

## DIARY DATES 2018

### APRIL

*(Rector away until 21<sup>st</sup> April – note change of date)*

- Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Benefice Midweek Communion**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**Benefice Fifth Sunday Service in Eastertide**  
*11am, St James the Great, Syresham*
- Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Beyond Lent**  
*7.30pm, The Rectory*

### MAY (NEW SERVICE PATTERN STARTS)

- Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Benefice Healing Service**  
*7.30pm, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Benefice Midweek Communion**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Rogation Sunday**  
**Benefice Said Communion**  
*9am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*  
**Benefice Rogation Sunday Service**  
*11am, Coldharbour Farm, Radstone*
- Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Benefice Midweek Communion**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Wedding Rehearsal**  
*7pm, St James the Great, Syresham*
- Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Wedding of Tom Creed & Jodie Rogers**  
*1pm, St James the Great, Syresham*
- Sun 13<sup>th</sup> 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*  
**Patronal Songs of Praise**  
*6pm, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield*

*(Rector away until 30<sup>th</sup> May)*

- Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Syresham BRICC Meeting**  
*7.30pm, The Priory*
- Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Benefice Midweek Service of the Word**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*  
**Deanery Synod**  
*7.30pm, Chipping Warden*
- Sat 19<sup>th</sup> 'Watch the Royal Wedding' Fundraiser**  
*11am, Lois Weedon V Hall*

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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 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018

### Third Sunday of Easter

### Services in the Benefice today:

- 9.30am Matins**  
*St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon*
- 10am Breakfast, followed by Praise & Prayer led by the MU**  
*St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- 11.15am Parish Communion in Eastertide (by ext)**  
*St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham*
- 11.15am Village Praise & Prayer**  
*St James the Great, Syresham*

### Today's Bible Readings:

Acts 3.12-19

Psalm 4

Gospel: Luke 24. 36b-48

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 18<sup>th</sup> April 2018

### Benefice Midweek Service

**CANCELLED**

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 10am Holy Communion in Eastertide**  
*St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- 11.15am Family Service and Baptism**  
*St James the Great, Syresham*
- 11.15am Village Praise & Prayer**  
*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, Olive Holton, Philip Gulliver,  
Peter Payne and Barbara Whitlock.

*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, Rev'd Roger Bellamy, James Smillie, Pete O'Hara, Derek Nicholls, Colin Goode and Roberta Estes, Peter Sheen.

*Please pray for those bereaved:*

Jill Pinder and family and friends of Graham Newell, 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.*

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

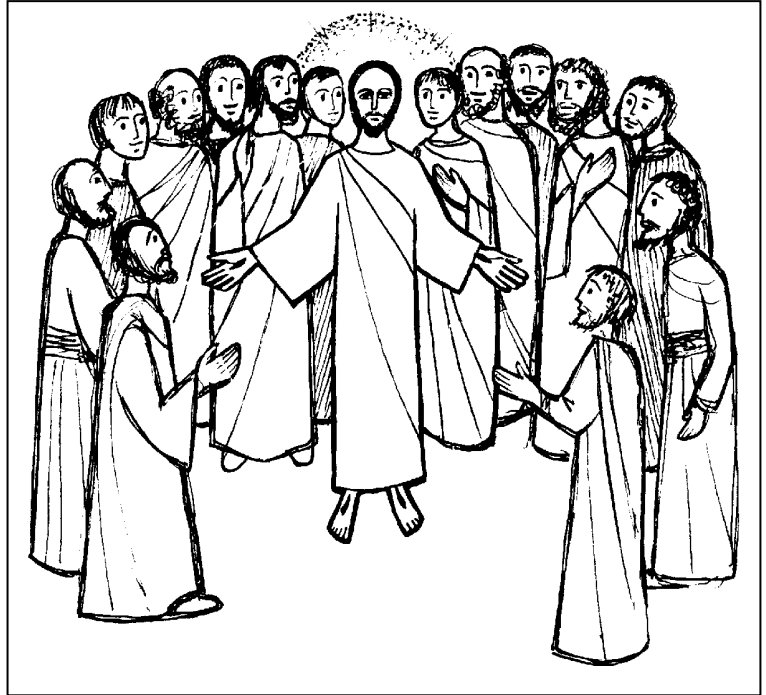
Our Benefice Worship Committee has been listening to our congregations and has come up with a new pattern of services across the Benefice, which we hope will appeal to everyone.

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>!

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

APRIL

- Mon 16<sup>th</sup>** *Schools go back*  
Helmdon Worship Comm Mtg 11am, 48 Wapp Rd
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup>** Helmdon Café 10am - 12 noon, Reading Room  
Helmdon Lunch 12.30pm, Reading Room
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** *Benefice Midweek Service CANCELLED*  
Helmdon BRICC Mtg 3pm, 9 Wappenham Rd
- Thur 19<sup>th</sup>** Syresham Café 10.30-12.30pm, V Hall  
Benefice Choir Practice 6.30-7.30pm, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup>** Helmdon St George's Day Supper 7.30pm, R/Room
- Sat 21<sup>st</sup>** Bell Ringers Practice 9.30 - 10.30am, Helmdon  
*Benefice APCM 6pm, St Loys Primary School,*  
*Lois Weedon*



### **Important Notice:**

There will be an Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting of the Astwell Benefice, and Vestry Meetings of St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon with Stuchbury & St Lawrence, Radstone, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon and Weston, St James the Great, Syresham, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield and St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham  
**at 6pm**

**on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2018**  
**at St Loys C of E Primary Academy,**  
**Weedon Lois NN12 8PP**

**Copies of the 2017 APCM Report are now available in all our churches and on the Benefice website,**  
**[www.astwellparishes.org.uk](http://www.astwellparishes.org.uk)**

Please pray for:

**Thomas Creed and Jodie Rogers**

who are getting married on  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2018  
at St James the Great, Syresham