

# BCC News!



**Richard's Ramble:** Last week I visited the Chapel at Leconfield Army Base. In the chapel, there are some stained glass windows with various images on, but on one was St. Martin of Tours. This was a saint who had passed me by up until then, but when I was told his feast day was November 11<sup>th</sup> (my birthday) it raised my interest.

It seems that St Martin came to faith at the age of 10 but was forced to enter the Roman Army. Reluctantly he was obedient but later asked to be released by the Emperor because it was contrary to his faith. He was branded a coward but was allowed to leave and train to be a minister. A story that is associated with him is that, while he was in the army, he came across a beggar. He proceeded to tear his cloak (*capella*) in half and gave half to the beggar. That night he had a vision of Jesus wearing the torn half of his cloak and reputedly awoke the next morning to find his cloak whole again.



Whatever the truth of this story, the word for cloak means 'to cover' and it is from this word that we derive the term 'chaplain' or 'chapel'. This ministry of chaplaincy, whether to the prison, the army or in sport, is given to enable us to cover the needy with the love of God. In that sense, we are all chaplains thanks to St Martin. God bless, Richard.

Charity often begins at home, but does it stop there?

Come and find out more about your local voluntary and community groups at our first...

**C**harities **A**round the **E**ast **R**iding **E**vent

There will be lots of information about what organisations can do for you and your family, how you can get involved, as well as plenty of activities, games, prizes and a Youth Fest!

So why not come down to Flemingate in Beverley on

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November between 11am - 4pm

**We look forward to seeing you there!**



Angie will have a table at the **C**harities **A**round the **E**ast **R**iding **E**vent, advertising the Restoration Centre and Beverley Street Angels.

If anyone can help with setting up the table, would they please see Angie. She would also be really pleased to see folks on the day, so if you can, do pop along to support her.



## November at a glance!

Fri	2nd	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee 20.00 Purpose Driven Pint
Sat	3rd	Street Angels
Sun	4th	10.30 BCC Service 18.30 Churches Together prayer 19.15 CREW BCC Youth
Mon	5th	10.00 Oranges and Lemons
Tues	6th	Prayer and Worship
Fri	9th	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee
Sat	10th	Street Angels
Sun	11th	10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.15 CREW BCC Youth
Mon	12th	10.00 Oranges and Lemons 20.00 Wider Leaders Meeting
Tues	13th	Home groups
Wed	14th	CMA Meeting
Thurs	15th	18.30 Home group
Fri	16th	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee 20.00 Purpose Driven Pint
Sat	17th	Street Angels
Sun	18th	10.30 BCC Service 13.30 Sunday Afternoon Walk 18.00 Intercession 19.15 CREW BCC Youth
Mon	19th	10.00 Oranges and Lemons
Tues	20th	Home groups
Thurs	22nd	18.30 Home group
Fri	23rd	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee
Sat	24th	Street Angels
Sun	25th	10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.15 CREW BCC Youth
Mon	26th	10.00 Oranges and Lemons
Tues	27th	Home groups
Thurs	29th	18.30 Home group
Fri	30th	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee 20.00 Purpose Driven Pint

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### Setting the Captives Free: Notes from a Prison Chaplain

I continue to be allowed in and back out of prison. The work continues to be challenging with some very difficult times. There are days which go very well and this gives encouragement and a sense of purpose. We frequently have to break sad news to the men, this is difficult. They are often not able to go out to attend the funeral which is also difficult for their families. CRUSE come in to provide bereavement support but they can only see a limited number of men. I have put together a 5 week Living With Loss Course which will run October to November. Please pray that this goes well and that men are helped in the healing process.

I was signing men up for a group and looked at offences and behaviour. I wanted none of them in my group. I realised I needed to start again and just look at names. Made me grateful that God sees us, not our sins.

The 10 commandments are the topic for the Friday discussion group, and we are watching the J John series which is being well received.. Five of the men attending have just signed up for Alpha course. Numbers continue to increase in the Sunday services. Apparently seven men made commitments at the first service this month and seven signed up for Alpha.

The lack of a microphone can make the worship time challenging (obviously it is fine when I talk because I'm so loud). Peter S is going to try to sort a microphone for us which will be great. **Please pray Peter's security checks are started because there are lots of delays. Please pray for safety, that the men worship without disruption, for wisdom for me on what to speak about and that the men hear God's truth and are free because of it. Please pray in particular for the November 11 Remembrance service.**

Thank you that you keep in touch with me when I'm not in church on a Sunday and for all prayers and encouragement. I very much appreciate it.

God bless. Love Angie x

**Sunday afternoon walks, the 3rd Sunday each month. We will find somewhere for refreshments after each one. Let Angie know if you are coming.**

**November - Ticton, walk along river and return for a drink at Crown & Anchor**  
**December - Burton Constable Hall (Christmassy)**  
**January - Danes Dyke (or Dane's Dyke...) to blow the cobwebs away.**  
**February- Burton Agnes snowdrop walk and cafe**  
**March - Bampton Cliffs**  
**April - Brantingham Woods**  
**May - Burnby Hall and cafe**  
**June - Pocklington canal. Altisidora pub on way home**  
**July - Burton Constable Gardens**  
**August - Millington, includes the wood. 6 miles. Ramblers rest pub**  
**September - Fraisthorpe, walk to Bridlington and get coffee, walk back and get ice cream**

**Rainy day plan: pub instead and maybe a walk on Westwood**

Want to be part of a group or volunteer for an activity? You can by speaking to one of the leaders;

by email: [info@beverleycommunitychurch.org](mailto:info@beverleycommunitychurch.org) or by visiting our website:

[beverleycommunitychurch.org](http://beverleycommunitychurch.org)

