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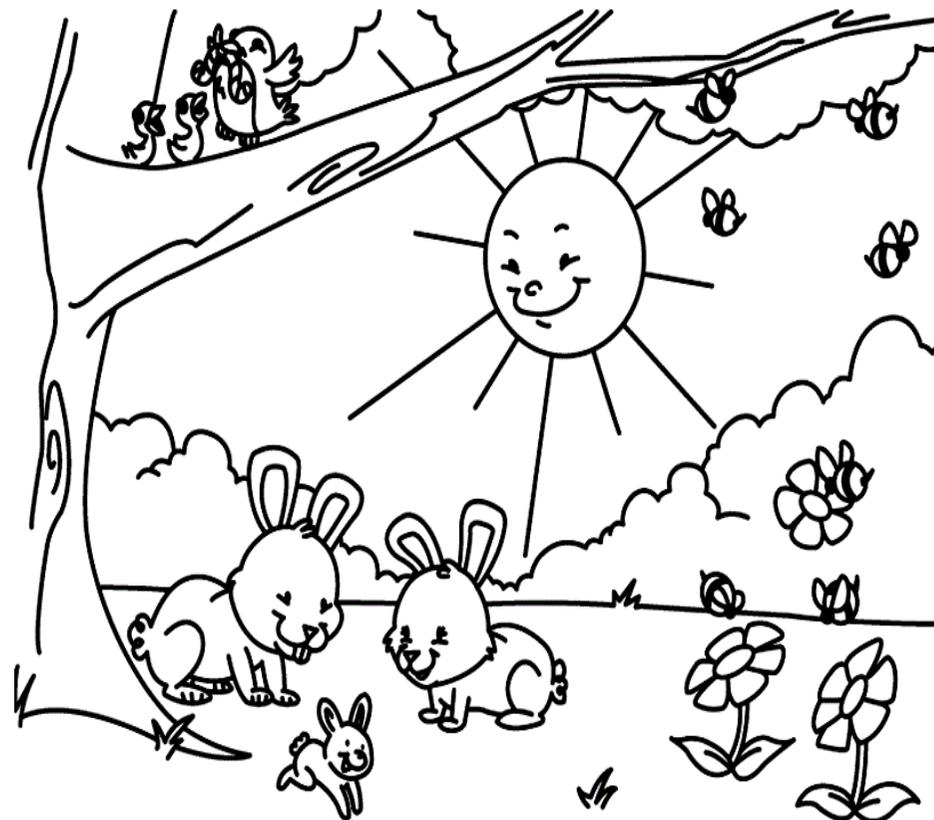
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Barkston and Syston Village Hall Regular Bookings

<u>Monday</u>	Parent and Toddler Group	10-00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
	Short Mat Bowls	2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
<u>Tuesday</u>	Dance Class	Noon - 4.00 p.m.
<u>Wednesday</u>	Vitality Fitness	9.45 a.m. - 10.45 a.m.
	Dance Class	Noon - 9.30 p.m.
<u>Thursday</u>	Yoga	10.00 a.m. - Noon
	Short Mat Bowls	2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
<u>Friday</u>	Move it or lose it	9.30a.m—10.15 a.m.
<u>Saturday</u>	Dance Class	9.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Rainbows, Brownies and Guides meet weekly. For more information contact girlguiding.org.uk.

The Cardiac Chat Group meet each second Tuesday of the month, 2.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m..

The Macular Society meet alternative months.

The Lincs Trust for Nature Conservation meet every second Friday of the month (Oct - April) 7.00 p.m. - 10.00 p.m..

Bookings for private functions - Carol Bradford 01400 250744

County Council Representatives

Ray Wootten is County Councillor for Barkston, Belton and Syston Parishes. (Tel: 01476 400183 or e-mail cllr.wootten@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

Post Office, St Nicholas Close, Barkston

Mondays 9.00am—3.00pm Thursdays 9.00 a.m. - 12 noon
Contact Tel No: 01636 704516

Mobile Library dates

The library will be in West Street between 12.30—13.00 on the following Mondays, 11th March 2019

Items for inclusion in the next issue of 'In Touch'

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South Cliff Villages Group
NOT FROM THE RECTORY



It was one of those lovely days in November when the sun shone and there was blue sky as the writer of these notes stood on platform 2 at Grantham station awaiting the arrival of a delayed Hull Trains service for Hull to take him on this occasion as far as the town of Selby with its fine abbey.

Today's train follows the former main line north of Doncaster into Selby where the station lies just short of the swing bridge over the River Ouse [the main route north follows a diversionary route built to the west of Selby to avoid areas of mining subsidence as well as the delays associated with the need to turn the swing bridge to allow river traffic through] and the towers of the abbey viewed through the carriage window as the train slowed showed that my destination was nearby.

It was here in Selby in about the year 1069 that a Frenchman by the name Benedict arrived after a visit to Auxerre Abbey [equally accessible by train] where according to legend he was commanded to found an abbey at 'Selby' in England – and legend tells that Benedict recognised the site when three swans landed on the River Ouse [three swans mounted on a heraldic shield have remained the abbey and town coat of arms ever since].

Shortly after the Norman Conquest permission was given for the building of a church at Selby and a wooden abbey was soon constructed. It was under the second abbot, Hugh, that work started in 1100 to build a more permanent abbey using a locally mined limestone and which today still provides the stone both for York Minster as well as for Selby Abbey. The church was extended and the east window installed which shows Christ's family descent in the form of a Jesse Tree.

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The abbey building was spared at the Dissolution of the Monasteries so that what has survived and is today the parish church of Selby is a complete medieval abbey church and which was restored in the 19th century by Sir George Gilbert Scott and again in the 20th century following a fire which destroyed the roof timbers as well as the quire screen.

As well as the French connection there is possibly an American connection: high up in the south clerestory of the quire is a window with a shield representing the Washington family whose descendants include the first American President George Washington and there is speculation that the design of three red stars above two horizontal stripes against a white background could have been used by Washington as the basis for the 'Stars and Stripes'.

While we have great faith in the train operators who run our services I did come across this prayer to use when embarking on a journey which may commend itself to you:

O God, who led the children of Israel on dry land through the waters of the Red Sea,

And by a star guided the Magi to the revelation of your glory;

So make my journey safe, and my visit free from anxiety.

Attended by your angel, bring me to my destination now on earth,

And grant that I may at length attain the haven of eternal salvation though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

With every good wish

Stuart Hadley [Rector]

ST NICHOLAS CLOSE COMMUNITY CENTRE **COFFEE MORNINGS**

We are holding regular coffee mornings in the Community Centre on the last Wednesday of each month, 10.30 a.m.—12 noon.

Everyone welcome, please come along and join us.

ART AND CRAFT



We hold a Craft Meeting in the St. Nicholas Centre on the afternoon of the 1st Wednesday of each month. There is a charge of £1.50 towards the cost of materials.

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BARKSTON AND SYSTON CRICKET CLUB

The club had yet another successful season in 2018 with a very well deserved fourth place in our first year in the second division. At our presentation evening the following players received awards:

Batsman of year	Liam Parker	Bowler of year	Dan Parker
Fielder of year	Mat Walton	Captain's player	Dan Parker
Players' player	Neil Jameson		



With a new season fast approaching we have indoor nets arranged at the Kings School sports ground from 6 till 7 p.m. from Tues Feb 12th for six weeks. Everyone welcome, old and new players.

We would like to see some of the young lads of the area 13 and over come along. These people are the club's future, without their involvement the club will not exist.

I would like to thank everyone who sponsored the club last season without your support we could not continue to play at the present standard. This season again we will be looking for sponsorship: £20 per match ball; £50 game sponsorship, and £100 to put up an advertisement board.

After the disappointment of losing our junior setup we had a very positive response to the ALL STARS PROGRAMME with 21 children attending. We will be running this again this season.

Anyone needing any more info please contact

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FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

Barkston	13th January 2019	Olivia Mae Newby
	24th February 2019	Alfie Lawrence Pike

Rest in Peace

Honington	11th January 2019	John Neville Dyson
Honington	13th February 2019	Maurice Burwell
Hough on the Hill	5th February 2019	Lilian Evelyn Mary Hall, Priest

Lilian Hall 1942 – 2019

We welcomed Lilian in 2011 as House for Duty priest in the Barkston and Hough group of parishes but her influence was felt across the Deanery of Loveden and she was recognised as being amongst the crème de la crème of priests to have served here. Lilian's early life was in journalism as a reporter and education correspondent. Lilian and John had met when both worked on the Birmingham Post and Mail and later they lived and worked on the Isle of Man, as well as in Yorkshire and Lancashire before retiring to the far west of Cornwall where her long cherished vocation to become a priest was discerned by Bishop Bill [formerly Bishop of Grantham but by this time Bishop of Truro] and Lilian duly served in the Mounts Bay parishes overlooking St Michael's Mount after her ordination.

Lilian loved life with John and with Abigail and Jason, Georgie and Tasha close by at Gelston enjoyed Lincolnshire's wide-open spaces with its abundant bird life. During the time of her final illness Lilian, with the help of her family, was able to fulfil a long-held ambition to make that great pilgrimage to the Island of Iona, home to the greatest of all the Celtic saints St Columba. Lilian wrote of that visit that 'everything has worked out perfectly' and that even though the ferry home the next day may not run because of the weather she would bear that, as indeed she bore her illness, 'with fortitude'.

We are the richer for her ministry with us and pray for her and for her family at this time: May she rest in peace and rise to greater glory.

BARKSTON AND SYSTON PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on 14th January 2019. Seven members of the Parish Council were present, together with County Councillor Ray Wootten. Councillors Rosemary Kaberry-Brown and Stokes (SKDC) sent apologies, as did Parish Councillor Peter Connor. No members of the public attended.

Many issues which had been raised were updated by the Clerk. Outstanding pothole repairs had been carried out, but some in Syston had been reported for further attention, as the filling was pulling out. A large and deep pothole in West Street, Barkston had been dealt with.

In regard to the proposed 50 mph speed limit between Manthorpe and Barkston, the Council were reminded that the order would be brought into operation on 19th January 2019. Councillor Wootten advised that a consultation was taking place into a reduction in the 40 mph limit leading up to Belton Lane to 30 mph.

Blocked drains at the bottom of Minnetts Hill and near The Stag had been referred for attention, and gully emptying had been carried out. It was intended to undertake a camera inspection of the drains near The Stag, prior to consideration of any further works.

Councillor Wootten updated the Council on action proposed following a petition submitted by residents of West Street in regard to various road safety related issues. Consideration was being given to parking restrictions at the end of West Street and on the northern side of the Village Green, in order that drivers had a clear road when negotiating the junctions.

Action had also been requested in regard to the area around the War Memorial, where the road edges were wearing away up into the bank. Bollards had been requested previously to prevent parking, but it was pointed out that the edge of the road could be built up to prevent further wear, but this might have the effect of pushing parking further into the road. Comment is awaited from the highways department

Various results and comments made in regard to planning applications were reported. It was noted that an amended application for

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Mondays through Lent -

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Wednesdays through Lent -

The ancient night time Office of Compline at All Saints Church, Hough on the Hill at 8 p.m..

Mothering Sunday -

Falls on the 5th Sunday of March, 31st March and in addition to the Benefice Services there will be -

Family Service for Mothering Sunday 10.00 a.m. Marston (FB/CS)

Family Service for Mothering Sunday 10.30 a.m. Caythorpe (ALM)

Family Service for Mothering Sunday 10.30 a.m. Barkston (JB)

Maundy Thursday 18th April

7.30 p.m. Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar at Barkston

Good Friday 19th April

2 p.m. At the Foot of the Cross at Marston

7 p.m. Dressing the Cross at Fulbeck

ST NICHOLAS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Every five years, the church is required to update its Electoral Roll.

If you would like to be on the roll for St. Nicholas Church, you just need to complete a simple form, not later than 31st March 2019.

Forms are available from the PCC secretary.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in Church on Tuesday 2nd April at 7 p.m..

Cora Townson
PCC Secretary
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development at 12 West Street, Barkston had been made, and that the previous objection had been maintained.

The Budget for 2019/20 was considered and agreed at £13,000. This is a reduction for the third year running. Members agreed to fund necessary repairs to the Bier Shelter at the Burial Ground and also to fund improvements to the picnic area. Funding was also agreed in support of the Playing Field and War Memorial maintenance.

The next meeting is on MONDAY 11th MARCH 2019 at 7.45 p.m. at the VILLAGE HALL.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2019

Elections for Parish Councillors within South Kesteven will take place on **THURSDAY 2ND MAY 2019**. These elections will be held at the same time as elections for District Councillors.

Although the Parish Council has a membership of nine, electors should be aware that six are elected from Barkston Parish and three from Syston Parish. There are therefore two elections effectively in the area, as well as any for the District Council.

The notice of election will be displayed by Tuesday 19th March, and nomination papers must be delivered **by hand** to the **Returning Officer at the South Kesteven District Council offices** by no later than **4pm on Wednesday 3rd April 2019**. Candidates are required to submit three forms as part of their nomination: nomination paper; candidate's consent to nomination, and home address form. These papers must be delivered **in person** to the Returning Officer. 'In person' means someone that the candidate trusts and does not have to be the candidate. **The Returning Officer will only be able to receive papers delivered by hand – any that are delivered by post cannot be accepted.**

The notice of election will specify more details about the relevant dates in the process, and a copy will be placed on the Parish Council website. Nomination packs will be available from the Returning Officer and a limited supply will also be available from the Parish Clerk, whose details are on the website.

Malcolm Hall
Clerk to the Parish Council

THE SERVICE ROTA SOUTH CLIFFE VILLAGES GROUP

Village	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday	5th Sunday
Date	3rd Mar	10th Mar Lent 1	17th Mar Lent 2	24th Mar Lent 3	31st Mar Lent 4
BARKSTON		10.30am HC/SH			
BELTON	10.30 a.m HC/SH				
BRANDON			09.00 a.m HC/SH		
CARLTON SCROOP with NORMANTON		18.00 EP/VicR		18.00 HC/SH	17.30 EP/SH
CAYTHORPE		10.30 a.m HC/ValR	18.00 CW	10.30 a.m HC/SH	
FULBECK	10.30 a.m HC/MC		10.30 a.m HC/SH		
HONINGTON					10.30a.m HC/SH
HOUGH ON THE HILL	09.00 a.m MP/BW	09.00 a.m HC/SH		09.00 a.m MP/BW	
HOUGHAM				09.00 a.m HC/SH	
MARSTON	9.00 a.m HC/SH		9.00 a.m MP//CS		
SYSTON		09.30a.m MP/VicR	10.30 a.m HC/MC		

In Addition: see church notice boards or web site www.southcliffchurches.uk

1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday	5th Sunday
7th April Lent 5	14th April Palm Sunday	21st April Easter	28th April Easter 2	
	10.30 a.m HC/SH			
10.30 a.m HC/MC				
	18.00 EP/Vic R		18.00 HC/SH	
	10.30 a.m HC/ValR	18.00 CW	10.30 a.m HC/SH	
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09.00 a.m MP/BW	09.00am HC/SH	09.00 HC/SH	09.00 a.m MP/BW	
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	9.30 a.m MP/Vic R	10.30 a.m HC/SH		

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25th March
29th April**