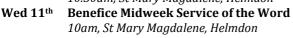
### **DIARY DATES 2018**

MARCH

HOLY WEEK & EASTER		
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sacred Space for Holy Week – Walking the Way to the Cross	
	7.30pm, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon	
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup>	Sacred Space for Holy Week -	
	Taize Service	
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield	
weu 28th	Syresham School Easter Service 9am, St James the Great, Syresham	
	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	
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup>	Maundy Thursday	
	Stripping of the Altars & Prayer Vigil	
	8 am, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield	
	2.30pm, following on from the school	
	service. St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon 9.30pm, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	
	10pm, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham	
	Helmdon School Easter Service	
	9.30am St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	
	St Loys School Easter Service	
	2pm, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon	
	Benefice Seder Passover Meal,	
	6.30pm St James the Great, Syresham	
	Followed by Communion at table &	
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>	Stripping of the Altar Good Friday	
	Stations of the Cross	
	8 am, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield	
	9am, St Lawrence, Radstone	
	10.30am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	
	Noon, St James the Great, Syresham	
	2pm, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham	
	3pm, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon	
APRIL		
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Sunday	
	Greeting the Dawn – The Easter Fire	
	5.45am, St Lawrence, Radstone	
	Prayerbook Communion for Easter Day	
	8am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	
	Easter Light & Communion	
	9.30am, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon	
	(by extension)	
	10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon 11am, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield	
	11.15am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham	
	(by extension)	
	11.15am, St James the Great, Syresham	
	Evensong	
	6pm, St John The Baptist, Plumpton	
(Rector away until 18th April)		
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Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	Benefice Midweek Service of the Word	
Eni 6th	10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Astwell Messy Church Club 11am-3pm Helmdon Reading Room	
Sun 8th	Low Sunday	
Juil	Breakfast Church	
	9am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham	
	Benefice Low Sunday Service	
	10.30am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	





### **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 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018 Passiontide

### Services in the Benefice today:

# 9.30amMatins<br/>St Mary & St Peter, Lois WeedonFrom 9.30amBreakfast & Parish Communion in<br/>Lent<br/>St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon11.15amParish Communion<br/>St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham11.15amVillage Praise & Prayer (History of<br/>Favourite Hymns)<br/>St James the Great, Syresham

### Today's Bible Readings: Jeremiah 31. 31-34 Hebrews 5.5-10 *Gospel: John 12. 20-33*

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

## Services in the Benefice This coming Week:

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018 Midweek Benefice Communion 10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

> Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018 Palm Sunday

8.45am	Breakfast at The Rectory
	followed by
	<b>Processions &amp; Passion Readings</b>
	Parts 1, 2 & 3
9.30am	St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon
10.15am	St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
11.15am	St James the Great, Syresham
	(includes Communion)

### 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.

*Please pray for Jill Pinder and all the other family and friends of her father, Graham Newell, who died recently.* 

### 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, 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:

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 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 Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Helmdon Café 10am – 12 noon, Reading Room Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy 10.30am. Lois Weedon Farm Helmdon Lunch 1pm, Reading Room Wed 21st Midweek Benefice Communion 10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon 10am-noon, Syresham Village Hall Mums & Tots Secret Keepers 7-8pm, Syresham Chapel School Room Thur 22<sup>nd</sup> Svresham Café 10.30-12.30pm, V Hall Benefice Choir Practice 6.30-7.30pm. St Marv Magdalene, Helmdon Fri 23rd Wappenham Pub Night 5.30-11pm, Village Hall Sat 24th Bell Ringers Practice 9.30 - 10.30am, Helmdon

### Lent in the Astwell Benefice This Week:

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March Beyond Lent Bible Study 7.30pm, The Rectory, Lois Weedon

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March Midweek Benefice Communion 10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon

&

Lent Soup Lunch 12.30pm-1.30pm, Whitfield Village Hall (Donations to Christian Aid)

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March Lent Film – 'The Gospel of St Mark' 2.30pm, 9 Wappenham Road, Helmdon NN13 5QA

### Don't forget our new pattern for Sunday services across the Benefice starts in May!

Our Benefice Worship Committee has been listening to our congregations and has come up with a new pattern of services across the Benefice, which will appeal to everyone.

The new pattern provides regular sustained Parish worship that appeals to our communities and allows us to join together once a month for a Benefice Eucharist at the slightly earlier time of 10.30am, something many people have requested.

Visit our website Calendar to check how the services at your church are changing from May 1<sup>st</sup>!

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