

| April 2023 | Sunday 2nd Palm Sunday | Sunday 9th EASTER DAY | Sunday 16th Easter 2 | Sunday 23rd Easter 3 | Sunday 30th Easter 4 |
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| Athelington | 9.30am EG CW Holy Communion | 6pm EG Easter Songs of Praise | | | |
| Denham | | | 11am EG CW Holy Communion + APCM | | |
| Horham | | 11.15am JM BCP Holy Communion | 11.15am JM BCP Holy Communion | | |
| Hoxne | 9.30am JM BCP Holy Communion | 9.30am JM CW Holy Communion | 9.30am JM CW Holy Communion | 11am JM CW Holy Communion | 4pm EG All-age service |
| Redlingfield | | 9.30am RC CW Holy Communion | | | |
| Syleham | 4pm Messy Church Syleham village hall ML + team | 10am ML Easter Praise 4pm Easter egg hunt | 10am ML Village Service | 9.30am EG BCP Holy Communion + APCM | |
| Wingfield | 11am JM CW Holy Communion | 11am EG CW Holy Communion | 6pm EG Evensong | | 11am EG Benefice Holy Comm |

Easter Eve - Service of Light, at Denham church, 7.30pm
Easter Day - Messy Church Easter egg hunt at J's meadow, 4pm
See inside for midweek services.



Online Services

Every Saturday and Sunday: Morning Prayer on facebook.com/WingfieldChurch, 8am
 Every Friday in Lent: Compline in Wingfield church and on Zoom.

On the rotas....

EG - Revd Eleanor Goodison JM - Revd John McCracken

ML - Mary Lewis RC - Revd Richard Court

Church contacts

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| Athelington: St Peter. | Colin Palmer 01728 628747 |
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| Hoxne: St Peter & St Paul. | Guy McGregor 01379 668434, Wilf White 01379 668046 |
| Horham: St Mary. | David Spall 01379 384239, Daphne Harvey 01379 384216 |
| Redlingfield: St Andrew. | Hazel Abbott 01379 678217 |
| Syleham: St Margaret. | Mary Lewis 01379 669258, Sarah Buckley 01379 668480 |
| Wingfield: St Andrew. | Revd Eleanor Goodison 07876 143579 |

Hoxne Benefice Churches

Athelington Denham Horham

Hoxne Redlingfield

Syleham Wingfield

April 2023 News



Love's redeeming work is done

The Church's year reaches its high point this month with the great festival of Easter, the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, offering us all the hope of eternal life. We have been preparing through Lent and those preparations intensify in Holy Week, which starts with Palm Sunday on 2nd April. Full details of our Holy Week services and activities are in this newsletter. On Easter Day itself we have a service in each of our churches (counting the Service of Light on Easter Eve), as well as the Messy Church Easter Egg Hunt in the afternoon. Do come along and join in the rejoicing.

Then as the King and Queen Consort prepare to solemnise the promises and commitments they make at the coronation to the nations and people they represent, the Church will begin 28 days of prayer and spiritual preparation alongside the King – praying with and for the King from Easter Sunday to the Coronation (Sunday 9th April – Saturday 6th May). A booklet of daily prayers can be ordered from the Church of England website: churchofengland.org. More details of our coronation celebrations will be in the May newsletter.

In our benefice we will be holding our church annual meetings during April, reporting on 2022 and setting out our plan for growth in the future. Come and hear what is going on and let us know what you would like to see your church doing in 2023 and how you would like to be involved. Everyone is welcome and all adult village residents have a vote for new churchwardens.

I wish you a very happy and blessed Easter!

Revd Eleanor Goodison

Revd Eleanor and Revd John will be taking time off from Monday 10th to Friday 14th April.

Revd Eleanor usually works Friday to Monday and is available for urgent matters on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday is her day off. Messages received Thursday will normally be dealt with Friday.

If you need help or just want to chat, please contact us:

Revd Eleanor: 07876 143579 eleanor.goodison@gmail.com

Revd John: 07876 507288 vj.mccracken@gmail.com

Revd Richard: rev.richard.court@icloud.com

Holy Week and Easter

Monday 3rd April, 6pm, Compline, St Edmund Chapel, Hoxne (EG)

Tuesday 4th, 6pm, Compline, St Edmund Chapel, Hoxne (JM)

Wednesday 5th, 6pm, Compline, St Edmund Chapel, Hoxne (EG)

Thursday 6th, Maundy Thursday, 7.30pm Stripping of the Altar, Horham (RC)

Friday 7th, Good Friday services, Wingfield, 12 noon (JM)
Hoxne, 2.30pm (EG)

Saturday 8th, Easter Eve, 7.30pm, Service of Light, Denham (JM)

Sunday 9th, Easter Day
Full programme of services; see service rota for April on back of newsletter.

Annual Meetings

Our church Annual Meetings take place as follows:

Athelington: 7pm, Monday 24th April

Denham: 12 noon, Sunday 16th April

Horham: 7pm, Tuesday 25th April (subject to confirmation)

Hoxne: 6pm, Saturday 22nd April

Redlingfield: 7.30pm, Tuesday 2nd May

Syleham: 10.30am, Sunday 23rd April

Wingfield: 2pm, Saturday 22nd April

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## APRIL EVENTS

### Monday 3rd and Tuesday 25th

We will be singing hymns / saying prayers at The Depperhaugh Nursing Home, 2.30pm. More participants welcome!

### Tuesday 4th

**Coffee and cake:** drop-in café at the village hall in Syleham, 10 to 11.30am. Come with a friend or on your own for a friendly chat or to browse or borrow books.

**Tuesday 4th Little Lambs** meet at Hoxne pavilion from 1.15 to 3.15 pm. Children from 0-4 years and their carers very welcome.

### Tuesday 4th

**Club Create** will be coming together for a Nature Walk, 2 to 4pm at Brakey Wood, Hoxne. There will be plenty to observe, collect and draw. For children aged 7-12. For more info or to book a place, contact Revd Eleanor.



### Wednesday 5th

**The Rural Coffee Caravan** is back in Redlingfield. 10am to 12 noon on the village triangle, with delicious bakes!

### Saturday 15th

**An evening with Ade Sellars** (as seen on QVC, Gardeners' World Live, RHS and County Shows.) *Living the Good Life - Is it all it's cracked up to be?* Ade's journey from the city to professional gardener, 7.30pm at Hoxne Village Hall, in aid of Denham church. Light refreshments available and licensed bar. Contact Barbara Irwin, 01379 669077.

### Saturday 15th

**Friends of Hoxne church coffee morning** and book sale. 9.45 to 11.15am in church. All welcome.

### Monday 17th

**No Hoxne Mothers' Union** meeting because of MU AGM, 2pm at St Michael's Martlesham Heath.

### Tuesday 18th

**Rural Coffee Caravan** at Castle Crescent, Wingfield, 10am to 12 noon. All welcome.

### Tuesday 18th

**Bible Study group** meets at 7.30pm on Zoom, returning to our theme 'Encounters with God'.

### Wednesday 19th

**The Book Club** meets at 6pm at the De La Pole Arms, Wingfield. Our book will be *Ammonites and Leaping Fish* (alternative title *Dancing Fish and Ammonites*) by Penelope Lively. New readers are always welcome to join in.

### Sunday 23rd

**Farewell service** for Archdeacon Jeanette Gosney, 3pm at Framlingham church.

### Looking ahead

#### Saturday 20th May

**Charity Quin concert** in Wingfield church. Further details to come.

#### Sunday 28th May

**Pentecost barbecue** at The Swan Inn, Hoxne, 3pm. £10 a head, drinks from the bar. Come and enjoy a purely social get-together. Book your place with Revd Eleanor or Revd John.

### Saturday 3rd/Sunday 4th June

#### Wingfield Open Gardens

Approx 15 gardens, plant stall, refreshments, light lunches. Advance tickets [www.wingfieldbarns.com](http://www.wingfieldbarns.com) £4 per person or £5 on the day from Wingfield Barns IP21 5RA. Tickets/guides cover both days. Under 16s free if accompanied by an adult. Free car park and toilets, (inc. disabled) at Wingfield Barns. Proceeds in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice (Registered Charity 289154) and St Andrew's Church.

### Saturday 10th June

**Hoxne Summer Fair**, 2 to 5pm, Abbey Farm

### Saturday 1st July

**Redlingfield Summer Fair and Dog Show**

### [Easyfundraising.org.uk](http://Easyfundraising.org.uk)

It really is easy for anyone who shops online...**giving the benefice a percentage of everything you spend. So far, we have raised over £960 for the benefice this way – so it is well worth it!** [easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hoxnebenefice](http://easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hoxnebenefice).

### Samaritans - It's alright to ask for help

Tel: 116123

### Refuge, against domestic violence

Tel: 0808 2000 247

### ChildLine

Tel: 0800 1111

### Waveney Foodbank

Tel: 07484 394749