

The Parish of North, East and West Barsham



Friends of the Barsham Churches an **Appeal for your Help!**

Regular Service Times

1st Sunday of the Month 10am **Assumption, West Barsham**

Saturday [3pm Winter] 6pm **All Saints', East Barsham**
before the 3rd Sunday of the Month

4th Sunday of the Month 10am **All Saints', North Barsham**

You are assured of a warm welcome at all our Services

*To arrange Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals or request a visit
contact Fr Andrew 01328 821316 andrew@redmail.co.uk*

From the Vicar: The Reverend Andrew Mitcham

Since my arrival in the parish I have been conscious of how privileged I am to be ministering in such a beautiful, inspiring and friendly place as the Barshams. Those of us who live and work here have much to give thanks for in terms of our historical heritage, the natural beauty of this part of North Norfolk and the sense of community which has been built up here throughout the generations.

Our three parish churches of North, East and West Barsham are an integral part both of the landscape and the life we share together today. Built, re-built and maintained through the financial support and physical labour of parishioners past and present, these ancient and remarkable buildings are a timeless witness to the love of God and the mission and ministry of the Church. For hundreds of years villagers have come to their Parish Church in times of joy and sadness. Countless christenings, confirmations, marriages and funerals have taken place within their ancient walls, and our buildings have provided a sacred space for public worship as well as for private prayer and reflection.

Conscious of the inheritance we have received, and of our ongoing responsibility to the people of the Barshams; the members of the Parochial Church Council are appealing to the local community, and to our friends from further afield, to help keep our three churches in regular use and in good repair. The rising cost of insurance, electricity and maintaining our churchyards, plus a recent increase in Parish Share (which helps pay for the clergy), has resulted in a serious monthly deficit. Our financial reserves are now so low that we cannot continue to manage on our own. The PCC receives no State aid or other outside help.

We are therefore asking all those who live in the parish, or have family ties with the Barshams, or who would simply like to assist; to consider making a regular contribution to enable us to keep our churches open. If you are able to help us please print this leaflet and tear off the Form opposite and return it to the Barsham PCC Treasurer c/o The Vicarage, Church Street, Walsingham, Norfolk NR22 6BL.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this Appeal.

With best wishes and assurance of my prayers

Fr Andrew

A PROMISE – *Please complete this section in full*

I promise to make a regular, planned contribution to the work and witness of the Churches of North, East and West Barsham.

£ _____ each **Month**
Quarter
Year

Starting on ___ / ___ / ___ (date) and continuing until I inform you otherwise.

Full Name _____
(BLOCK letters, please)

Address _____

Postcode _____

I wish to pay my contribution by:

- Standing Order from my Bank
- Cheques payable to “East, North and West Barsham PCC”
to the Barsham PCC Treasurer c/o The Vicarage, Church Street,
Walsingham, Norfolk NR22 6BL.

Signature: _____ date: ___ / ___ / ___

B DECLARATION UNDER GIFT AID SCHEME – *UK tax payers only*

Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts of money made from the date of this declaration and in the past four years. I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities (including churches) and Community Amateur Sports Clubs that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give. Please notify the church if you: want to cancel this declaration, change your name or home address, no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains. Gift Aid is linked to basic rate tax. Basic rate tax is currently 20%, which currently allows charities to reclaim 25 pence on the pound.

Signature: _____ date: ___ / ___ / ___

C BANKERS ORDER FORM – Please complete if you wish to pay by Standing Order.

To the Manager _____ Bank/Building Soc.

Address of Bank _____
or Building Society _____

Please pay to the Parish Churches of **East, North & West Barsham** through its account held at **Barclays Bank plc, Fakenham**. Sort Code **20-30-81** Account Number **40346993**. Account Name **East, North & West Barsham PCC**

The sum of £ _____ (-in words- _____)

Beginning on the _____ day of _____ 20_____

and the same amount every **Month** **Quarter**
 Year

Until further notice, and quoting my name by way of reference.
Please debit my account with each payment when made.

Please delete the line below if no previous order is in force:

This order cancels my existing Banker's Order in favour of the above churches.

Signature: _____ date: ___ / ___ / ___

Address _____

_____ Postcode _____

Account Name: _____ Number: _____

(BLOCK letters, please)

Sort Code: _____