

Dereham, Scarning,  
East Bilney, Hoe,



Swanton Morley, Beetley with  
Shipdham and Bradenham

# This Week in our Churches

Week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2025

Trinity Sunday	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd L Purnell	
	9.30am	All Age Worship	Dereham	Mr T Cross	
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Beetley	The Revd R Dines	
	9.30am	Choral Matins	Bradenham	The Revd L Purnell	
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Scarning	Mr T Cross	
	11.15am	Morning Praise & Baptism	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell	
				Mr M Purnell	
	11.15am	Parish Communion with bring & share lunch, Swanton Morley			The Revd R Dines
				The Revd A Whorton	
	6.00pm	Compline, see on Facebook			
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Outdoor working party	Dereham		
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Dereham		
	7.30pm	Bible study	Shipdham		
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Bible study	Church House	Mr T Cross	
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-11.00am	Pop up Pantry	Shipdham		
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd L Purnell	
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd D Fotherby	
	2.30pm	Funeral of Rosie Huish	Dereham	The Revd L Purnell	
	7.00pm	Bell ringing practice	Scarning		
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Shipdham		
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Coffee, cake and company	Swanton Morley		
	2.30pm	Holy Communion	Lincoln House	The Revd L Purnell	
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	1.00pm	Organ Recital	Dereham		
	2.00pm	Holy Communion	Eckling Grange	The Revd L Purnell	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing	Swanton Morley		
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup>	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt	
	9.30am	AI Parish Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt	
	9.30am	Parish Communion	E Bilney	The Revd D Fotherby	
	9.30am	Holy Communion BCP	Bradenham	The Revd L Purnell	
	11.15am	Parish Communion	Scarning	Mr The Revd P Cubitt	
	11.15am	Parish Communion	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell	
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Swanton Morley	Mrs L Crick	
	6.00pm	Compline, see on Facebook			

## **News for the Pews**

### **St Withburga's Well at St Nicholas church.**

Many of you will have admired the well kept flower tubs and surrounds at the well. These are planted and maintained by Sue Barker. Sue would like to thank Jan Day for growing and donating most of the plants this year, and for Janet for the geraniums. This has helped her a lot this year.

The **St Nicholas June lunchtime organ recitals** are in full swing and the music well played and received. The sandwich lunches are tasty and beautifully presented. My recital is next; it will open with a Fantastic overture, is centred by my own arrangement of Ketelbey's (popular in 1930's) In a Chinese Temple, and finishes with Vierne's famous and catchy Final.  
Richard Bower.

### **Evening Bible Study - Shipdham**

We have been holding an evening bible study in Shipdham on Monday nights and it has been open to anyone from our benefice. We have taken a break for may as it is full of Monday bank holidays! Before we restart, we wanted to see if it was the best night for the majority. (There is a daytime bible study for the benefice on a Tuesday afternoon in church house)  
Also, I wanted to give anyone who hadn't been to bible study before but wanted to know more to ask about it.

So, if bible study is of interest and without commitment, I'd be grateful for your thoughts on the questions below....

Have you been to bible study before?

Do you attend one now?

Would you like to?

What is stopping you?

When would be best for you? If an evening, which evening/s?

What questions would you like answered before you came?

Either drop me a note into the church office or give me a ring on 01362 821249. Or email me on [revlaurapurnell@gmail.com](mailto:revlaurapurnell@gmail.com) with your answers and questions.

Thank you and God bless, Laura.

**On Saturday 28th June St Nicholas Fundraising Team are hosting a Strawberry Afternoon Tea in The Rectory Garden**, 1 Vicarage Meadows, Dereham, NR19 1TW ( in Church if wet)

TIME: 3.30 to 5.30

TICKETS: £10.00 each available in Church from Dianne Harbord or tel 07943 962593 / 07523 958508.

(Please bring your own garden chairs. Anyone who cannot do so please speak to Dianne when purchasing your ticket).

Please make up a party and join the **Friends of St Andrew's Bradenham** for an afternoon of 'Strawberries and Sparkles' on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> July. Accompanied by 'Mustard' barber-shop quartet, we'll be in the garden of The Old Rectory, opposite St Mary's Church, Church St, (E) Bradenham, by kind invitation of Margaret and David Bohn. Tickets £15 pp for strawberries and cream and 2 glasses of Prosecco. Raffle. In aid of church restoration funds. 2.30 – 5pm. TICKETS from Lavinia Rix [laviniarix@gmail.com](mailto:laviniarix@gmail.com) 07747 449208. Please bring your own chairs or picnic rugs. We're

planning for glorious sunshine, but if wet we'll be in Bradenham Village Hall. We hope you'll join us.

**Mid Norfolk Singers** are having a Summer Choral Concert 'Carnival of the Animals', on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July 6pm at St Nicholas Church, tickets £10 available on the door, under 18's free.

### **More Ministry Team News**

Mr Michael Newey will be serving his curacy with us and will be Ordained Deacon on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June at Norwich Cathedral. He will be remaining CEO of Broadland Housing and training as a Self-Supporting Minister (SSM). The Revd Canon Paul Cubitt will be the next Rural Dean of the Dereham in Mitford Deanery following the resignation of the Revd Dr Timothy Weatherstone.

**Food Bank Parcels** – Urgent needs are for instant mash, nappies (size 3 & 5), sweet biscuits, tinned rice pudding and tinned fruit. Lesser demand but still appreciated is laundry detergent, jams and spreads. They have plenty of pasta, sanitary wear, breakfast cereal and teabags, 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.

**Food Bank** We have received the latest news from the Food Bank. Do take a look at the notice boards at the back of St Nicholas and or in the porch where this information is displayed. The statistics are shocking so please do continue to donate food and toiletries - these are very much appreciated. Thank you.

**Eco tip** There is now a box at the back of St Nicholas for jam jars which can be re-used by jam makers - please let any friends who make jam that they can help themselves!

Pat Ryan's funeral will be at St Nicholas, Dereham on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 11am.

### **A message from Katharine Ames-Lewis about the Revd Canon Richard Ames-Lewis (Team Rector 2000-2009)**

'Richard died on the evening of Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May very suddenly and unexpectedly, here at home. He suffered a massive heart attack. He was 80. He had spent the morning having a violin lesson and in the afternoon, taking photos of flowers in our garden. His funeral will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June in Cambridge'. The service is at St Benet's Church at 12noon.

**Recently departed:** Pat Ryan, the Revd Canon Richard Ames-Lewis, Margaret Mepham and Rosie Huish.

**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, Cyril Janes, Maureen & Peter Hart, and Robin & Joan Loveday, also Tommy Barnes and Pam Walker.

Remember to email anything for the pew sheet to [derehamanddistrictteam@gmail.com](mailto:derehamanddistrictteam@gmail.com) by 11.00am on a Tuesday. Thank you.

# **Prayers and Collects**

## **Invitation to confession**

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.

Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,  
all slander and malice,  
and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

*cf Ephesians 4.30,32*

## **Collect**

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **Introductory sentence for the Peace**

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.  
The peace of the triune God be always with you.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

## **Blessing**

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

## **Our Clergy**

Team Rector  
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The Rev'd Laura Purnell  
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The Rev'd Doreen Fotherby  
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This week's readings – two from

Proverbs 8.1-4,22-31

Romans 5.1-5

John 16.12-15

Next week's readings – two from

Isaiah 65.1-9

Galatians 3.23-29

Luke 8.26-39

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