

DIARY DATES 2018

MARCH

- Mon 12th** **BPCC Pastoral Care Comm Mtg**
10am, 48 Wapp Rd, Helmdon
MONDAY NIGHTS IN LENT-BEYOND
LENT 7.30pm, The Rectory
- Wed 14th** **WEDNESDAY LUNCHESES IN LENT**
12.30-1.30pm, Wappenham V Hall
BPCC Finance Comm Mtg
7.30pm, Vine Cottage, Syresham
- Thurs 15th** **Deanery Synod Event**
7.15pm, Aynho
- Sat 17th** **Benefice Worship Committee**
(NB. new date) 10am The Rectory
LENT ON THE BIG SCREEN- 'Evan Almighty'
2.30pm St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
- Sun 18th** **Passiontide**
Matins
9.30am, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
Breakfast & Family Service
From 9.30am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Parish Communion
11.15am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham
Village Praise & Prayer
11.15am, St James the Great, Syresham
- Mon 19th** **MONDAY NIGHTS IN LENT-BEYOND**
LENT 7.30pm, The Rectory
- Wed 21st** **WEDNESDAY LUNCHESES IN LENT**
12.30-1.30pm, Whitfield V Hall
- Thurs 22nd** **LENT ON THE BIG SCREEN- 'The Gospel of Mark'**
2.30pm St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
- Fri 23rd** **Wappenham Pub Night**
Time & Venue TBA
- Sun 25th** **Palm Sunday**
Breakfast at The Rectory
8.45am, followed by.....
Processions & Passion Readings
Parts 1, 2 & 3
9.30am at St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
10.15am at St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
11.15am at St James the Great, Syresham
(inc Communion)
- Mon 26th** **Sacred Space for Holy Week - Walking the Way to the Cross**
7.30pm, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
- Tues 27th** **Sacred Space for Holy Week - Taize Service**
7.30pm, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield
- Wed 28th** **Said Prayerbook Communion**
10am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham
Sacred Space for Holy Week - A short reflective service with Police Chaplain, Revd Viv Baldwin
7.30pm, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

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PEWS NEWS

The Astwell Benefice

St Mary Magdalene Helmdon with Stuchbury and St Lawrence Radstone and St James the Great Syresham with St John the Evangelist Whitfield, St Mary & St Peter Lois Weedon with Weston and Plumpton and St Mary the Virgin Wappenham.

Sunday 4th March 2018

Third Sunday of Lent

Services in the Benefice today:

- 8am** **Prayerbook Communion**
St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
- 9.30am** **Holy Communion in Lent**
St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
- 10am** **Village Praise & Prayer led by the MU**
St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
- 11.15am** **Parish Communion in Lent**
St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham
- 3.30pm** **Messy Church (Preparing for Mothering Sunday)**
St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon & St James the Great, Syresham

Today's Bible Readings:

Exodus 20. 1-17

1 Corinthians 1. 18-25

Gospel: John 2. 13-22

Please take this home with you, as everyone is welcome at any or all of our events and services.

**Lent in the Astwell Benefice
This Week:**

Monday 5th March

Beyond Lent Bible Study

7.30pm The Rectory, Lois Weedon

Wednesday 7th March

Midweek Benefice Communion

10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

Lent Soup Lunch

12.30pm-1.30pm Lois Weedon Village Hall

Donations to Christian Aid

(So far we have raised £145 so thank you)

Lent Film - The Way

2.30pm St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

All welcome, and please feel free to bring a friend or two!

To hold in your prayers this week:

We bring before our loving heavenly Father those who are unwell, recovering from illness or who are simply having a bad time; all those who need our prayers.

Also

From Helmdon:

Joyce Beech, Olive Holton, Philip Gulliver,
Peter Payne.

From Lois Weedon:

Joan Jacobs, Lis Cockrell, Delia Jones, Judith Allen,
Jeremy "Jez" Wilcox.

From Syresham:

David Wyness, Greg Oles and family, Derek
Hollyoake, Doreen Moreland, Peter Sims,
Mary Braybrook

From Wappenham:

Sue Corbishley, Judy King

For those known to us:

Gill Goodwin, Marjorie Baxter, William Woof,
Pauline Collis, Christopher Carr, Evelyn Johnson,
Alison Wilson, Jonnie D'Arcy, Rev'd Roger Bellamy,
James Smillie, Pete O'Hara, Derek Nicholls, Colin
Goode and Roberta Estes, Peter Sheen.

*Please pray for those bereaved during the last 12
months:*

Julia and Malcolm and the friends & family of Celia Terrey,
for Robin & Jeffrey and the friends & family of Pip Dandy,
Jane, and the family and friends of George Beyts, Diane
Hunt and family & friends of Rosemary Hinton, Kathryn and
and Peter Oliver, Barbara and the family & friends of Trudi
Buxton, Jack, Trevor, David and Amanda and all the family
and friends of Ann Harman, the family of Rev'd David
Randell, Ed, Louise and the family of Barbara Rawlins,
Gerald and the family of Shirley Holt, Elsie and the family of
Mark Kilby, Gillian and the family of Alan Clube, Tony
Wilmot and family, the family of Canon Frank Pickard, Sam
and the family of Keith Hawkins, the family of Neil Carruthers, Sam
and Simon Clarke and family, Vanessa Vicars, the family of
Paul Haughton, the family of Daphne Smith, Alison Allee,
Tricia French, and Geoff and Jo Abbey.

And for the work of the Beacon Centre, The
Wolverton Mission, the Hope Centre, Katharine
House Hospice and Northampton Women's Aid. We
also continue to pray for all refugees fleeing
persecution and all victims of terror.

*We are happy to add anyone to our prayer list
providing they are happy to have us pray for them.
You may also know someone who would prefer
private prayers.*

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

MARCH

Mon 5th	Wappenham BRICC Mtg,	7.30pm, The Mill
Tues 6th	Helmdon Café	10am – 12 noon, Reading Room
	Whitfield Coffee	10am – 12 noon, Village Hall
	Chairs of BRICCs Mtg	4pm The Rectory
Wed 7th	Midweek Benefice Communion	10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
	Mums & Tots	10am-noon, Syresham Village Hall
Thur 8th	Syresham Café	10.30-12.30pm, V Hall
	Lois Weedon BRICC Mtg	10.30am, Croft Farm
	Benefice Choir Practice	6.30-7.30pm, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Fri 9th	Syresham Friends 'Quiz Evening' Fundraiser	7pm Village Hall
Sat 10th	Bell Ringers Practice	9.30 – 10.30am, Helmdon
	Bell Ringing Training	2-4pm, Helmdon

Mothering Sunday **Sunday 11th March 2018**

An 102 year old lady was asked if she had any worries: "No", she replied, "not now that I have got my son into an Old People's home!" Which is one way of saying that most Mums never really stop worrying about their children, do they?!

Whilst this instinct to create, to nurture, to offer support and encouragement is not the sole role of mothers, on Mothering Sunday it is "Mothers" across the world that we give thanks for .

The Bible tells us that Christ gave his up his life to offer us an eternal protection "like a mother hen gathering her chicks under her wing".

So, do join us as we give thanks for our Mums, our Step-Mums, Foster Mums, Grandmothers, Godmothers and all those women who showed us 'a mother's love'.

And we also thank God for giving them to us.

9am Breakfast Church for Mothering Sunday

Wappenham Village Hall

9.30am Village Praise & Prayer for Mothering Sunday

St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon

10am Mothering Sunday Service

St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

10.30am Mothering Sunday Service with Chapel

St James the Great, Syresham

10.30am Lay-led Mothering Sunday Service

Whitfield Village Hall

*Small posies or pot plants will be
given as gifts at these services.*

*Please do let us know if you would like to take one
away for someone who can't come to a service.*