

## **CREETING ST PETER PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2015**

The PCC met six times during the year. The main items of discussion have been:

- Fabric – focusing on category A and B of the proposed building works including grants and Faculties.
- Fundraising
- Treasurers Report
- Deanery and Diocese Synod reports
- Special services including for Mothering Sunday, Easter, Harvest, Toy and Gift and Christmas
- Future of the Friends of Creeting St Peter Church
- October Giving Month including a special Thanksgiving service to thank all the people who support the church
- ‘Growing in God’
- Future service patterns
- The allocation of a new site for the interment of ashes

### **Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting**

These meetings were held in the vestry on 21 April 2015

### **Electoral Roll**

The number of people on the role is 28.

### **Election of officers**

At the Annual Vestry meeting Mrs Mathewson was re-elected as Churchwarden.

At the PCC meeting on 20 May Mrs Jenny Hitt was re-elected to serve as Treasurer during 2015/16 and Mrs Stott was re- elected as Secretary.

### **Mission Focus**

Our focus of ‘Community Outreach’ has continued through the monthly Coffee mornings and the Village Pub Nights. In addition there were two Ladies Nights at which a shared supper and games were enjoyed. These were well attended and will be continued.

Under the initiative ‘**Growing in God**’ three actions were adopted by the PCC:

To extend pastoral care to the whole village, particularly with newcomers, and families whose children do not attend Creeting St Mary CofE school

To consider how to attract and welcome visitors to the church

Start a House Group, beginning with a Lent Group

### **Plant Sale**

This was held at the church on 09 May and it was very successful.

### **Sponsored Cycle Ride**

This took place in September. Sarah cycled for our church. Thanks also to those who recorded cyclists visiting the church.

### **Special Thanks**

Those to whom special thanks are due once again include Rob Jardine for looking after the churchyard, to Bob Warnes for all the work he does and the knowledge and advice that he shares with us and to Lesley Warnes for playing the organ. We are also very grateful to Donna who very kindly gave us two demonstrations on flower arranging.

Once again, very special thanks to Violet Martin whose support and wisdom continues to be invaluable.

As always we take this opportunity to express our gratitude to those people who support the church by being part of the flower, and cleaning rotas, volunteering at our maintenance days, providing delicious refreshments at the Family Services, helping to run the coffee mornings and village pub nights and distributing the Grapevine.

Sadly the Friends of Creeting St Peter closed this year. We are extremely grateful to all its members for their many years of invaluable support.