

Dereham, Scarning,
East Bilney, Hoe,



Swanton Morley, Beetley with
Shipdham and Bradenham

This Week in our Churches

Week beginning 11th October 2026

Sun 11th Nineteenth after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Parish communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Cafe Church	Bradenham Village Hall	Mrs H Jeckells Mr. M Purnell
	9.30am	Parish Communion	East Bilney	The Revd L Purnell
	9.30am	Morning Prayer _(BCP)	Hoe	Mrs L Crick
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Scarning	The Revd P Cubitt
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Swanton Morley	Mrs L. Crick
	6.00pm	Compline _(See Facebook)		
Mon 12th	9.30am	Outdoor working party	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice	Dereham	
Tues 13th	11.00am	Funeral	Scarning	The Revd P Cubitt
Wed 14th	9am–11am	Open Church	Shipdham	
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
	2.30pm	Holy Communion	Lincoln House	The Revd P Cubitt
	2.30pm	Holy Communion	Shipdham Manor	The Revd L Purnell
	2.30pm	Mothers Union Meeting	Dereham	In the Chancel
	7.00pm	Bell ringing practice	Scarning	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing Practice	Shipdham	
Thur 15th	10.00am	Coffee, Cake & Company, Swanton Morley		
	1.15pm	DCINA science visit	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
Fri 16th	2.00pm	Holy Communion	Eckling Grange	The Revd P Cubitt
	5.00pm–7.00pm	Flower Festival preview, Swanton Morley		
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Swanton Morley	
Sat 17th	10.00am	Autumn Flower Festival	Swanton Morley	
		– also on Sunday from 10.00am		
Sun 18th twentieth after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Beetley	The Revd J Fernando
	10.30am	HARVEST	Bradenham	The Revd J Atkins
	11.15am	Morning Praise	Shipdham	The Ven A Hawes
	5.00pm	HARVEST	Swanton Morley	The Revd P Cubitt
	6.00pm	Compline _(See Facebook)		

News for the Pews

Gluten Free Wafers

All of our churches now have gluten free wafers. If you are coeliac and want to take Communion, if you could kindly let the clergy or churchwarden know before the service begins so that we can be prepared, thank you.

Update on Pew Seats

Thank you to those of you who have made pledges towards the cost of providing comfortable pew seats for our church. I have had pledges from £1000 to £5 and a contribution from our Treasurer. But we are still short by nearly £1500. If we have the necessary monies by the end of October we can order and receive the cushions in time for winter. Please consider adding your pledge now. Thank you, Lynn.

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Dereham Foodbank Current urgent needs, locally are for, coffee, soup, tinned tomatoes and tinned vegetables. If you can bring them to St Nicholas, donations should be left in the basket on the Chancel steps. Thank you.

Mothers' Union Meeting

Wednesday October 14th 2.30pm meeting in the chancel at St Nicholas Church and the speaker will be the Rev'd Ken Pilgrim talking about his life as an immigration officer. All interested members of the congregation are welcome to join us.

All Saints, Swanton Morley - weekend of 17th-18th October

Autumn Flower Festival. 10.00am-4.00pm both days, ending with our **Harvest Festival Service 5.00pm** on Sunday 18th.

Showcasing local flower arrangers and community groups within our beautiful Church building and fund-raising for the Church. Refreshments available. Special preview 5.00-7.00pm on Friday 16th October. Tickets £5 from Jacquie Aldous 01362 638320 Please email j.aldous302@btinternet.com for details if you would like to sponsor the flowers in memory of a loved one, or your community group would like to be represented.

Wrap Up (Norwich and District): needs warm winter coats, fleeces, gilets, scarves, hats and gloves for ALL ages (0-100) and sizes, **in clean, good condition**, are urgently needed please for the **Wrap Up Norwich and District project**. This is the fourth year of running; the project has donated over 2500 warm items to those that need them, working with locally based YMCA, St Martins, Leeway, The Salvation Army and many other organisations bringing comfort and help to families and individuals in need. Diana MacMullen (Bradenham, Churchwarden 07831 117453) is happy to collect donations from Dereham, Shipdham and Bradenham churches before the deadline of 18th October.

ITEMS CAN BE LEFT IN ST NICHOLAS CHURCH any time before 12 noon on Sunday 18th. Place under the table in the Cowper Chapel – where the mirror is to view the ceiling – and they will be stored ready for collection. Thank you.

St Nicholas Dereham Fundraising Committee

Tuesday 20th October - Please come and join us in Church House from 2.00 to 4:00pm for a social afternoon playing board and card games and enjoy some tea/coffee and cake. Tickets are £5.00 (to include refreshments) and are available from Dianne Harbord in Church or telephone 07943962593/07523958508

Saturday 31st October - We are hosting a Parish Lunch in Church House 12.30 for 13:00. This will be a two course lunch.

MENU : Cottage Pie or Vegetable Cottage Pie, served with buttered new potatoes and mixed vegetables. Delicious Homemade puddings and desserts followed by tea and coffee.

Tickets are £15.00 (in advance) available from Dianne Harbord (in Church) or telephone 07943962593/07523958508

Scarning are holding an Autumn Quiz Night on Friday 30th October. *This has been cancelled and will be re-arranged in 2027.*

The Fellowship trip to Springfields

The trip to Springfields will be taking place on Friday November 6th. Melva has had some help from Ann Kelly who has kindly offered to assist Mel with the trip. Please meet at the church before 9am, to board the coach. Thank you

The Fellowship Team has several duties. These include; Social meetings for newcomers to the church, Afternoon teas for those unable to get to church on Sundays, and also organised outings for members of the congregations within the Benefice.

For many years these events have been organised to an exceptional extent by Melva Brunning who is now finding it very difficult to continue. Therefore the church is looking for someone who would be prepared to take on these duties. If you feel overawed at the task, Melva is more than prepared to guide and support whoever takes on these duties whilst they are finding their feet.

If you feel This Could Be YOU then either speak to Melva, or either of the Church Wardens.

AFRICAN CHOIR OF NORFOLK. Tickets for the Performance by this wonderful Choir are now on sale at Green Pastures Bookshop, Norwich Street, Dereham priced at £12.50 (cash only please) or from Tim Cara by calling 07432 091044, or in Church from Diane Harbord. You can use the card machine in the Church, putting your name as the reference. The concert is on Sunday afternoon, 15th November, beginning at 2.30pm. Proceeds to the Building Fund.

SAFEGUARDING - With regards to the audit info I was requested to share recently - I've been asked to hopefully simplify and explain it.

The Diocese would like EVERYONE who comes to church to take part in this simple, short, confidential and anonymous questionnaire (survey) to enable them, (the diocese), to know how they can help us to grow and continue to be a strong and safe church.

It is just tick boxes like - disagree, agree, strongly agree, don't know etc - and after a short intro asks what part of the church you are involved in eg bellringer, choir, worshipper etc. for you to begin It can be found at

inege.com/churchofengland/norwich/

It is open until 11th November at 11.30pm

I hope this helps and if there are any further questions please contact me or Clare Cubitt. Thank you. Tracy Lea. Safeguarding Officer.

SHOEBOX APPEAL. Once again Blythswood Christian Charity will be sending gifts of a shoebox filled with small items e.g. toiletries, writing materials, hat, gloves and scarves to countries in Eastern Europe. A full list can be found in the leaflets which can be found on the Font. We also welcome any of the items or money to help pay for the transport. Thank you! Mary Jack.

Prayers and Collects Trinity 19

Collect

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end; grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord

Peace

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
cf Romans 5.1

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in our lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Team Vicar vacancy is currently being advertised until Tuesday 13th October. The interviews will be on 5th November. Please continue to pray for the right person to join us.

A vacancy prayer

Dear Lord, we thank you for your presence in every aspect of our lives and the long history of worship in Swanton Morley, Hoe, and Beetley with East Bilney.

During this new phase of change we pray for your guidance and direction as we undertake the process of selecting a new Team Vicar.

We ask for a smooth transition and for candidates, inspired by your calling, to expand your ministry and grow your church within our villages and benefice. Amen.

Please pray for: Ann Betts, Sylvia Blacker, Sarah Broscam, Melva Brunning, June Burleigh, Pam Walker, Jean Fairweather, Irene & John Farrall, Maureen & Peter Hart, Peter Hunt, Cheryl Lister, Robin and Joan Loveday, Pat & Brian Ogden, Leon Scott, George Silence, Val Stebbings, Jenny Taylor, Forest, Beverley Burton.

On the Anniversary of their death:

Richard Maxwell, Megan Whiteley, Judith Webdale,

Recently Departed: Michael Farrow and Peter Johnson.

Our Clergy

Team Rector

The Rev'd Canon Paul Cubitt

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rest day Monday

Team Vicar

The Rev'd Laura Purnell

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rest day Friday

Assistant Curate (Part time)

The Rev'd Michael Newey

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tel 07740 824877

The Revd Michael will continue to work full time, but will be in the Benefice on Sundays.

The Rev'd Doreen Fotherby

tel 01362 821481

The Rev'd Carole Prouse

tel 01362 423408

This week's readings –

Isaiah 25.1-9

Psalms 23

Philippians 4.1-9

Matthew 22.1-14

Next week's readings –

Isaiah 45.1-7

Psalms 96.1-9(10-13)

Matthew 22.15-22

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Benefice Newsletter items: derehamanddistrictteam@gmail.com deadline 11am Tuesday