Parish of Redgrave cum Botesdale with the Rickinghalls – 2022 RBR Parish – Red=Redgrave; B=Botesdale, R=Rickinghall

It has been wonderful to be able to worship together again post lockdown. A new pattern of services was rolled out in September 2021, this was followed over the course of the year as people eased back into day to day life. Covid has changed life for most people, and it was noticeable that some folk found emerging again challenging. The connections made through phone calls, dog walks, prescription collections, shopping etc have proved a real blessing in keeping in touch with people and fostering connections made.

During the year we have enjoyed united services with Parkview Chapel and the Botesdale Methodist Church, joined the Church of England Eco Church scheme run by A Rocha UK, continued to support the Waveney Food Bank, raised money for the Ukraine through sales of baskets and cards, been part of the Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations in June and provided a quiet space for people to reflect on her life and service to the nation when she passed away in September.

We thank the Parish Councils for their generous grants towards the upkeep of Redgrave churchyard, Rickinghall Superior and Rickinghall Inferior churchyards over the last year and for their continuing support into 2023.

If you would like someone from the church to visit you or perhaps you would like your house blessed, please get in touch with the PCC secretary, Karen Lawrence on 01379 890897. May God bless you, and may your lives in our villages be peaceful, prosperous, and a blessing to your neighbours.

Karen Lawrence, PCC Secretary