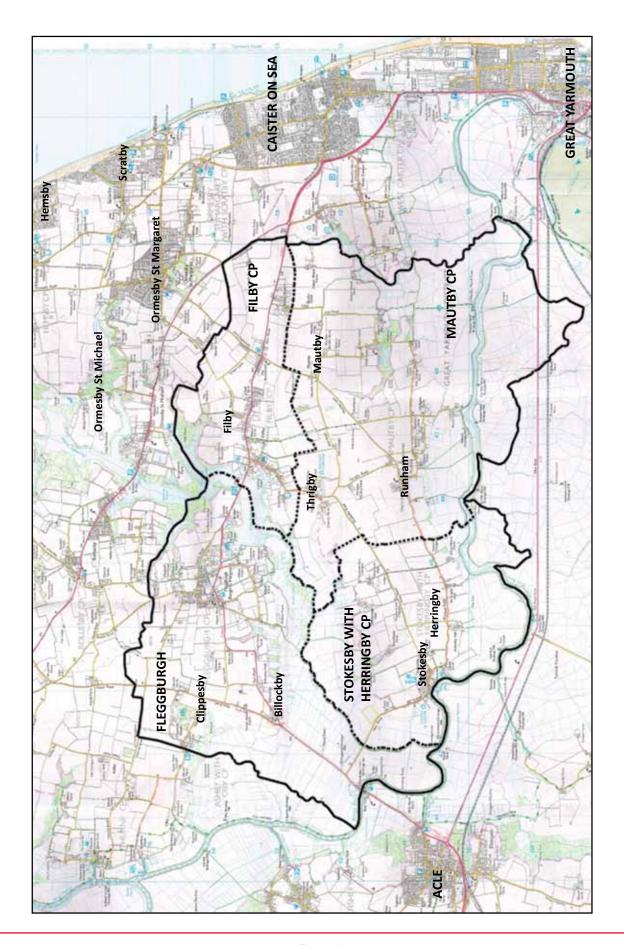


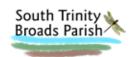


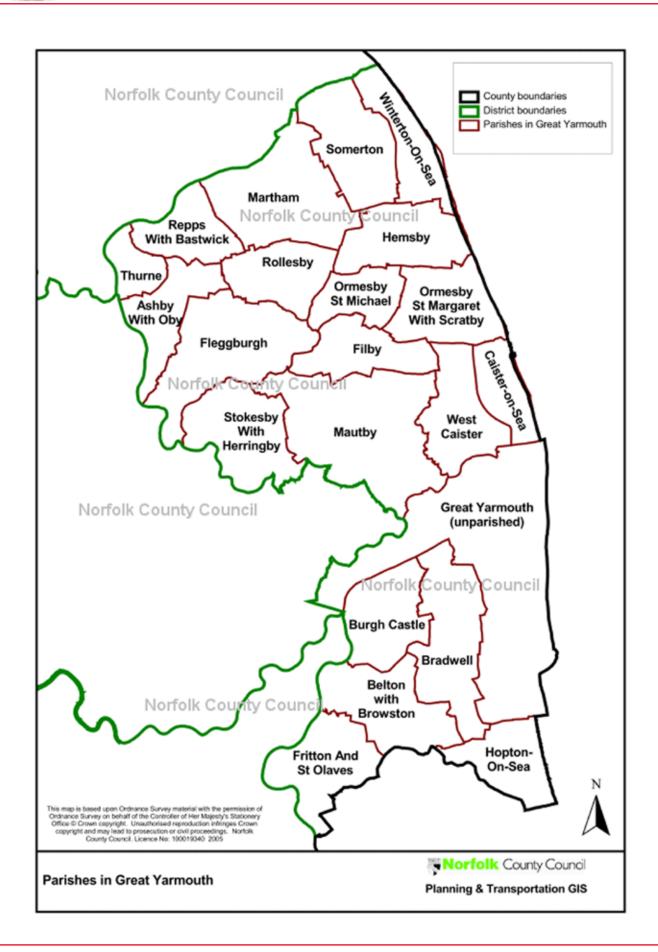
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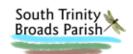
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Parish Profile for South Trinity Broads Parish 2016

The South Trinity Broads Parish is in the beautiful and rural Broads area of East Norfolk and includes the villages of Billockby, Filby, Fleggburgh, Mautby, Runham, Stokesby and Thrigby. There is a serving village church in each of those places.

Since January 2016, the five separate parishes within the Benefice have merged to become one united Parish; The South Trinity Broads Parish, which has one, joint, PCC.

Services are held at Filby, Fleggburgh, Mautby, Runham and Stokesby according to a regular pattern of worship throughout the year. Monthly evening services are held at Billockby and Thrigby during the summer months, only.

The South Trinity Broads Parish is in the Deanery of Great Yarmouth, and is also part of the Flegg Group of Churches. The Group includes the Flegg Group (Martham); the Flegg Group (Ormesby); and the Flegg Group (Coastal). The four incumbents of the Flegg Group churches meet from time to time for fellowship and mutual support, and to look at ways in which they might be able to work together.

There are two schools within the Parish; Fleggburgh C of E Primary School and Filby Primary School and close relationships have been forged with the staff and children through Open the Book, After-school Club at Fleggburgh, and by inviting the schools into church to celebrate special festivals and occasions.

Messy Church at Filby meets monthly and has encouraged new families to join in and experience worship for the first time.











Our Strengths

- Within our congregations are people who have many and varied gifts, which they willingly share.
- We are very proud of our church family and of our church buildings, many of which have been reordered and improved to enable us go forward and embrace the future.
- Strong links have built up with our community over recent years with initiatives such as...
 - Messy Church which has been meeting at Filby Church on the second Thursday of the month since 2010 and encourages new families to come and experience church a different way.
 - Luncheon Club which meets at Stokesby Village Hall on the fourth Thursday of the month and is enjoyed by folk of all ages.
 - Holiday Club at Runham Church which has been enjoyed for the past 8 years and is held during one week
 of the summer holiday in August for children aged 5 11.
 - Open the Book at Filby and Fleggburgh Schools which has been telling children stories from the Bible weekly during term times and is now in its seventh year.









Our Challenges

- We are a rural community, spread out over several villages, with an ancient church building in each village and with ageing congregations.
- We would like to encourage growth in numbers, especially among the younger members of our community.
- Although we have made some progress in recent years to reach out to families and children in our surrounding villages, there is still a big gap to fill to encourage younger people to participate in activities and it must be a priority to increase our growth in this area.
- The Youth Club at Runham has recently re-started and is making an effort towards bridging that gap.
- South Trinity Broads has recently become one joint Parish and everyone is still learning to work together to support one another in mission and in fund-raising, so that the weakest of us is supported in every way by those who are stronger.
- Much time and effort is taken up in fund-raising activities in order to maintain church buildings and to meet the ever-increasing Parish Share.
- We recognise the need to increase mission within the wider community and look outward in giving funds to situations where there is a greater need
- We have met together for prayer/study, led by our previous incumbent, but seem to lack the ability to organise ourselves for home groups and prayer study.
- Café Church on the fifth Sunday has been an opportunity to try something completely different but has had limited success bringing everyone together and encouraging growth in numbers.





All Saints', Billockby

All that remains of All Saints' Church is the chancel, which has been sympathetically adapted for use in this sparsely populated village. The nave, south porch and tower were destroyed in a great gale in 1762. Services are held here occasionally, mostly evening services during the summer months



All Saints', Filby

Filby church has a medieval rood screen which dates from the 15th century and is said to be one of the best surviving in the area. Filby has just undergone a reordering project to install a new kitchen, vestry and toilets. Two rows of pews have been removed to open up the space needed to embrace new forms of worship and better community use of the building. Tower repair work and installation of a new sound system are both underway.



St Margaret's, Fleggburgh

Fleggburgh once had two parishes, St Mary's and St Margaret's, but the old church of St Mary now stands in ruins in the centre of a field about half-mile eastwards of St Margaret's and is deconsecrated. Fleggburgh Church has strong links with the children at the C of E primary school which is just across the road from the church. A lottery-funded grant is enabling repair work to the thatched roof.



St Peter & St Paul, Mautby

The village of Mautby dates back to before the Domesday Book. The church is situated within a rural farming area with dwellings scattered through the vast acreage of land. There is an enthusiastic and hard working church community here which has just won an award for being one of the most welcoming churches in the Diocese of Norwich. Reordering work has recently been carried out and lovely new kitchen and toilet have been installed.





St Peter & St Paul, Runham

This church was almost derelict until it was restored, largely by the enthusiasm of a group of villagers who wanted to save their church, with the help of English Heritage and the Norfolk Churches Trust. It has no fixed pews and so is a great space for all kinds of activities – including a Summer Holiday Club which is a valuable outreach and has been enjoyed by many over a number of years. This year we all "Went Bananas!"



St Mary's, Thrigby

The church at Thrigby is surrounded by a Wildlife Park, and the tigers can been seen in their enclosure from the graveyard. The howler monkeys certainly make their presence known! Apart from Thrigby Wildlife Park and the farm next door, there are only a few residential properties left in Thrigby and regular services are no longer held here. However, the occasional funeral, wedding or baptism still takes place and evening services are held once a month during summertime.



St Andrew's, Stokesby with Herringby

Stokesby is a thriving little community based on the banks of the River Bure. There are frequent events in the village hall, which is where the Luncheon Club takes place. St Andrew's and Stokesby village attracts plenty of visitors during the summer who are on boating holidays on the Broads and who moor up by the Ferry Inn and the village green. It is said that St. Andrew's church has some of the finest brasses in Norfolk.



South Trinity Broads Parish

Who takes care of these churches?

The Local Church Councils

2016 has been quite a momentous year for the South Trinity Broads Parish. On the 9th January, the very first meeting of the South Trinity Broads Parish Church Council was held and a new, single Parish Constitution agreed.

Previously the South Trinity Broads Benefice comprised of five different parishes and five separate PCCs (Filby and Thrigby were already joint, as were Fleggburgh and Billockby).

Now, there is just one, single PCC, but each church has a Local Church Council (LCC) which meets as determined locally. Each LCC has representation on the Parish Church Council.

LCC members are responsible for...

- The fabric of their own church buildings, including expenditure to agreed delegated limits.
- Preparing church mission statistics.
- Producing the church electoral role.
- Organising fund raising to meet the budget and encouraging involvement in Parish events.
- Preparing grant applications and applying for faculties where necessary.
- Producing annual reports (including fabric reports) for the PCC annual meeting.

The Parish Church Council

The PCC has been meeting on a monthly basis, since its formation in January 2016, as there is much to discuss and plan together about how to make the new Parish work and move forward in the future. It is still a work in progress, but great strides have been made already.

The PCC comprises of...

- The Incumbent.
- The Vice Chairperson.
- Two churchwardens from each of the churches plus one other nominated person from each church who will attend the meeting if one of the churchwardens cannot be present. This ensures equal representation from each church.
- The Secretary.
- The Treasurer.
- The Deanery Synod Representative.

The responsibilities of the PCC include...

- Initiating and coordinating mission and ministry across the whole parish and supporting churches in their individual mission and ministry.
- Encouraging, supporting and promoting the parish 'Committed to Growth' plans.
- Monitoring church accounts, claiming gift aid & VAT recovery, preparing a budget for Parish Share contribution and maintaining parish consolidated accounts.
- In agreement with the Incumbent, determining patterns of worship and times/places for special celebrations across the parish.
- Coordinating parish fund-raising events.
- Appointment of Foundation Governor for Fleggburgh School.
- Delegating responsibilities to LCCs as agreed, e.g. delegated spending limits.



Who takes care of these churches? (continued)

The Parish Treasurer currently has the task of setting up one joint Parish account and is working her way through the individual church accounts and bringing them all together into one account. It is quite a mammoth task, but we will gain from the pain and toil of this difficult task once it is completed!

Our Reader

Our Licensed Lay Minister (Reader) is closely involved in all aspects of parish life, preaching regularly, taking non-Eucharist services on her own and sharing in other acts of worship. She participates in children's work (After School Club, Open the Book, Messy Church and Holiday Club, leading school assemblies), leads the Advent and Lent study groups as required, does home visits and prays with people when asked. She has the Bishop's licence to bury the dead or read the burial service before or after a cremation. She is keen to continue to work alongside a new incumbent if required.

There is also a retired Reader in the parish.

Deanery

The Great Yarmouth Deanery is a mainly rural deanery stretching along the East Anglian coast and includes the seaside town of Great Yarmouth, where the Minster Church of St Nicholas is the largest parish church in England.

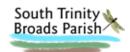
The Reverend John Kinchin-Smith is the Rural Dean.

There are 37 churches, 29 parishes within the Deanery.

Diocese

The South Trinity Broads Parish is in the Diocese of Norwich.





Starting with Stokesby

St Andrew's church, which dates from the 13th century, is in the pretty village of Stokesby and sits high up overlooking the village. The River Bure winds along past the edge of the village green and the Ferry Inn, which is a pleasant spot to sit and watch the boats go by. The Riverside Stores and Tea Rooms provides most things that visitors or locals might need and is open between Easter and November.

Stokesby has a population of around 300 but the church



St Andrew's is home to some of the finest brasses in Norfolk dating back to 1488 and the de Clere family. A local artist has illustrated a Prayer Walk leaflet and the information has also been translated into Dutch as many overseas visitors holidaying on boats moor at the Ferry Inn.

Every two years, a flower festival is held when the church is always beautifully decorated and well supported.

A joint parish Advent Sunday Service is traditionally celebrated in Stokesby, followed by a shared meal





does struggle to attract new members. The Electoral Roll currently stands at 11, and at present there is only one service here each month.

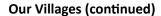
Despite the small congregation, Stokesby is supported by non-church members who are always ready and willing to help when the need arises. The churchyard is well kept by three such volunteers from the village and we have a conservation area which provides habitat for wild flowers. We even have a colony of bees, known as "Bertie's Bees" which live in the flint of the tower.



together.

Friday night social club and quiz evenings take place regularly at the busy village hall. Other special events include the Beer Festival, Produce and Art & Craft Shows and Murder/Mystery plays. This is where the Parish Lunch Club is held monthly, when a home cooked lunch is on offer and is nearly always well attended. After lunch, there is a time of worship on offer for those who wish to stay.

Stokesby Village Fete takes place on the first Sunday of August on the village green.





Open Air Nativity plays have been held in the past, once at Woodlands Farm and more recently through the village centre, culminating with a service at St Andrew's. The donkeys were very well behaved in church! Stokesby residents always seem keen to participate in events of this kind.

In the future, and with the help of a legacy already received, there are plans to add a kitchen and toilets to the church, so that we can diversify with other events and services such as Café Church. The long term plan is for St Andrew's to become a Heritage Site, which would attract more people.



Although St Andrew's has always paid its Parish Share in full, it could be said that this church is financially poor but it should also be said that, although our church members are few, our support from non-church members makes us rich. It is a challenge to involve more people into church worship, but we feel it is one that, with a bit of help, guidance and leadership, we may be able to achieve.

Focus on Fleggburgh and Billockby

St Margaret's, Fleggburgh and All Saints', Billockby are in close proximity, situated on the A1064 between Acle and Caister. The villages are mainly farming communities and this means that the larger working sector has to travel to Norwich, Great Yarmouth or further afield to secure employment. To some extent, we are a dormitory community with a fair percentage of retired people.

Fleggburgh is also known as Burgh St Margaret.

Fleggburgh

The church of St Margaret will shortly commence work on the replacement of the thatch roof, funded mainly through the National Lottery Fund, and it is hoped that the work will commence in early spring of 2017.

We are delighted to have regular bell ringers with practise sessions and regular bell ringing at some services. This has

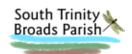




proved to be a real boost to all and we are most pleased to have their participation in our church.

Fleggburgh C of E Primary School recently celebrated 150 years with a wonderful church service attended by the Bishop of Norwich. Previous incumbents worked hard to form strong relationships with the teachers and children, and we hope to continue and strengthen this relationship. Open the Book assemblies are enjoyed by the children and this, along with services at Harvest, Christmas and Easter helps nurture and get to know them better.

Our Villages (continued)



Fleggburgh Village has a thriving, modern Hall, offering various activities for young and old; playgroups, keep fit classes, short mat bowls, badminton, craft fayres and much more.

The King's Arms Pub is recently refurbished and very popular with the community and passing trade.

The Broadland Sports Club provides membership with gymnasium, tennis, indoor swimming pool, squash and badminton. There is also a hairdresser and beauty salon.





Broad Farm Caravan Park offers many amenities to visiting holidaymakers with camping and caravans.

Fleggburgh Surgery is a small but busy medical practise with a GP, nursing staff and dispensary.

Billockby

The charming small All Saints' church is a partly restored ruin and worship takes place from Easter until September. This is a remote and peaceful place, where Sunrise Service is usually held on Easter Sunday, followed by breakfast at Billockby Farm.

More about Mautby

The round tower church of St Peter & St Paul, Mautby is a very traditional country church with modern values.

Mautby Village has a very small population and, in truth, the regular congregation comprises of people who have grass roots in Mautby but no longer reside there. Currently there are 18 on the Electoral Roll.

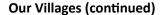
The church has very good support from local people and we enjoy several fund-

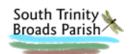
raising events including a



Summer fete, a Christmas evening and a Harvest Festival, to name but a few. On occasions, the tower is open to the public to enjoy the views of the rural countryside, which has proven to be very popular.

Through hard work, together with a lot of fun and comradeship over the years and a legacy, we raised enough funds to build a brand new, well-equipped kitchen and toilet extension in 2014. With the help of a grant from the Listed Places of Worship, work commenced in October 2016 to repair the Tower roof.





In 2016, Mautby Church was awarded a 'Commended' certificate for 'Most Welcoming Church in the Norwich Diocese'. The church is always open and we pride ourselves in keeping the church spic and span with refreshments always on offer for our visitors.

We are always pleased to read comments left in the Visitors Book, especially ones like "Lovely peaceful country church, beautifully kept." There is also a quiet Prayer Corner and visitors are invited to leave a prayer in the box. We are blessed with a very good sound system, installed in 2015, which enables the hard of hearing to



possibility of extending the existing footpath walk from the church directly to the Castle. This is an exciting new project which should bring more tourism to the area resulting, we hope, in more visitors to our church.

September 2017 marks the 70th anniversary of a tragic incident, when a Lincoln bomber aircraft crashed in Mautby. A Commemoration Service in honour of the nine airmen who died is planned at Mautby Church, involving the RAF, British Legion and local Emergency Services.

Of course, we would like to see more of the Mautby





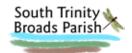
capture the whole service. All of the improvements made have brought this 12th century church into the 21st century without spoiling a beautiful, old, country church.

Mautby is currently involved with a three year project called "600 Paston Footprints". Margaret Paston wrote many of her famous letters here. She lived locally and was buried in the South Aisle. The Paston Society will be holding a re-enactment day involving the local schools, which have shown interest in including this local history as part of their curriculum. Nearby Caister Castle has links to the Pastons and there are plans to investigate the



residents become part of our regular congregation, and that is one challenge we would love to achieve. It is true that the church building is very dear to us and is, in fact, held in very passionate regard.

One thing we all agree on, is that Mission is also very important and, as much as we strive to work hard to find funds to meet running and repair costs, as well as our portion of the Parish Share, we also want to focus and concentrate on reaching out in Mission. We look forward to working alongside a new Incumbent who, we hope, could support us to achieve this.



Right then Runham

St Peter & St Paul, Runham sits at the end of the village, which has a population of about 180.

In the last twenty years, with help from all parts of the village and church communities, including grants from English Heritage, the church has undergone a revival. From being a building considered to be derelict, it is now a fully functioning church.



of teaching us all more about Jesus.

The Youth Group in Runham has recently started up again, every fortnight, after a short break, and we wish to encourage children aged 7-14 to come along as we recognise there is a gap within our Parish in this age group particularly.

Runham village has a thriving bowls club and a village hall which hosts lots of community activities. Villagers can hire the hall for free at any time. A singing group meets there once a week and holds concerts at the church throughout



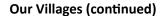


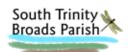
It has a new floor, beautifully lime-washed walls and a new set of oak doors. It has no fixed pews and so is a wonderful, flexible space which is perfect for all sorts of uses and events. Next on the wish-list is heating and lighting. The church is open every day.

For one week in August, Runham is alive with the sounds of laughter and mayhem as Holiday Club takes over. This year the church was transformed into a tropical paradise and the children were flown to Banana Island to meet Biblical characters transported via a time machine! All great fun for children and leaders alike, with a serious aim











the year.

We are always looking for opportunities to invite our community to come into church, with events such as harvest, musical concerts and carols around the village. Although these events are well attended, there have been occasions when they have not been so well supported by the local villagers but we are still a work in progress and we will keep working on it!

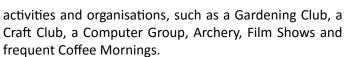
And finally, Filby

The village of Filby is situated at the edge of the Norfolk Broads, between Filby Broad and Ormesby Little Broad, some six miles north-west of Great Yarmouth and 16 miles east of the city of Norwich. The village has an area of a little over 2.2 square miles and, in the 2011 census, it had a population of 765 in 309 households.

In 2015, the new Village Hall was built on the Playing Field, next to the Bowling Green, home to many village





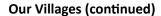


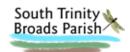
Filby Fete is held on the playing field, annually, at August Bank Holiday and is always a busy event with a variety of stalls and sideshows which attracts holiday makers and locals alike.

Filby is also quite famous around these parts for its success in both the Anglia and Britain in Bloom competitions and has won many gold awards over recent years. A small









team of green-fingered volunteers meets on Saturday mornings and makes the village a blooming success.

Filby Broad is home to the Norfolk Schools' Sailing Association and children and adults alike learn to sail on this lovely safe stretch of water. Filby Bridge Restaurant is in a beautiful location overlooking the Broad and, besides the tasty meals, a monthly quiz is hotly contested, with funds from the event donated to the church.

Filby has a well-stocked post office and shop, a launderette and a hairdresser. Sadly, in recent years, the village's two



other equestrian activities and, at the edge of the village, Thrigby Wildlife Gardens is home to a large collection of exotic animals and endangered species and is a top tourist attraction which is open all year round.

Community involvement in Filby

Filby Primary School is home to around 80 pupils aged 4-11 years and is situated on Thrigby Road in the centre of the village. The church and school have built up a very good relationship, over recent years, and the children and their teachers and parents come into church from time to





pubs have closed, but there are plans to have a community run bar as part of a Social Club at the Playing Field. There is a community or chard and allotments where gardeners enjoy a mardle and take great pride in their plots and the produce.

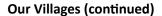
There are several footpaths and farm tracks, up to the church and around the fields and countryside, leading to Thrigby Mill, where, with the owner's permission, it is possible to climb to the top of the Mill and see for miles!

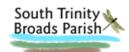
Croft Farm Riding Centre provides riding lessons and



time to celebrate special occasions and festivals. A team of volunteers goes into school on Monday mornings to lead assembly with Open the Book. The school is always keen to join in with the displays in church at special Festivals or events.

The reordering work inside Filby Church is now complete, and work to repair the tower should be underway soon. Two rows of pews were removed from the north and south aisles and the work has been carried out to such a high standard that even those who, initially, had doubts about it, can see that the church is now fit for the 21st







century. Complete with a kitchen and two toilets, we can now look forward to the future and make plans. In 2016, even with building work going on around us, many activities and events have taken place, well supported by the local community. Now there is more space to hold the plant sale, the book sale, and concerts and lunches.

Each year we look forward to a visit by The Filby Association, a group of people from across the world who share the name "Filby" and who have a long standing association with Filby Church.

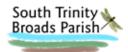








Messy Church



An opportunity for families to hear bible stories, sing songs and pray together in a relaxed atmosphere. A chance for all the family to express their creativity. A time to share a meal with one another. A time when families can have fun together!



The very first Messy Church took place at Filby Church in July 2010.



It felt like a really big step into the unknown and we weren't sure if we had the space (this was before the reordering when we had fixed pews and a tiny kitchen and loo), or if anyone would actually even turn up!

But we needn't have worried – Messy Church was a big hit right from the beginning and the Messy Church family has been growing – and shrinking – and growing again ever since!





The truth is, you never know who or how many will come and there have been times when it really did feel like feeding the 5,000 from the tiny kitchen, from where the meals just seemed to keep appearing!

The journey along the way has been great fun with additional special events, as well as regular monthly Messy Church. We've had parties, picnics and barbeques, outings with story trails, visits to the wildlife park and puppet shows. We've also enjoyed a couple of brilliant joint Duggie Dug Dug (aka Doug Horley) Praise Parties when we linked up with neighbouring Messy Churches.









And now Filby church has been wonderfully reordered and two whole rows of pews have been removed giving plenty of space to spread out with crafts and to sit at tables for teatime. We have a sparkly new kitchen with all mod cons and TWO lovely new toilets – bliss!!

We hope and pray that we can continue to share the love of God and join together in worship and fellowship with young families in our community through Messy Church for many years to come.





The Rectory

The parish rectory is located in Fleggburgh.

It is a spacious, detached home (4 bedrooms) with large, bright and airy rooms.

Set well back off the Main Road, it has a large, detached garage and plenty of parking.

It has a large, private garden, mostly lawn, with assorted fruit and vegetable areas.

Downstairs is an office/study/meeting room for the Incumbent to receive visitors without impacting the rest of the household.

Also, downstairs, is a large lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room and cloakroom.













Services

At present, the service pattern allows for each of the churches a share of Eucharistic worship. Services do not take place at all churches every Sunday and congregations join together to share worship when there is no service at their usual church. When there is a fifth Sunday in the month, a Benefice Service is held at each church in turn. This takes the form of Café Church.

Below is a typical pattern of worship:

	Mautby	Runham	Stokesby	Fleggburgh	Filby
1st Sunday	9am HC	4.30pm ES		10.30am FS	10.30am MP
2nd Sunday	9am MP	9am HC			10.30am HC
3rd Sunday	9am HC			10.30am MP	10.30am HC
4th Sunday		10.30am FS	9am HC	10.30am HC	
5th Sunday			Benefice Service		

HC = Holy Communion

FS = Family Service

MP = Morning Prayer (lead by lay members of the congregation)

ES = Evening Service

In addition, from April to September, monthly evening services are held at All Saints', Billockby and St Mary's, Thrigby. These vary from very traditional worship using the Book of Common Prayer (normally at Billockby) to trying something completely different at Thrigby, for instance Celtic style worship or Taizé.

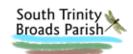
The retiring Incumbent has worn cassock and surplice, or plain cassock alb, for communion. No special vestments for festivals. The Incumbent is usually assisted by a Church Warden or Reader. There are also some people with the Bishop's permission to assist. Some churches use seasonal variations of liturgical colours.

Saints' Days are not normally celebrated unless they fall on a Sunday, except at morning office.

Music is provided in a variety of ways. Filby has a beautiful organ but, unfortunately the organist retired recently and the new organist is only available to play occasionally. At other times, a CD player is used. Filby should soon have a new sound system. Mautby has an organist and, also, a sound system when required. Fleggburgh has a hymn machine and Runham and Stokesby both use a CD player for their music.

There is some lay involvement. Mautby has a lay led service once a month. Filby has a worship group which leads the Morning Prayer service, once a month, and prayers are sometimes lay led at other services.

Morning Prayer is said at 8.30am at Mautby on Monday, Runham on Tuesday, Stokesby on Wednesday, and at 9am at Fleggburgh on Thursday and Filby on Saturday (Friday was the previous Incumbent's day off).



Just some of the things we do together

Benefice Lunch Club

Every third Thursday of the month, at Stokesby Village Hall, a three course, home cooked meal, complete with a glass of sherry, wine or juice is served for just £5 and between 20 and 30 folk from all over the parish and beyond regularly come along. We offer a lift for anyone in need of transport. After the meal, there is a short time of Bible worship and prayer.



Open the Book

Fleggburgh and Filby Schools have embraced Open the Book and teams of storytellers have been welcomed for the last six years. The material for Open the Book covers three years, so the storytellers have been through it all twice and are now telling the stories for the third time! Each school has a team of four adults (with a few others who will step in when needed) who come from an ecumenical mix of churches. Open the Book has been a great way to encourage churches to work together to bring the Bible stories alive and to form good relationships with our young children and their teachers in our schools.

Café Church

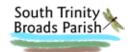
The fifth Sunday of the month is an opportunity to try something different and Café Church has been an experimental project. Typically, it starts with traditional Holy Communion at 9am (which most regular church members attend) followed by breakfast and a chance to chat or read the Sunday papers. Some just come in for the bacon and the newspapers, but that's okay. The family service at 10.30am is a little different from the norm, perhaps some puppets, lots of action songs, or some animation on the screen. In between, there is usually some craft activity. It's an attempt to encourage people in our community to come to Church on Sunday but success has been limited and it is proving very hard to encourage new people. But we keep trying!



Rogation Sunday

Rogation Sunday usually involves climbing aboard a trailer and being towed by a tractor, visiting farms, singing hymns and praying for lots of crops and farm animals, often accompanied by a stray Bishop or Archdeacon. Cows have been blessed at the dairy farm, chickens and eggs at the chicken farm, pigs in their pig pens, potatoes, sugar beet, wheat, barley and blackcurrants have all been given thanks for. It is a chance to come together in our glorious countryside to thank God for all His gifts, freely given, as well as being part of the life story of well-known brands of crisps, frozen chips, bags of sugar and blackcurrant drink!





Plough Sunday

Another chance to get out on the farm and sing together in a barn is on Plough Sunday. This normally involves blessing a gigantic piece of the latest technology farm machinery, which the farmer is always keen to talk about, followed by tea and a cake.



Palm Sunday

All the churches are within walking distance of one another, and, on Palm Sunday, a walk takes place between the two chosen that year. The morning begins with a blessing of the palms before the group sets off, usually accompanied by a dog, or two, to walk the quiet country road to join the rest of the congregation for refreshment and worship at the Palm Sunday service.

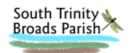
Holiday Club

Runham really comes alive for a week in August when Holiday Club arrives. For the past eight years, the parish has run a 5 day Holiday Club for 5 to 11's. With a few props and a lot of imagination, Runham Church has become a space station, a polar expedition centre, a cruise ship, a rubbish tip, and this year, a tropical island. One of the joys of Holiday Club has been to see some of the children develop into young helpers and return in their teenage years to help lead the younger children. Adult helpers too, from all church backgrounds, have learned to work together, and have fun together.



There are other events which bring the churches together and help to encourage non-churchgoers to join in; the farm nativities, advent windows, Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, carol singing and an Easter workshop, to name a few. Although congregations are relatively small in regular Sunday worship, the community is generally supportive when special events are planned.

An important part of our mission is to continue to grow in numbers, so we would wish our new incumbent to have the vision and skills to encourage and support us to connect more fully with the community.



Parish Finances

In January 2016, when the new joint Parish was formed, the Parish Treasurer began the task of amalgamating the five sets of accounts into one joint Parish account. This task is now well underway and it is hoped the process will be completed very soon.

The following information is a simplified account, adding together the receipts and payments from the five sets of accounts which were produced at the end of 2015.

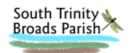
Receipts

Total receipts	£143,641
Non-recurring	£69,773
Other	£4,749
Fund raising	£12,873
Fees	£8,806
Collections	£11,027
Giving	£36,413

Payments

Total payments	£146,685
Major repairs	£88,287
Minor repairs	£5,167
Expenses	£19,091
Clergy expenses	£2,949
Parish share	£30,746
Donations	£445

In 2014, the Parish Share was paid in full; in 2015 there was a shortfall of £2,000, but we hope to pay in full again in 2016.



Our Mission Strategy

"To God who by the power at work in us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen." (Ephesians 3.20.21)

In 2015, Bishop Graham James and the Diocese of Norwich launched a new mission strategy, "Committed to Growth".

We were asked three key questions...

- What are some of the good things already happening in our parish in relation to mission and outreach?
- What are our biggest challenges or obstacles to mission and outreach?
- What areas of resources or support did we feel we needed?

Here, in this parish, we thought about encouraging spiritual growth, encouraging growth in numbers and growth in our ability to serve the community around us.

There are some very good things already happening in our parish with outreach and fresh expressions of worship through such things as Open the Book and Messy Church. Outside of the parish, whenever possible, the hospital chaplaincy has been supported through leading and participating in the Sunday evening worship in the hospital multifaith room, which is transmitted via the hospital radio.

In response to the challenge, we recognised the need to deepen our experience of prayer and discipleship and reach out to the more vulnerable within our community through initiatives such as morning prayer and lunch club. Café Church has been an attempt to reach new people, but it has had only limited success.

We have questioned what more can we do to share God's love in the community? Pastoral care is important and we have discussed a supportive team to provide care and help to the vulnerable, sick, elderly, lonely, or anyone in need. Although there are no residential homes in the parish, there are a small number of former parishioners in care elsewhere.

This year a new Committed to Growth Mission Strategy 2021 has been launched, building on Committed to Growth. We are challenged by the need to think about how we can change in this parish, in order to grow and increase our maturity of faith and develop and nurture relationships within our community.

Qualities we are looking for from our new priest-in-charge

The PCC believes that a prayerful, committed and compassionate Incumbent is needed for the South Trinity Broads Parish who will...

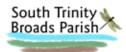
- Preach with sensitivity and understanding, communicating the Gospel in an inclusive and engaging style.
- Continue to provide variety of styles in worship according to the needs of each congregation.
- Support the church community through change and enable creative thinking about our growth plan.
- Be community minded and develop networks of relationships locally.
- Be resilient, caring and sociable.
- Be someone with a sense of humour
- Encourage us to be willing to step outside our comfort zone.

We are looking forward to working with the next minister who God is sending to help us to keep growing together, build on our strengths, and to explore new areas of challenge and opportunities.

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