

Dereham, Scarning,  
East Bilney, Hoe,



Swanton Morley, Beetley with  
Shipdham and Bradenham

# This Week in our Churches

Week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2025

<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b> Second Sunday of Epiphany	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	All Age Worship	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt Mr M Newey
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Beetley	The Revd R Dines
	9.30am	Choral Matins	Bradenham	Mr T Cross
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Scarning	The Revd P Cubitt Mr M Newey
	11.15am	Morning Praise	Shipdham	The Revd J Atkins
	11.15am	Parish Communion	Swanton Morley	The Revd R Dines
<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup></b>	9.30am	Outdoor working party	Dereham	
	2.00pm	Funeral of Alan Lean	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
<b>Tue 21<sup>st</sup></b>	2.30pm	Bible Study	Church House	Mr T Cross
<b>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	9.00am	Open Church	Shipdham	
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd D Fotherby
	7.00pm	Bell ringing practice	Scarning	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Shipdham	
<b>Thur 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	10.00am	Coffee, cake and company, Swanton Morley		
	1.30pm	Funeral of Andrew Cooper, Dereham		The Revd P Cubitt
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am	Funeral of Marina Holmes	Hoe	The Revd R Dines
	7.30pm	Bell ringing	Swanton Morley	
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	12.30pm	Italian lunch	Church House	
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt Mr A Goodman
Third Sunday Of Epiphany	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Bradenham	The Revd L Purnell
	9.30am	Parish Communion	East Bilney	The Ven A Hawes
	9.30am	Parish Communion (BCP)	Hoe	The Revd R Dines
	11.15am	Parish Communion (BCP)	Scarning	The Revd P Cubitt
	11.15am	Parish Communion	Shipdham	The Revd D Fotherby
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Swanton Morley	The Revd R Dines
	2.00 pm	Baptism	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt

# News for the Pews

## **Italian Lunch**

The Fundraising Committee will be holding a 3 course Italian lunch event in Church House on Saturday 25th January, 12 noon for 12.30pm start. Tickets are £12.50 per person, available from Dianne Harbord in Church or booked via Dianne on 01362 654940. All proceeds will go towards Church funds.

## **St Nicholas Gift Day Results**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our appeal in December for financial gifts to help with the day to day running of our church. The total raised was an amazing £7500 including Gift Aid. The Treasurer and PCC we are very grateful for this wonderful amount, which enables us to end the year without a deficit. Of course times remain challenging, so as we move into 2025 we are asking members to prayerfully consider their regular giving and increase this where possible to do so – if everyone was to make a small increase it would make a big difference overall.

Thank you so much for the lovely flowers that now brighten up my kitchen windowsill, it was quite a surprise to find them on my doorstep! I am so grateful to have such a wonderful church family. Kate Baldry

## Andrew and Shona Goodman

30 years ago, a young couple with a toddler left Dereham for S. E. Asia. Called by God to serve Him in Thailand, Andrew and Shona Goodman, with little Sophie, went with OMF International (Overseas Missionary Fellowship, formerly China Inland Mission) to serve among the Shan people in North West Thailand.

Over the years their family increased by another 3 children, and their ministry extended to include Shan people over the border in Myanmar, where they now lead a team of 40 OMF colleagues. Some members of the St. Nicholas church family have kept in touch, supporting them with prayer and encouraging them with gifts over these last 30 years. It will be a privilege and pleasure to welcome them and hear about their ministry next Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> at the 9.30 service. There will be many newer people in our church family who will be meeting them for the first time, as well as those who remember them from the past. After all, in 30 years there have been many changes, and the toddler of 1994 is now married with a toddler and baby of her own!

**Food Bank Parcels** – Urgent needs are for long-life fruit juice, tinned meat and tinned tomatoes, instant mash and baby wipes. They have plenty of pasta, breakfast cereal, baked beans and tea bags 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. Thank you so much everyone for your continued support of the Food Bank, sadly with the cost of living crisis there are many people who will find winter very difficult this year. Do bring your donations with you when you attend a service and place in the collection tub by the coffee table.

## Psalm 36.5-10

5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness stands like the strong mountains,  
your justice like the great deep;  
you, Lord, shall save both man and beast.

7 How precious is your loving mercy, O God!  
All mortal flesh shall take refuge  
under the shadow of your wings.

8 They shall be satisfied with the abundance of your house;  
they shall drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the well of life  
and in your light shall we see light.

10 O continue your loving-kindness to those who know you  
and your righteousness to those who are true of heart.

**Recently Departed:** Alan Lean and Andrew Cooper, Ron Guntrip, and Marina Holmes.

**Those on the anniversary of their death:** Phyllis Betts, Yvonne Pidegely, Alex Farquharson and Alan Jessup.

**For our prayers:** Jenny Taylor, Sylvia Blacker, Jean Fairweather, Keith Otty, Ann Betts, Doug Speed, Ong Song, Joan Gibson, Pat & Brian Ogden, Peter Hunt, Val Stebbings, Irene and John Farrall, Baby Forrest, Shirley Wharton, Cheryl Lister, June Burleigh, Barbara Beckett, Maureen Hart and Rhoda Edwards.

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**

The grace of God has dawned upon the world  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.  
Let us confess our sins.

*cf Titus 2.11-14*

## **Collect**

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your  
grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly  
glory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **Introductory sentence for the Peace**

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there shall be no end.

*cf Isaiah 9.6,7*

## **Post Communion Prayer**

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Blessing**

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory  
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain

## **Our Clergy**

Team Rector  
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This week's readings, two from  
Isaiah 62.1-5  
1 Corinthians 12.1-11  
John 2.1-11

Next week's readings, two from  
Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6,8-10  
1 Corinthians 12.12-31a  
Luke 4.14-21

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