

DIARY DATES 2018

AUGUST

Mon 20th Rector on week's Retreat
Wed 22nd **NO MIDWEEK BENEFICE COMMUNION**
Fri 24th **Lois BRICC Cheese & Wine Party**
Sun 26th **Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**
Holy Communion
10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Holy Communion
11.15am, St James the Great, Syresham
Village Praise & Prayer
11.15am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham
Evensong
6pm, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon

Wed 29th **NO MIDWEEK BENEFICE COMMUNION**
SEPTEMBER

Sat 1st **Wedding Blessing at Plumpton 11am**
Wappenham Fete 2pm
Whitfield Fete, 2-4.30pm, Old Rectory
Sun 2nd **Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**
Benefice Communion
10.30am, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
Mon 3rd **Helmdon Worship Comm Mtg**
10am, 48 Wapp Rd
BPCC Worship Comm Mtg
7.30pm, The Rectory
Wed 5th **Midweek Benefice Communion**
10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Thurs 6th Rector on holiday till 16th
Sat 8th **Helmdon Fundraiser – Last Night of the Proms**
Sun 9th **Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**
Breakfast Church
9am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham
Matins
9.30am, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
Parish Communion
10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Parish Communion
11.15am, St James the Great, Syresham
Messy Church
3.30pm, St James the Great, Syresham
Mon 10th **Helmdon House Group**
2.30pm, 9 Wappenham Rd
Wed 12th **Midweek Benefice Service of the Word (WS)**
10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Sat 15th **Pastoral Care Training**
10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Sun 16th **Prayerbook Communion**
8am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Breakfast, 9 – 10am followed by Prayer & Praise
10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Holy Communion
9.30am, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
Village Prayer & Praise
10.30am, St James the Great, Syresham
Parish Communion
11.15am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham

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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 12th August 2018

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity Services in the Benefice today:

9am **Breakfast Church**
St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham

9.30am **Matins**
St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon

10am **Parish Communion**
St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

11.15am **Parish Communion**
St James the Great, Syresham

Today's Bible Readings:

Psalm 130
1 Kings 19. 4-8
Ephesians 4. 25- 5.2
Gospel: John 6.35, 41-51

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

Services in the Benefice this Week:

Wednesday 15th August 2018
NO BENEFICE MIDWEEK COMMUNION

Sunday 19th August 2018

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

8am **Prayerbook Communion**
St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

9 – 10am **Breakfast, followed by.....**
10am **Prayer & Praise**
St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

9.30am **Holy Communion**
St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon

11.15am **Holy Communion & Baptism**
St James the Great, Syresham

11.15am **Parish Communion**
St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham

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 and all those who need our prayers.

Also

From Helmdon:

Joyce Beech, Philip Gulliver, Peter Payne, Jason Holt, Emma, Jon and baby Ellouise.

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.

From Wappenham:

Sue Corbishley, Judy King, Sheena Warren.

For those known to us:

Gill Goodwin, Marjorie Baxter, Pauline Collis, Christopher Carr, Evelyn Johnson, Alison Wilson, Jonnie D'Arcy, James Smillie, Roberta Estes, Peter Sheen, Dick White.

Please pray for those bereaved:

Brenda, & the family & friends of Colin Goode; Jean Bearman; the family, friends and parishioners of the Rev'd Roger Bellamy; Ruth & the family and friends of Rex Jessett; Sue James, Colin & family; Jill Pinder and family; Julia and Malcolm and the friends & family of Celia Terrey; 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 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 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 & family; Tricia French; 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.*

Please pray for:

Michael Birchall & Helen Tims

who are getting married at Sulgrave on
Saturday 8th September 2018
(with banns at St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon)

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

AUGUST

Mon 13th	BPCC Pastoral Care Comm Mtg	10am, 48 Wapp Rd, Helmdon
	Beyond Lent	7.30pm, The Rectory
Tues 14th	Helmdon Café	10am – 12 noon, Reading Room
	Hope Centre Food Delivery	1pm
	Baptism of Georgina Byles	7pm, St James the Great, Syresham
Wed 15th	NO MIDWEEK BENEFICE COMMUNION	
	Churchwardens to meet Archdeacon	3-5pm, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
Thur 16th	Syresham Café	10.30-12.30pm, V Hall
	NB: No Benefice Choir Practices until 30th August	
Sat 18th	Bellringing Practice	9.30 – 10.30am, Helmdon

Thoughts from the Astwell Benefice

Bill and Judith Elkington of Helmdon are helping their family cope with a devastating diagnosis for their young granddaughter Ellouise. Their daughter, Emma, has written this about what they are all going through:

"Our world has been turned upside down in the last 2 months as our youngest child Ellouise has been diagnosed with an extremely rare chromosome condition. So rare that there are only 9 registered cases in the world. Ellouise has the rare chromosome condition (3p26.3-25.3 deletion). A condition with known complications including heart defects, kidney and bowel issues, speech problems, sight and hearing issues, feeding problems, cognitive and development and degeneration issues to name just a few.

Our only source of information and support has been the charity "Unique" who have shared medical research and put us in touch with the 8 families. Their support has been invaluable enabling us to reach out to others as we try to process this news and understand our millions of questions, hopes and fears, and arm us with the critical information needed to push to get the relevant support and screening in place. We do not know what the future holds for Ellouise but with "Unique's" help we know we will fight for the support needed to enable Ellouise to thrive in her own unique way.

Alison, our cycling-mad aunt, is performing a wonderful act of love and kindness to help raise invaluable funds for "Unique". To enable them to continue to support families and children like Ellouise face the uncertainties, lack of understanding and knowledge, and celebrate their achievements; as each and every chromosome child is amazingly Unique."

Video link: <https://youtu.be/79gCNA9Wfgk>

Charity link:
<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=AlisonJane2&pageUrl=1>