

Dereham, Scarning,
East Bilney, Hoe,



Swanton Morley, Beetley with
Shipdham and Bradenham

This Week in our Churches

Week beginning 10th August, 2025

Sunday 10th Eighth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Parish Communion & Baptism, Dereham		The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Parish Communion	East Bilney	The Revd M Newey
	9.30am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Hoe	The Revd L Purnell
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Scarning	Mr T Cross
				The Revd P Cubitt
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd M Newey
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Swanton Morley	The Revd L Purnell
	2-5pm	Cream teas	Scarning	Mr T Cross
	6.30pm	Worship Service	Quebec Hall	Mr T Cross
	6.00pm	Compline, see on Facebook.		
Mon 11th	9.30am	Outdoor working party	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bible study	The Rectory, Shipdham	
Tue 12th	2.30pm	Bible study	Church House	Mr T Cross
Wed 13th	9.30-11.00am	Pop up Pantry	Shipdham	
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	10.45am	Mothers' Union	Dereham	The Revd M Newey
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
	2.30pm	Holy Communion	Shipdham Manor	The Revd D Fotherby
	7.00pm	Bell ringing practice	Scarning	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Shipdham	
Thur 14th	10.00am	Coffee, cake and company	Swanton Morley	
	11.00am	Funeral of Peter Henman	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	7.30pm	Extra bell ringing practice	Dereham	
Fri 15th	Daytime & evening, VJ80 events, see over for details.			
	2.00pm	Holy Communion	Eckling Grange	The Revd J Taylor
	7.30pm	Bell ringing	Swanton Morley	
Sat 16th	2.00pm	Wedding	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
	7.30pm	VJ80 concert (6.30 supper)	Scarning	
Sunday 17th Ninth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	All Age Worship	Dereham	Mr T Cross
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Beetley	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Bradenham	The Revd L Purnell
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Scarning	Mr T Cross
	11.15am	Morning Praise & Baptism	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
	11.15am	Parish Communion	Swanton Morley	The Revd P Cubitt
	3.00pm	Interment of Ashes	Swanton Morley	The Revd P Cubitt
	6.30pm	Worship Service	Eckling Grange	Mr T Cross
	6.00pm	Compline, see on Facebook.		

News for the Pews

Tom's Bible study group will recommence on Tuesday 12th August, in Church House 2.30 - 4pm. All are welcome. If you have not been before, this might be a good opportunity to start, as we shall be commencing a study of the Old Testament books of Ezra and Nehemiah. Any queries, please contact Tom on 01362 858612 or tomjcross@hotmail.com.

August Mothers' Union Day Meeting

The MU Mary Sumner Anniversary Day meeting will be on Wednesday August 13th to which we have invited other local branches.

For members who would like to attend we will join the St Nicholas Church 10am Communion Service. We will all meet together for coffee from 10.45 - 11.15am. Then our new part time curate the Revd Michael Newey is going to give us a talk on his call to ordination after which we will have Midday Prayers. Weather permitting, we will continue to have fellowship in the Queen Mothers Garden. Members should bring their own picnic lunches and drinks please.

VJ 80 – events in Dereham Friday 15th August

10.00am – 5.00pm Exhibitions in St Nicholas and Bishop Bonner Cottage Museum. Live music from the 1940's in the church throughout the day, also refreshments.

2.00pm Short service at the War Memorial.

2.30pm VJ 80 Commemoration Service at St Nicholas.

6.30pm Tree Planting on the Fleece Meadow.

VJ 80 – Shipdham, Friday 15th August

7.00pm VJ 80 Commemoration Service in All Saints' Church.

VJ 80 – Swanton Morley, Friday 15th August

7.00pm VJ 80 Commemoration Service in All Saints' Church.

Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of VJ Day, Saturday 16th August. Supper in Scarning Village Hall at 6.30pm, and Concert in Church at 7.30pm.

We are delighted that Kyle is making a return visit to Scarning to entertain us with songs from the era. She is superb!

Tickets are £15 for the supper and concert or £10 for the concert only and are available from Tricia 01362 687082 pforeman4@sky.com or

Sue 01362 694886 suerockley84@gmail.com Thanks to Breckland Council for supporting the event. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. Proceeds to Scarning Church.

Alpha Course

We will be running an Alpha Course on Tuesdays, 7-9 pm beginning 9th September.

The Alpha course is for people from all walks of life who are curious about the Christian faith. It allows you to explore the basics of Christianity, share your thoughts and discuss in an open and friendly space.

These small group sessions will begin with refreshments, followed by a short video designed to engage and inspire conversation. Each week a different question is covered, such as ***Who is Jesus?***, ***How can we have faith?*** and ***How does God guide us?***

The group will be held at Mark and Ruth Thorpe's home. If you feel this course might be for you, please speak to Rev Paul Cubitt.

The annual **Bike, Walk and Drive Day** is on the horizon again – Saturday 13th September, and there's an opportunity to win large financial prizes for our churches. So if you fancy an outing, plan your route and perhaps make a day of it. Posters will be around the parishes with more details.

Katharine Ames-Lewis is spending the weekend of 13/14th September in Dereham. There will be a Benefice Bring and Share Lunch in Church House 12.30pm on Sunday 14th for members of our benefice congregations who remember Katharine and would like to see her. Please contact Sheila Hanmer 01362 655092 or sheila.hanmer@outlook.com if you intend to come.

John Newton at 300 Benefice Service Sunday 14th September 4.30pm. 2025 marks the 300th anniversary of Newton's birth. The service will include some of the hymns of John Newton and William Cowper which were included in the first Olney hymn book of 1779. During the service Martin and Carol Hajee will be commissioned as Anna Chaplains.

A few **dates for your diary** – more details will follow closer to the events.

Bradenham Harvest Lunch – Sunday 14th September, 12 noon.

Bradenham Pudding Fest – Saturday 27th September, 7pm.

We need a new treasurer for Swanton Morley and/or Bilney and Beetley. Richard Chalkley has been looking after the accounts but will be moving from the area. Please see the Rector if you might be able to help.

Parish share can be easily enhanced by using the internet portal Easy Fundraising. Once registered and linked to the charity number of your church you can use Easy Fundraising to find the web sites of many on-line shops. Every time you use Easy Fundraising a donation will be made to your local church as a parish share contribution. Please give it a go <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

Food Bank Parcels – Urgent need is for washing up liquid. Lesser demand but still appreciated is laundry detergent, sweet treats eg kitkats, tinned soup and tinned vegetables. They have plenty of pasta, sanitary wear, breakfast cereal and biscuits so these items are not needed. Please do consider adding one of these items to your shop this week - thank you! Please remember that they can only use items with a reasonably long 'best before' date.

Recently departed: Peter Henman.

Those on the anniversary of their death: Cliff Lawes, Esme Edwards and John Brunning.

For our prayers: Jenny Taylor, Sylvia Blacker, Jean Fairweather, Keith Otty, Cheryl Lister, Doug Speed, Ong Song, Pat & Brian Ogden, Peter Hunt, Val Stebbings, Ann Betts, Irene & John Farrall, Baby Forrest, June Burleigh, Barbara Beckett, Melva Brunning, Maureen & Peter Hart, John Crick, Robin & Joan Loveday, also Tommy Barnes and Pam Walker.

Prayers and Collects

Collect

Lord God,
your Son left the riches of heaven
and became poor for our sake:
when we prosper save us from pride,
when we are needy save us from despair,
that we may trust in you alone;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Introductory sentence for the Peace

Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord
the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung your praise
be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your
love shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been fed
with your body be refreshed with the
fullness of your life;
glory to you forever.

Our Clergy

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Benefice on Sundays.

The Rev'd Doreen Fotherby
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This week's readings – two from
Genesis 15.1-6
Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16
Luke 12.32-40
Psalms 33.12-21

Next week's readings from
Jeremiah 23:23-29
Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2
Luke 12:49-56
Psalms 82

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