

# Welcome to the Parish of The Upper Wreake

and we are linked informally with the South Croxton Benefice and the Burrough Hill Group to form the **South West Framland Group Ministry**.

*"The church is less easy to manage than, say, a factory for making garden furniture. Churches are not just human groups organised round a straightforward task. They are primarily places of divine encounter, places where we wrestle with the meaning of God and the meaning of our own lives. They are bound to be untidy."*

Bishop Richard Holloway in 'Churches & How to Survive Them'

We believe God's intention for human beings is that we should grow in such love for him & such confidence in him that we would rightly be called God's sons & daughters. And that, if being baptised is being led to where Jesus is, then *"being baptised is being led towards the chaos & the neediness of a humanity that has forgotten its own destiny."* (Archbishop Rowan Williams)

We are all on a journey through life. A presupposition of the Church of England is that we do not travel alone. Where is God in relation to that journey? He is both the starting point and the ending point. Not only that but in all our rushing around between the beginning and the end, he is there too. So the journey we take is an accompanied one. God is with us every step of the way. And we seek to be his presence to others.

Which all means that when you come to any Anglican or Methodist church in the Parish of The Upper Wreake, you come to a place of divine encounter. **Join us** as we wrestle with what it means to "love God"; with what it means to "love your neighbour; with what it means to "love yourself".

**Do get in touch** if you have something to celebrate, such as a birth, an engagement or a marriage – we'd love to draw alongside. If you have a personal crisis due to illness, bereavement or other loss – we are here to accompany you. And if you are curious about the Christian faith and want to know more ... let's talk!



- 1) BROOKSBY  
St Michael & All Angels
- 2) FRISBY  
St Thomas of Canterbury
- 3) FRISBY Methodist

- 4) HOBY All Saints
- 5) HOBY Methodist
- 6) KIRBY St.Peter's
- 7) RAGDALE All Saints
- 8) ROTHERBY All Saints

We partner with local Methodists as "Churches Together" in the Upper Wreake

# SUNDAY SERVICE PATTERN & more!

*n.b. this pattern varies at Easter, Harvest,  
Remembrance, Christmas & on special occasions*

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
0830 *	Communion FRISBY	Communion BROOKSBY	Communion HOBY		
1030 ~	Family Svc HOBY	Family Svc ROTHERBY	Cafe Church FRISBY MC	Communion RAGDALE	GROUP Service
1800 “ or 1500				Evening Prayer KIRBY	

\* 0830 said **Prayer Book** Communion

~ 1030 **Family** = less formal service with hymns  
*(n.b. 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday alternates Hoby Church summer & Hoby Chapel winter)*  
**Cafe Church** = united, informal service with pastries! *(Methodist Chapel)*

“ 1800 **Evening Prayer** times alternate with clock changes summer & winter

**WEDNESDAYS** : 9.15 am Holy Communion (BCP) in St.Thomas, Frisby

**1<sup>st</sup> SATURDAYS** : 3-5pm Messy Church in the Methodist Chapel,  
Frisby

*\* church ... just messier! for children, parents & grandparents \**

**TUESDAYS** : 3pm New Life (House) Group, 55 Main Street, Rotherby

*\* studying... praying... serving... growing... contact Sue Smith 434175 \**

plus other opportunities throughout the year to explore faith  
=> see 'Up the Wreake' Magazine for service time/location each month <=

