July 2018	1 July Trinity 5	8 July Trinity 6	15 July Trinity 7	22 July Trinity 8	29 July Trinity 9
Athel'ton	11.15am Petertide Praise*		9.30am Holy Communion*		Benefice Holy
Denham				11.15am Family Service*	Communion Service at
Horham		9.30am BCP Communion*		11.15am Family Service	Redlingfield 11.15am ~
Hoxne	11.15am Holy Communion+	11.15am BCP Matins	8.30am BCP Communion+		
Redl'field	9.30am Holy Communion+			10am Morning Prayer	
Syleham	4pm Messy Church~		10am Village Praise	9.30am BCP Holy Communion	
Wingfield	10am Morning Prayer	11.15am Holy Communion*		6.30pm Evensong+	

Midweek Communion, Tuesday 10 July at St John's Denham, 7.30pm.#

\*with Rev Michael +with Rev Eleanor #with Rev Canon Andrew Vessey ~ with Rev Michael and Rev Eleanor

# **Hoxne Benefice Newsletter**

Athelington \* Denham \* Horham \* Hoxne \* Redlingfield \* Syleham \* Wingfield

### July 2018

How do you remember? I ask because late June was a 'memorable' weekend. Redlingfield had a lovely festival of 'I remember when' at which people produced creative displays of something they remembered, such as cooking with their mum, or hiding in the vegetable plot. Straight from that I was across to Wingfield to officiate at a wedding; obviously there was a photographer on hand to capture lots of memories of the happy day to give warm memories later in life.

The weekend ended with a service to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the 95th Bomber Group at Horham. A time of poignant memories.

And there were two communion services with their key phrase of 'do this in memory of me'. When you stop and think about it, and in truth we should do that as matter of course every time, it's a very odd thing to say! After all, the passage starts, 'On the night that he was betrayed...' Betrayal is a harsh and bitter experience to go through and yet the communion service places great emphasis on it. This is strange when set against how often the gospels talk about 'the disciples remembered this after Jesus was raised from the dead'.

I'm not convinced that we have a great deal of control about what we remember; it seems that the memories we try to ignore eventually find their way out in our dreams. What we have a lot more choice over is how we remember; the betrayal of that first Maundy Thursday is transformed into the basis of the joy of the Eucharist. Every time we remember, we have a choice about how we remember- with gladness or with bitterness. **Rev Michael** 

Rev Michael's rest days and days away from the benefice in July: Mon 2 - Thurs 5, Thurs 12, 19, 26 July. St Andrew's House, Vicarage Road, Wingfield, Diss, IP21 5RB. 01379 388889, hoxnebenefice@gmail.com

#### Churchwardens

Athelington: St Peter. Contact Rev Michael Denham: St John the Baptist. Contact Rev Michael 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 Wingfield: St Andrew. John McCracken 01379 384181

#### Prayer breakfasts

Monday mornings - breakfast and prayers. We meet at 7.45am for breakfast; prayers start at 8.30am, using a Celtic pattern. We are always finished by 9am. Contact Rev Michael for the venue, as it changes.

#### Our monthly benefice evensong

continues on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month at St Andrew's Wingfield, 6.30pm. This month, Rev Eleanor Goodison will be speaking on Mary Magdalene.

#### New family service

Rev Eleanor and I will be thinking and praying about this over the next few weeks. So.... if you've got any thoughts, ideas, dreams or visions about the services we offer, please let us know. Don't worry about them being too farfetched or outrageous- it will help us to think widely and creatively! I'd like to launch the new service in October, but try to keep within the service pattern the ability for us all to move around the benefice that is a rich part of our life together already. Rev Michael

## Let's raise funds for Churches of the Hoxne Benefice with easyfundraising!

Visit easyfundraising.org.uk and a percentage of what you spend is passed to Churches of the Hoxne Benefice. There are over 2,700 online retailers available and all will give a small percentage of what's been spent back to Hoxne benefice to say thank you for shopping with them. Please register to support us http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ hoxnebenefice. If you want to talk through the signing up process, email Virginia on hoxnebeneficeoffice@gmail.com to arrange. **£201 raised to date! Thank you.** 

There are paper copies of this newsletter in each church. Please email hoxnebeneficeoffice@gmail.com to be added to the email list.

#### Messy Church for the benefice

Sunday 1 July at Syleham village hall, 4pm. Come and join our growing group for lots of fun and the usual scrummy tea.

**Hoxne's small 'Open the Book' team** visits St Edmunds primary school to retell bible stories to the children about 4 times termly. We need new team members. If anyone is interested please contact Cathie McGregor 01379 668434.

#### **Ride+Stride**, The Historic Churches Trust **Sponsored bike ride** - this year on Saturday 8 September. All churches in the benefice are participating and need your help. For some churches, the bike ride raises a substantial proportion of the monies raised for the church. Make this a great day out with family or friends! If you are not able to cycle or walk, then could you be one of the recorders, welcoming the riders and walkers and filling in a couple of bits of paper. Most churches have a rota, so please speak to your local organiser. They will also be able to put you in touch with someone who is riding/walking and would welcome your sponsorship. Local Ride+Stride organisers:

Evelyn Adey	Athelington	01728 628428	evelyn.adey @btinternet. com	
Sue Roberts	Denham	07713 157351	scr@netcom. co.uk	
Daphne Harvey	Horham	01379 384216	none	
Anne Swann & Rhona Bertie	Hoxne	01379 669322 01379 871850	anneswann3 @hotmail. com rhonabertie @gmail.com	
Joan Abbott	Redlingfield	01379 678736	none	
Mary Lewis	Syleham	01379 669258	mary.lewis43 @icloud.com	
John McCracken	Wingfield	01379 384181	vj.mccracken @gmail.com	

#### Coffee and internet café in the Old

School Hall in Horham every Wednesday morning, 10.30am to 12 noon for delicious coffee and cake, good company and computer support.

**Coffee caravan Redlingfield** - on Wednesday 4 July from 10am until 12 noon. The caravan is a great source of local information as well as a chance for a chat over a drink and delicious cake with great company. Just come along and see for yourself...

**also at Wingfield's** Castle Green on Tuesday 17 July, also 10am to 12 noon.

#### **Bottle Banks**

As you make a deposit in a bottle bank, do you ever wonder if all branches are the same? Do they all pay the same interest? Well, the profits from the bottle bank in the car park of the De La Pole Arms in Wingfield go to Wingfield church, and the profits for the one at Athelington Hall near Peter Havers' lodges goes to Athelington church. Just like money banks, bottle banks aren't all the same, so please think about supporting one that supports us. Many thanks, Rev Michael

#### Home Communion

Rev Eleanor and I have decided to offer home communion on a more regular and frequent basis across the benefice. We intend to offer it two Saturday mornings per month. If you know anyone who would like to receive home communion - please let us know and we will arrange a visit. Rev Michael

**Wednesday 1 August** Lammas Service, a deanery service and celebration of the first loaf of the first grain of the harvest, 6pm, Hoxne church. Proceeds to The Addington Fund, helping farming families in distress. All welcome.

#### Hoxne benefice Mothers' Union

16 July, 2.30pm joint 'Wave of Prayer' with Fressingfield MU at Fressingfield church followed by tea and 'Bring and Buy'. Our second I-Chameleon pop up shop 26 July to 1 August, 10-4pm, on The Thoroughfare, Halesworth. We sell anything except clothes; donations welcome. Cathie McGregor 01379 668434



**Saturday 30 June** Wingfield village fête, 11-3pm Wingfield Barns. Craft stalls, games, musical entertainment, bar and bbq! Proceeds going to Wingfield Church/EACH.

Also **Saturday 30 June**, Denham church fête, 2pm, plants, books cakes and more. Come along for a chat.

SUNDAY 1 July (incorrectly billed last month – sorry!) You are invited for Pimms, Lunch and Tea on the Lawn from noon to 5pm at The Old Rectory, Athelington, on the occasion of St Peter's Patronal Festival. Petertide Praise in church at 11.15am, then afterwards come and enjoy the garden and works in progress. Fundraising for the church re-wiring project. Nick Cook, 01728 628661.

#### Sunday 8 July

Syleham sponsored swim to help fund internal re-decoration of Syleham church. Contact Mary Lewis on 669258.

**Sunday 12 August** 2pm, Kubb Tournament, bowling meets horseshoe throwing in Viking chess, a Swedish lawn game. At 12 Hoxne Road, Denham IP21 5DN. Please park at the village hall. £5 per adult including Pimms and a scone. Children under 12 free. Proceeds to Denham church.