

# TAS VALLEY TEAM NEWS

September 2014

## New Drama Cell

Drama cell explores faith and the bible through drama. Like other cells we follow the 4 Ws format but they take a slightly different form

**Welcome** - An icebreaker game

**Word** - Acting out a biblical text

**Witness** - Pray for people on our hearts and film the drama

**Worship** - Meditation and creative group prayer

Drama cell is for teens and adults. Anyone over the age of twelve is warmly welcome.

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First Meeting: **Tue, 9 Sept, 7:30- 8.30pm @ St Peters, Swainsthorpe**



What does it mean "We are N?" - In Mosul, the Arabic letter, "N" has been daubed on the homes of Christians (often called 'Nasrani' in Arabic) to identify them as targets for persecution or execution by ISIS. This symbol has been picked up around the world as a way in which we can identify with those who are persecuted. The Church of England is encouraging all Christians to display this message as a sign of solidarity with our brothers and sisters. You can go to [www.churchofengland.org/iraq](http://www.churchofengland.org/iraq) to download the poster and/or to find other ways to pray, act and give to stop the slaughter.

## Harvest Celebrations

13th-14th Sept - Art & Flower Festival Swainsthorpe, ending with Songs of Praise 4.30pm

21st Sept - 6pm Harvest Festival at Tharston

28th Sept - 11am Services at Saxlingham Nethergate & Newton Flotman followed by Harvest lunches; 4.30pm Harvest Tea at Shotesham All Saints, 6pm Service with Harvest Supper at Swainsthorpe

5th October - Harvest Service 9.30am at Tasburgh followed by community lunch in the village hall

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### *Alpha Evening with Nicky Gumbel at Norfolk Showground*

Join us on the 2nd October at the Norfolk Showground for Alpha hosted by **Nicky Gumbel** and the Who Cares? team, with guests including **Darrell Tunningley**. Doors open at 6:30pm for 7:30pm start.

Contact William Ball to find out about going with a group from the Tas Valley Churches tel 471 506 [william@tasvalley.org](mailto:william@tasvalley.org)

Our Alpha Course will then start on 6th October at 7.30pm and last for 8 Mondays. The course explores questions of life from a Christian perspective with plenty of cake and discussion (All views welcome!) Contact Sally Gaze on 470762 for more information.



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## First Thursday Meal

A New Venture: On the first Thursday of each month at 7pm there will be a 'bring and share' meal at the Rectory at Newton Flotman, for all who would like to come. This would be an opportunity to get to know others from across the 6 parishes better and to hear what is going on in . This will be followed each month by a short meeting that has a special focus for groups of people with a particular ministry in our benefice.

The first Shared Meal on 4th Sept will be followed at 8.15pm by the Cell Group Leaders meeting to pray and plan the term ahead.



## Communications Update

There is so much going on in the benefice that much had to be greatly abbreviated in the old monthly newsletter which then makes it less useful. It is therefore suggested that a shorter monthly sheet with 2 or 3 new events or issues is prepared by Sally and that each church designates a person or people to receive this and arrange for it to be printed off each month and distributed in their church/cell only. The information may be included in part of a more local pew sheet (as at Tasburgh) if desired. If you can be this person for your church please speak to a church warden to offer your help.

Information about more regular events can be found on our website [www.tasvalley.org](http://www.tasvalley.org) and the wardens will display details of other regular events on the church notice board, including the Benefice Worship Rota.