

May 2024	Sunday 5th Easter 6	Sunday 12th Easter 7	Sunday 19th Pentecost	Sunday 26th Trinity
Athelington	9.30am JM CW Holy Communion			
Denham			11am BI Service of the Word	
Horham			11.15am JM BCP Holy Communion	
Hoxne	9.30am EG BCP Holy Communion	9.30am EG for 10am Café Church	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 ML+team Messy Church Syleham/Wingfield Village Hall		10am EG Village Service	9.30am JM BCP Holy Communion
Wingfield	11am EG CW Holy Communion		6pm EG BCP Evensong	

### Ascension Day service, deanery service, 7pm at Palgrave

On the rotas.... EG - Revd Eleanor Goodison JM - Revd John McCracken  
RC - Revd Richard Court ML - Mary Lewis BI - Barbara Irwin

### Online Every Saturday and Sunday:

Morning Prayer on facebook.com/WingfieldChurch, 8am

Online Every Friday: Compline on Zoom at 6pm.

For an invitation to Zoom services, please email [eleanor.goodison@gmail.com](mailto:eleanor.goodison@gmail.com)

Some church services also live streamed/uploaded to facebook.com/WingfieldChurch.

### Church contacts

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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	John McCracken 07876 507288



# Hoxne Benefice Churches

Athelington Denham Horham

Hoxne Redlingfield

Syleham Wingfield

May 2024



### Thy kingdom come

May is here and we all hope the weather might improve! This month we celebrate the Ascension, when Jesus returned to his father in heaven after the forty day period following the Resurrection during which he appeared to his disciples. Ascension Day is Thursday 9th May this year and we will have a deanery service of celebration at 7pm at Palgrave church. Then ten days later on Sunday 19th, we celebrate Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit. Our services for Pentecost will follow our usual pattern (see *back page*).

When Jesus spoke to his disciples before ascending to heaven he promised them 'you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses'. The disciples responded to this promise by constantly devoting themselves to prayer, day after day, until the Holy Spirit came upon them in power.

Thy Kingdom Come is a worldwide prayer movement that happens each year in the ten days between Ascension and Pentecost. To learn more, go to [thykingdomcome.global](http://thykingdomcome.global)

In April and May we hold our annual meetings and review progress with our Plan for Growth. Key steps in 2023 included:

- setting up the Youth Café in Hoxne which now meets regularly on the fourth Friday of the month;
- installing the toilet block at Hoxne church;
- commissioning our new Pastoral Lay Elder.

We are keen to get your views on what we should do next. Look out for a full progress report and a questionnaire at events over the summer, or contact me for copies.

### Revd Eleanor Goodison

*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](mailto:eleanor.goodison@gmail.com)

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Revd Richard: [rev.richard.court@icloud.com](mailto:rev.richard.court@icloud.com)

## May 2024

### Wednesday 1st

**The Coffee Caravan** will be in Redlingfield 10am to 12 noon on the village triangle. Come and celebrate May Day!

### Sunday 5th

**Messy Church** meets at 4pm at Syleham and Wingfield Village Hall. We will be walking the road to Emmaus. Designed for children aged 3-7 with parents or carers and siblings, but all welcome to participate.

### Tuesday 7th

**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 a few books.

### Tuesday 7th

**Little Lambs** will meet at the Pavilion in Hoxne, 12.30 to 2.30pm. For children aged 0-3 and their carers. Bring a packed lunch and we can eat together.

### Thursday 9th

... is **Ascension Day**. There will be a deanery service at 7pm at Palgrave church.

### Saturday 11th

**Call My Bluff (Wine Tasting Quiz).**

Syleham's popular fund raising event is back! Hilarious evening of sipping, guessing, cheating ... and more sipping. Syleham and Wingfield Village Hall (IP21 4LT), 7 for 7.30 pm. Cost: £25 per person includes all wines and delicious sit-down supper. Enquiries/bookings to Colin Campbell [darrsville@aol.com](mailto:darrsville@aol.com) 01379 668306. Book in advance and pay on the night. Proceeds to Syleham Church Fabric Fund.

### Saturday 18th

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

### Saturday 18th

#### Gong Bath in a Garden

in aid of the Hoxne Church Bells  
4.00pm on 18 May



Relax on the lawn to the shimmering sound of gongs played by John Dunlop

In the garden of Catelyn's House, Church Road, Wingfield IP21 5QZ

Please bring a yoga mat or similar, and a blanket if the weather is cool

Suggested donation £15

**To book** or find out more, contact:  
Revd John McCracken 07876 507288



### Monday 20th

**The Mothers' Union Fellowship Group** meets at Time House at 2.30pm.

### Tuesday 21st

Our **Bible Study Group** is back on Zoom at 7.30pm with a new theme for the summer. Contact Revd Eleanor if you would like to join in. We are very informal, no prep required.

### Wednesday 22nd

**The Book Club** meets 5pm in the De La Pole Arms, Wingfield. Our book for May is the narrative poem *The Borough* by George Crabbe.

### APCMs in May (Annual Meetings)

**Everyone welcome!**

**Redlingfield**, 7.30pm on Tuesday 7th May in the church

**Syleham**, 11am on Sunday 19th May in the church

**Wingfield**, 2pm on Saturday 11th May in the church

**Athelington**, 7pm on Monday 20th May in the church

### Friday 24th

We will be singing hymns and saying prayers at the Depperhaugh at 2.30pm. Additional singers always welcome!

### Friday 24th

The **Youth Café** is open 7 to 9pm at Hoxne pavilion for everyone in school years 7-11 (ages 12-16). Games, crafts, food and hanging out with your friends. Come and join us!

### Friday 24th

**Quiz night** at Syleham and Wingfield Village Hall in aid of Wingfield church. 7.30 for 8pm. Teams of 4 at £5 per person. Text Julie on 07929 794636 to book, or just come along on the night.

### Looking ahead.....

### Saturday 8th June

**Summer event at Hoxne church**

2 to 5pm. Stalls, teas, barbecue, Pimms, games and activities, tower tours and an update on the bells project.

Also a **talk on heraldry** at Wingfield church at 7pm. Bob Elliott, a member of the Suffolk Heraldry Society who organised the Coronation Exhibition of English Royal Heraldry at the Cathedral in Bury St Edmunds, will give an illustrated talk on local heraldry. Refreshments. Donations invited in aid of St Andrew's church.



### Weds 29th at Monk Soham

**Medieval Geometry Workshop** 10am to 12 noon. Hands-on session, no experience necessary, all required items provided. A short introduction to symbolic proportions and geometric constructions employed in Gothic church architecture, with Clarissa Grandi, geometric artist, author, etc. Limited pre-booked tickets, £30. 01728 685663.

### Keep in touch!

Check out our facebook pages:  
[facebook.com/WingfieldChurch](https://facebook.com/WingfieldChurch)  
[facebook.com/athelingtonchurch](https://facebook.com/athelingtonchurch)  
[facebook.com/HoxneMC](https://facebook.com/HoxneMC)

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### Waveney Foodbank

Tel: 07484 394749.

Please don't forget to donate food (in Hoxne church or your supermarket) or go to the website to donate online. Non-perishable goods always required.