberton & District Local History Society

at the Church Hall (behind St. Peter and St. Paul's Church), Gosberton

Monday

12 May 2025

Admission

Tonight's presentation:

Eating on the ration: Food on the Home Front during World War Two

7.30 D.M (Doors open 7pm)

### **Gosberton Church 49 Club**

In this age of increasing costs, it is good to know that some things have not changed.

 $\pounds 1$  per week per number gives you the opportunity of winning  $\pounds 30$  when your number comes up. Join our 49 Club Lottery Draw for that opportunity chance and support Church Funds at the same time

Ring me on **07786 101775** to find out numbers available. Leave a message if I am not around and I will ring you back

Míke Tarran

### **GOSBERTON & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

### Our Last Meeting (10 February 2025)

Rev. Ian Walters gave a presentation, 'What's In a Name?' in which he explored the meanings of our local placenames, some of which have changed over the years. The origin and meaning of words is a fascinating study, and those present enjoyed hearing about them.

### Our Next Meeting (12 May 2025)

Our next meeting starts at the usual time of 7.30pm. in the Church Hall (doors open from 7pm).

Our guest speaker will be Chris Carr, of 'Briga and Friends.' Briga and Friends offer a range of services from talks to societies and groups to bespoke historic workshops. Chris has been giving talks and delivering workshops in the Peterborough area and beyond for 10 years. She offers talks on a range of aspects of social history. Her talk for us will be 'Eating on the Ration: food on the Home Front in World War 2' This is timely, as 2025 marks the 80th anniversary of the end of World War Two (more on this below).

### **Gosberton Heritage Day 2025**

The Society will be holding its third Heritage Day - once again in the Public Hall - on Saturday, 20 September 2025.

This year, the Heritage Day will have a theme - Gosberton At War - to mark the fact that this year is the 80th anniversary of the end of World War Two. Watch this space for more information, but meanwhile, don't forget to pencil the date in your diary!

### **Quarterly Newsletter**

Members of Gosberton & District Local History Society receive a free digital copy of the Society's quarterly newsletter, '**Gosberton's Past Times**.' Each issue is jam-packed with stories, news and photographs about the history of the people, places and events of Gosberton, Risegate, Clough and surrounding hamlets. Printed copies are available for £1.

### Quadring Baptist Church and possibly the smallest graveyard in England.

In times long past a farming family named Smith built a Baptist Chapel just off Fen Road (now Town Drove). It was 30 ft by 16 ft and was opened in 1814 by Francis Smith the head of the family and was called the Salem Baptist Chapel.

Within the Chapel was a baptistery which took the form of a small 2foot-deep pool which was used to baptise adults. The Chapel has long since gone but parts of the graveyard which was next to the Chapel still remain. There were 10 graves within the cemetery, 8 are marked and two unmarked. These two being the last ones to be interred. When last member of the family, Ernest Smith, sold the farm to the Crosbys, they maintained the graveyard for a number of years until the days of Broadgate builders. Now the whole area has changed beyond recognition.

(With thanks to Tom Hall who published this in his booklets of Quadring history.)

### FROM THE EDITOR

The deadline for the next edition is: <u>20th July 2025.</u> You can email me articles and photos at any time before the deadline or drop them through **my letterbox at 61 Salem Street, Gosberton**.

If you need to phone me please call the church phone which is **07803 875638**.

The magazine is always available at the Medical Centre, Post Office in Gosberton, Gosberton church and your local magazine contact (shown on the inside cover).

My email address is: deborahreynolds365@gmail.com *Debbie Reynolds* 

## **Gosberton Methodist Church**

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## **Organ Concert with Tom Corfield**

on

## 5th July at 4pm

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## Barry on 01775 750263 to buy your ticket



Joining the Society is free of charge, with no obligations. If you'd like to know more, contact the Secretary, Stuart Henderson, by email at <u>gosberton@btinternet.com</u>, or our Membership Secretary, Stephen Taylor, by email at <u>stephen.747taylor@gmail.com</u>

### Bygone Gosberton Facebook Page

If you are interested in the history of the Gosberton area, then you should follow the 'Bygone Gosberton' Facebook Page, which is 100% dedicated to Gosberton & District history. As well as lots of old photos and historical information, you can keep abreast of upcoming history events and publications. Just go to Facebook and search for 'Bygone Gosberton,' and press the Like or Follow button.

### Want to share your old photos, memorabilia and memories?

We love seeing your old photos and memorabilia connected to the history of Gosberton, Risegate and Clough. These all help tell the wonderful story of these places, and we would love to capture copies of these for our archives - so that we preserve our history for generations to come.

Perhaps there are some mysteries behind what you've got - people, places and events that are not known - we can help to try to solve these for you.

Contact the Secretary, Stuart Henderson, by email at gosberton@btinternet.com

### PRIZE DRAW - WIN A GOSBERTON HISTORY BOOK!

This year is the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War. Gosberton & District History Society will be marking this milestone as the year progresses.

We are looking for your stories and photos relating to wartime Gosberton, Risegate and Clough. This might be about people who served in the forces, or life on the home front, during World War Two. If you'd like to share these, please contact the Secretary, Stuart Henderson, by email at gosberton@btinternet.com. They will be added to our archive, and maybe even published!

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What's more you will automatically be entered into a prize draw where the lucky winner will receive a copy of the book, 'Gosberton 1940', the first of Stuart Henderson's Wartime Gosberton series. Through transcriptions of hundreds of newspaper articles published that year, the book provides an intimate portrait of life on the home front in Gosberton, Risegate and Clough. The book contains a surname index, so you can easily search and find family members. The draw will take place at our August meeting.

#### **Stuart Henderson**

### Cowley & Browns Charity Reg. No 217099

If you are over 65 and living in Quadring Parish, you might qualify for an annual grant from the charity. These are awarded towards the end of each calendar year. There is no means testing involved. All residents of pension age might qualify. Apply via the Clerk Mrs Ashley Banks c/o <u>abanksatwykes@gmail.com</u> or write via Washdyke Farm, Wykes Laner, Donington PE11 4SD

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Frances Newton on 07920 290012 or

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### **ROBERT MARJORUM'S FOUNDATION** (reg charity 527728)

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### Frances Newton 07920 290012 email: franc4s.newton@gmail.com

# **Gosberton Public Hall**

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If you'd like to consider making a booking, please phone: 07828 245588 for details.

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We'd like to do this regularly in the future,

but we do need some more adult helpers. What does it involve? Every session we devise some fun activities for the children of primary school age, including artwork, making things, competitions and even elementary cooking, all related somehow to a theme related to the Christian message.

You might be a parent with children of your own, you might be an older person even a grandparent yourself, but if you would be willing to give it a go, please leave a message on the church number or contact one of those whose names and numbers are published in this magazine.

### Lowgate Pit, Gosberton

The 4th Countryside Award in Lincolnshire - they will take the form of specially designed plaques - has been won by the Gosberton Group of the Lincolnshire Trust (for Nature Conservation.). This is for the transformation of a small ex- brick pit in the centre of the village. I have seen this "before" and "after" and can testify to the changes which have been made. Where stinking refuse and farm rubbish was before, are water lilies and wildfowl. There are nest boxes on the trees and the whole is now a quiet natural oasis in the village. The award will, as in other cases, serve as a great encouragement for local voluntary efforts in the care of our natural environment.

David N. Robinson. Founder member of Lincs. Trust for Nature Conservation November 1970. Lincolnshire Life magazine. Curriculum, or our Green Flag Eco-Award and the children always have a great week learning lots of new skills and enjoying the company of all the visitors and community members who join us.

Thinking about the community, please take time to read about our Community Defibrillator, and the need to replace it. This invaluable resource is attached to our school building and can be located via our staff car park. Fundraising for this invaluable resource is vital, and we hope all of you can support us to help raise valuable funds, which could of course save a life if needed in the future. Please support if you can, no amount is too small, and your support would be greatly appreciated.

We are a very proud, small, rural primary school, where hard work, positive attitudes and good behaviour are reflected in all we do. We provide lots of outdoor learning linked to our curriculum and we provide a stimulating and interesting environment for all children. We seek to prepare our pupils as confident, happy children, who reach their full potential and thrive.

Check out our fabulous school website for more information about us:

https://www.clough-risegate.lincs.sch.uk/

Enjoy the warmer months - sending best wishes.

#### **Mrs Rooney**

(Headteacher)





\*\* From 24th January 2025, all communications in relation to the Junior & Senior Gosberton Youth Hubs, will need to be directed to the YMCA. Please see the Gosberton Youth Hubs FB Page for details. Thankyou \*\* Clough and Risegate Community Primary School



# NEEDS YOUR HELP

In 2018 we successfully fundraised with the help of YOU - the people in our local village for a COMMUNITY defibrillator that sits on the wall of our school, within easy reach of the car park, should it be required by the school or members of the community that it so proudly serves.

Sadly, this defibrillator has now reached the end of its life, with the accessories it requires proving hard to source. Therefore, we need help to fund its replacement and hope that you can help us keep this vital piece of equipment available.



Donations however small are welcomed to the school office, clearly marked DEFIBRILLATOR. Any monies collected will go towards purchase and continual upkeep to ensure that it is available for many years to come. Thank you in advance for your support.

Please contact us on enquiries@clough-risegate.co.uk or by calling 01775 750297 visited the Fire Station in Kirton, to find out all about this important role and all the people who work hard to protect and keep us safe. A great time was had by all.

Our oldest children have been studying



Sikhism in RE and had the fantastic opportunity of visiting the Peterborough Gurdwara. Our children were very respectful and keen to find out more about this major religion and they were lucky



enough to try some tasty treats at the end.

Just before we broke up for the Easter break our children also took part in our annual 'Decorate an Egg' Competition. Our children love taking part in these themed art and craft days and we really do have lots of very 'Art Smart' children at our school. Here is a selection of the winning eggs.



We have a busy summer term ahead and we always look forward to National 'Small School's Week' which will be held from 16<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> June. Each day will be themed around our Farm to Fork Farming

Continued overleaf

### Clough and Risegate Community Primary School

We have all been very busy here at Clough and Risegate Primary School. Our School Choir have just completed a ten-week musical



journey culminating in a **'Big Sing'** performance at St Botolph's in Boston (Boston Stump) for family and friends. 10 local schools were involved in this fabulous finale and our children worked tirelessly on a range of songs spanning across the decades. 'Nessun Dorma' and 'Yellow Submarine' were popular songs, and it was very atmospheric to hear all the children sing these in this special church. We were all so incredibly proud of our children's performance – a big well done and thank you to all involved.

Our youngest children have been finding out more about <u>'People who</u> <u>Help Us'</u> and we'd like to say a very big thank you to **J Krumina Veterinary** 

**Practice** for coming into school and for making an excellent job of explaining their role to our children. Lots of fun activities were

included and we now know how important it is to look after and care for our pets in the best way possible. Other visitors to the school included a local nurse, farmer and Police Officer, all of which were excellent and very inspirational - thank you. Our children also





### with ANN EVERY WEDNESDAY

Gosberton Youth Centre Doors open 6.15pm for 7pm start Flyer, Jackpot and Raffle Teas & Coffees All proceeds to Youth Centre Registered Charity No. 506927

**EVERYONE WELCOME** 

### **BINGO** with Doreen

ALTERNATE SATURDAYS at Youth Centre May 10th & 24th June 7th & 21st July 5th & 19th Same times as above

### RAFFLE PRIZES APPRECIATED ~ Thank you

### **GOSBERTON METHODIST CHAPEL**

In the summer I move on a new appointment in Essex. It was 2021 when I came to South Holland and was invited to work alongside the methodist churches in Gosberton and Gosberton Clough.

Over the last 4 years there have been times of joy as well as sorrow. It has been wonderful to celebrate a wedding at Gosberton Clough and birthdays and anniversaries at Gosberton. There have also been times of great sadness as I have been asked to support families through times of grief.

Looking back at Gosberton Clough, I think we had great fun at the talent nights and our Saints and Sausages night. The school have always made me feel welcome when I have been in for assemblies and a joy to welcome the school and families to various events at the chapel. On a personal level I found it hard when Clough Chapel closed especially as it created so many happy memories for me in a short space of time.

Gosberton Methodist church, is certainly a busy place with a team of hardworking people. I am always amazed at what can be achieved. I really enjoyed our evening with Colin Young, the Christmas services, the lunches and emporiums. I enjoyed the summer services that were shared with the other churches in the village. I have so many happy memories to take with me.

So, thank you Gosberton and Gosberton Clough, I wish you well and will often think of you.

Blessings,

Revd. Luke Smith

### A few quick words of wisdom.....

- There is no such thing as weight gain, only clothes that have shrunk.
- Dusting is unhygienic, it puts asthma inducing particles into the atmosphere for people to breathe.
- Don't pay for expensive salon waxing. Improvise at home with parcel tape.
- When you find yourself in a situation where every course of action is wrong from somebody's point of view, do what YOU want. That way at least one person will be happy.
- When writing a to do list, always include one or two things you have already done, so that you can cross them off immediately.
- Never wear white when eating curry, and don't sneeze when you have just put a handful of peanuts in your mouth.

### Have you ever considered being a school governor?

At the time of writing, two local village schools have vacancies especially for people from the local community who would be willing to attend meetings once or twice each term. (I also know of two or three more schools not too far away who also need governors.) No particular skills are needed, but someone with a genuine interest in supporting our local schools and the education of our local children, might like to know more.

There are online materials which can help you become more knowledgeable and better equipped, which do not take a lot of time. Generally, governors meet once or twice each term and are welcome to visit the schools from time to time, (or more frequently), and help in various ways. If you were interested, just let me know and I will arrange for you to have more information.

### Ian Walters

Tel or text 07831 645683 or email: ianrwalters@outlook.com

## **GOSBERTON PARISH CHURCH OPEN DAY**

Come along to a fun and friendly open day in St Peter & St Paul's Church Gosberton on Saturday 26th July from 11am to 4pm

Attractions include:

- A chance to see all the historical parts of the church, and to learn what they are for.
- Tours up the church tower to see the ringing room, bells and the view from the top.
- Jams, chutneys and homemade cakes for sale.
- Delicious refreshments including homemade soup, crusty bread, a small selection of sandwiches, cheese scones, cakes, fruit scones with jam and cream if you like, and hot drinks.
- History Society display including photos to look through and identify. We also have copies of old baptism, marriage and burial records from 1600's to 1800's.
- Plus lots more!

### Admission is free, everyone welcome.



### **GOSBERTON PUBLIC HALL & BOWLS & SNOOKER CLUB**

The public hall has been an integral part of the village for all of our lives, it has provided a focal point for villagers, being used as a meeting, celebration and place of joy, as was the initial intention.

The Snooker and Bowls club has been solidly linked with the public hall for over 100 years, providing an escape route from normal life, never was this so in need than after the horrors of war. It was the responsibility of the club to provide a safe place for people to enjoy recreation and let their mind slip from the awful reality of life during and following these hardship times.

This is still the mission of both the Public Hall and the Snooker and Bowls club to this day - to provide a safe, welcoming place to meet and enjoy recreational activities, be that a quiz night in the hall, enjoying a frame or two of snooker or the peaceful nature of sending down some bowls.

As a party, we are delighted to continue supporting the village by offering this opportunity for our residents to come and enjoy a complimentary cream tea at the hall to celebrate VE day, sadly not all the Gosbertonians that went to war came back, those that did were undoubtedly changed, this is a chance to celebrate not only VE day itself but all those that lived through the before and after.

We will be accepting donations to Royal British Legion on the day, and would love to have some volunteers to help run the event. Please contact the club secretary (Stuart Tamplin) on:

Email: Gosbertonsc@hotmail.com

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/gosberton.snookerclub

# SINGERS

# SOUTH HOLLAND SINGERS PRESENTS Hallelujah

24th May 2025 7.30pm **Spalding Baptist Church** SWAN STREET SPALDING PE11 1BT

Musical Director Samantha Caroline Graper Accompanist David Scoffield

## Tickets £8 if bought in advance or £10 on the door

Under 18s free of charge

Tickets available from choir members, Bookmark in Spalding or on the door 10% discount for groups of 10 or more

www.southhollandsingers.co.uk



# St Margaret's Church, Quadring **Pet Service** Sunday 22nd June, 3pm

All pets welcome in church for a celebration of our companions.





**Residents of Gosberton & the immediate surrounding area** ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A COMPLIMENTARY

THURSDAY 8 MAY 2025 AT GOSBERTON PUBLIC HALL (ON HIGH ST) BETWEEN 2PM AND 4PM

Complimentary cream tea (any donations to Royal British Legion)

1940s music

Film shows on Gosberton in bygone days

Display of old photos of Gosberton



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SPONSORED BY BOTH GOSBERTON PUBLIC HALL AND GOSBERTON SNOCKER & BOWLS CLUB For more information, email Gosbertonsc@hotmail.com

### Gosberton Methodist Church.

Morning Worship 10.30am Every Sunday (Please see notice board outside Church for more details)

**Every Thursday Morning** 9.30am - 11.00am (not last Thursday in the month) Please feel free to pop in for a cuppa & Chat.

Emporium Sales 10am – 12.30pm Saturday 31st May

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July

Come along and grab a bargain, hot drinks, bacon butties and cakes are served at these events. ,

## Craft Afternoon 2pm-4pm

19<sup>th</sup> May

16<sup>th</sup> June

21st July

Bring along your knitting, crochet, patchwork etc. or hire a jigsaw. Or just come along for a cuppa & natter men most welcome .

Light Lunches 11.30am – 1.30pm 13<sup>th</sup> May

10<sup>th</sup> June

8<sup>th</sup> July

## Flower Festival

By the time you are reading this our Flower Festival will be over, we do thank all those who came along and supported our festival.

# **COME AND JOIN THE**

# **80THANNIVERSARY**

# CELEBRATION

3RD MAY 2025 5 for 5:30PM £12 A TICKET BUFFET AND REFRESHMENTS WITH ENTERTAINMENT TO FOLLOW

# TO BOOK YOUR RATION BOOK TICKET PLEASE CONTACT FRANCES 07818275675 or BELINDA 07796574280 ST GILBERT & ST HUGH CHURCH HALL, PE11 4JW

You can also contact Marion on 07751 463430 to book your ticket.