

## DIARY DATES 2019

### MAY

- Mon 20<sup>th</sup>** **Helmdon Worship Comm Mtg**  
*10am, 48 Wappenham Rd, Helmdon*
- Wed 22<sup>nd</sup>** **Benefice Midweek Service (WS)**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup>** **Schools Break up for Half Term**
- Sat 25<sup>th</sup>** **Wedding of Hannah Seckington & Callum Jones (Revd Will Adams)**  
*1pm, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon*
- Sun 26<sup>th</sup>** **Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**Holy Communion (Revd P Challen)**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*  
**All Age Service**  
*11.15am, St James the Great, Syresham*  
**Prayer & Praise**  
*11.15am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham*  
**Evensong**  
*6pm, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon*
- Mon 27<sup>th</sup>** **BANK HOLIDAY**
- Tues 28<sup>th</sup>** **Benefice Pastoral Care Comm Mtg**  
*2.30pm, 48 Wappenham Rd, Helmdon*  
**Lois Weedon BRICC Meeting**  
*2.30pm, Castle Mound*
- Wed 29<sup>th</sup>** **Benefice Midweek Communion Service (PC)**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*

### JUNE

- Sat 1<sup>st</sup>** **Wedding of Debbie Clarke & Peter Wilkes (Revd Will Adams)**  
*1.30pm, St John the Evangelist, Whitfield*
- Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>** **Rogation Sunday**  
**Said Communion (Revd J Roberts)**  
*8am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*  
**Benefice Rogation Service (Revd P Challen) & speaker from Farming Community Network**  
*11am, Kiln Farm, Pimlico*
- Tues 4<sup>th</sup>** **Schools go back**
- Wed 5<sup>th</sup>** **Benefice Midweek Service (WS)**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*  
**Benefice Bingo Night**  
*7.30 for 8pm, Helmdon Reading Room*  
**Whitfield BRICC Mtg**  
*7.30pm, V Hall*
- Fri 7<sup>th</sup>** **Friends of St James, Syresham Concert**  
*7.30pm, St James the Great, Syresham*
- Sat 8<sup>th</sup>** **Syresham Church Fete**  
*2-4pm, The Priory*
- Sun 9<sup>th</sup>** **Pentecost**  
**Breakfast Church**  
*9am, St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham*  
**Matins**  
*9.30am, St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon*  
**Parish Communion (Revd P Challen)**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*  
**Parish Communion (Revd P Challen)**  
*11.15am, St James the Great, Syresham*  
**Messy Church**  
*3.30pm, St James the Great, Syresham*
- Mon 10<sup>th</sup>** **BPCC Finance Comm Mtg**  
*6.30pm, Vine Cottage, Syresham*
- Wed 12<sup>th</sup>** **Benefice Midweek Service (PC)**  
*10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- Sat 15<sup>th</sup>** **Wedding of Natasha Mason & James Evans**  
*2pm, 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.

### Services in the Benefice today:

#### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019 Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 9am** **Breakfast Church**  
*St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham*
- 9.30am** **Matins**  
*St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon*
- 10am** **Parish Communion (Revd Paula Challen)**  
*St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- 11.15am** **Parish Communion (Revd Paula Challen)**  
*St James the Great, Syresham*
- 3.30pm** **Messy Church**  
*St James the Great, Syresham*

#### Today's Readings

Acts 9. 36-end  
Revelation 7. 9-end  
Gospel: John 10. 22-30

### SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE NEXT WEEK

#### Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 Benefice Midweek Service of the Word (WS) *10am, St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019 Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 8am** **Prayerbook Communion (Revd J Roberts)**  
*St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- 9-10am** **Breakfast, followed by...**
- 10am** **Prayer & Praise**  
*St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*
- 9.30am** **Holy Communion (Revd Paula Challen)**  
*St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon*
- 10.30am** **Village Prayer & Praise**  
*St James the Great, Syresham*
- 11.15am** **Parish Communion (Revd Paula Challen)**  
*St Mary the Virgin, Wappenham*
- 1pm** **Baptism (Revd Paula Challen)**  
*St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon*

## 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:

### *From Helmdon:*

Joyce Beech, Philip Gulliver, Emma, Jon & Ellouise, Claire & Freya, Barbara Buxton, Joyce Wiggins, Diane Thorpe & Vanessa Vicars.

### *From Lois Weedon:*

Joan Jacobs, Lis Cockrell, Delia Jones, Judith Allen, Jeremy "Jez" Wilcox, Ernie Wheeler, Elsie Hatton & David Jones.

### *From Syresham:*

Greg Oles and family, Derek Hollyoake, Peter Sims & Ann Widdowson.

### *From Wappenham:*

Judy King and Claire Kennett

### *For those known to us:*

Gill Goodwin, Marjorie Baxter, Pauline Collis, Christopher Carr, Evelyn Johnson, Jonnie D'Arcy, James Smillie, Peter Sheen, Dick White, June Brereton & Roger Cane.

*Please pray for those bereaved, and the family & friends of:* Peter Payne, Ivan Hathaway, Robin Oliver, Doreen Moreland, Sue Corbishley, Jason Holt & Shirley Holt, Dennis Hackett, Dick Wilson, David Wyness, Jean Bearman. Rev'd Roger Bellamy, Rex Jessett, Celia Terrey, Pip Dandy, George Beyts, Ann Harman, Rev'd David Randell, Mark Kilby, Alan Clube, Keith Hawkins and Neil Carruthers. And also for Susan Clarke & family, Kathryn and Peter Oliver, & 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:**

**Hannah Seckington & Callum Jones**  
who will be married on  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
at St Mary & St Peter, Lois Weedon

and

**Debbie Clarke & Peter Wilkes**  
who will be married on  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019  
at St John the Evangelist, Whitfield

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

### MAY

<b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Benefice Worship Comm Mtg	7.30pm
	48 Wappenham Rd, Helmdon	
	Syresham BRICC Meeting	7.30pm, The Priory
<b>Tues 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Helmdon Café	10am -12 noon, Reading Rm
	Hope Centre Food Delivery	1pm
<b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Benefice Midweek Service (WS)	10am
	St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	
	Mums & Tots	10am-noon, Syresham V Hall
	Secret Keepers	7-8pm, Syresham Chapel School Room
<b>Thur 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Helmdon Parents & Tots	10am-noon
	St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon	
	Christian Aid Coffee Morning	10.30am-12 noon
		Syresham V Hall
	Benefice Choir Practice	6.30-7.30pm
		St Mary Magdalene, Helmdon
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Friends of St James, Syresham Quiz	7.30pm
		Syresham V Hall
<b>Sat 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Bell ringing Practice	9.30 - 10.30am, Helmdon



*John 10 v. 27 'My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me'.*

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