

# Hoxne Benefice Churches

**Athelington Denham Horham  
Hoxne Redlingfield  
Syleham Wingfield  
November 2024**



## Your word is a lamp to my feet

November is a notoriously dark month: the clocks go back and the evenings suddenly draw in. The weather tends to be gloomy too. Carrying a torch is a good idea. Spiritually and emotionally we may feel low but Psalm 119 reassures us, saying God's word "is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path". As the clocks go back on the last Sunday of October, we celebrate Bible Sunday and the word of God which guides us all through the winter and the rest of the year as well.

November in the church's year actually starts with another celebration - the celebration of All Saints (or All Hallows), a joyful occasion for rejoicing rather than dwelling on ghosts and ghoulishness. Then the emphasis is on remembrance, with All Souls' Day on 2nd November and our service of Memorial and Thanksgiving, followed by Remembrance Sunday on 10th November and our marking of the anniversary of the B17 crash at Redlingfield on 19th November. Soon we are celebrating again, however, with a special Evensong for St Edmund on 20th November and Hoxne's ever-popular Autumn Fair on Saturday 23rd November.

So as the days get darker and vegetation dies back for the winter, we need not feel anxious or depressed. God is with us at all times, illuminating the darkness. We can reflect that light too, by looking out for each other through the winter and spreading the warmth of love and care. Our regular coffee mornings continue through the colder months and are an opportunity to get together, share problems and offer support.

**Stay safe and warm. Revd Eleanor**

*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.*

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Nov 2024	Sunday 3rd All Saints	Sunday 10th Remembrance Sunday	Sunday 17th 2nd before Advent	Sunday 24th Christ the King
Athelington	9.30am RC CW Holy Communion			
Denham		10.45am BI Remembrance Service		11am EG CW Holy Communion
Horham		3pm JM Remembrance Service	11.15am EG BCP Holy Communion	
Hoxne	9.30am DM BCP Holy Communion	10.45am EG Remembrance Service	9.30am EG CW Holy Communion	11am JM CW Holy Communion 4pm EG All Age Service
Redlingfield		10.45am JM Remembrance Service		
Syleham	4pm ML+team Messy Church Syleham/ Wingfield village hall.	10.45am ML Remembrance Service	10am ML Village Service	9.30am JM BCP Holy Communion
Wingfield	11am RC CW Holy Communion	9am EG BCP Holy Comm + Act of Remembrance	6pm JM BCP Evensong	

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov, 8.30am, Redlingfield bomber memorial service

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Nov, Edmund, King and Martyr, 6pm Evensong, Hoxne EG

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)

## Church contacts

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Redlingfield: St Andrew	Hazel Abbott 01379 678217
Syleham: St Margaret	Mary Lewis 07775 732259, Sarah Buckley 01379 668480
Wingfield: St Andrew	John McCracken 07876 507288

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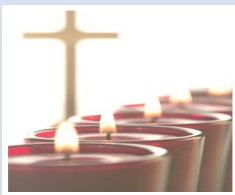
### Friday 1st

We will be singing hymns and saying prayers at **The Depperhaugh** at 2.30pm. Additional singers are always welcome.

### Saturday 2nd

Our annual **Service of Memorial and Thanksgiving** for those we have lost

will be at 4pm at Hoxne church. Please let Revd Eleanor have the names of any loved ones you would like to be commemorated.



### Sunday 3rd

**Messy Church** We are back in Syleham and Wingfield Village Hall at 4pm. Children aged 3-7, their parents, siblings and carers, are all welcome.

### Tuesday 5th

**Little Lambs** will meet at the Hoxne Pavilion from 12.30 to 2.30pm. For children aged 0-3 and their carers. Bring your sandwiches!

### Tuesdays 5th and 19th

Our **Bible Study Group** will meet on Zoom at 7.30pm for an hour. We will be continuing our study of passages from the Book of Acts. Contact Revd Eleanor if you would like to join in. We are very informal and no preparation is required.

**Wednesday 6th Winter coffee morning** in Redlingfield, 10am to 12 noon. Venue to be confirmed.

**Saturday 9th History Exhibition and Talk at Syleham church.** The exhibition held in the church in tandem with the

historical re-enactment on 27th July proved very popular, but many were unable to visit as they were engaged elsewhere in the event. So it is being repeated, with the added bonus of a talk by local historian Stephen Poulter on the key exhibit, the *Brockdish Diary*, the work of Charles Souter, Syleham's parish clerk in the early 19th century. It is really a Syleham diary. 7pm, wine and canapés will be served. For further info, contact [lorraine@syleham.uk](mailto:lorraine@syleham.uk)

### Sunday 10th Remembrance

9am at Wingfield, BCP Holy Communion and Act of Remembrance  
Remembrance Services  
10.45am at Denham  
10.45am at Hoxne  
10.45am at Redlingfield  
10.45am at Syleham  
3pm at Horham



**Lest we forget!**

### Tuesday 12th Nov

**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.

### Saturday 16th

**Hoxne Church Coffee Morning** and book sale. 9.45 to 11.15am in church. All welcome.

### Monday 18th

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

### Tuesday 19th

**B17 memorial service.** 8.30am at the memorial, Redlingfield.

### Tuesday 19th

**Winter Coffee Morning** at Wingfield Barns 10am to 12 noon. All welcome for coffee, tea and cake!

Other winter dates are Tuesdays 17th Dec, 21st Jan, 18th Feb, 18th March

### Wednesday 20th

**Little Lambs** will meet at Hoxne pavilion from 9.30 to 11.30am. Craft activities and socialising for children aged 0-3 and their carers.

### Wednesday 20th

We will celebrate **St Edmund's Day** with a special service of Evensong at Hoxne church at 6pm, followed by refreshments. Do come along as we remember our local (and formerly national) patron saint.

### Friday 22nd

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.

### Saturday 23rd

**Hoxne Autumn Fair** takes place at St Edmund's Hall from 12 noon to 2.30pm. Stalls, games, soup lunches and maybe a surprise or two!

### Wednesday 27th

The **Book Club** will meet at 5pm at our new home, The Swan in Hoxne. Sadly, our October meeting had to be cancelled because a number of people were unable to attend at the last moment. So we will be discussing the book previously planned which was *The Lady and the Unicorn* by Tracy Chevalier.

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