

Dereham, Scarning,
East Bilney, Hoe,



Swanton Morley, Beetley with
Shipdham and Bradenham

This Week in our Churches

Week beginning 16th August 2026

<u>Sun 16th</u>	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	All Age Worship	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt Mrs J Olley
11th	9.30am	Parish Communion	Beetley	The Revd M Newey
Sunday	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Bradenham	The Revd L Purnell
after	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Scarning	The Revd P Cubitt
Trinity	11.15am	Morning Praise	Shipdham	Mrs H Jeckells
	11.15am	Parish Communion	Swanton Morley	The Revd R Carter & The Revd M Newey
	6.00pm	Compline (see Facebook)		
<u>Mon 17th</u>	9.30am	Outdoor working party	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bible Study	Shipdham Rectory	
<u>Tues 18th</u>	9.45am	The Daily Service	Radio 4 extra	
	11.30am	Funeral	Swanton Morley	The Revd P Cubitt
<u>Wed 19th</u>	9am – 11am	Open church & Pop up Pantry	Shipdham	
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
	7.00pm	Bell ringing practice	Scarning	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing Practice	Shipdham	
<u>Thurs 20th</u>	10.00am	Coffee, Cake & Company	Swanton Morley	
	2.30pm	Holy Communion	Lincoln House	The Revd P Cubitt
<u>Fri 21st</u>	2.00pm	Holy Communion	Eckling Grange	The Revd P Cubitt
	2.00pm	Organ Recital	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Swanton Morley	
<u>Sat 22nd</u>	10.00am	Baptism	Hoe	The Revd P Cubitt
	2.30pm	Wedding	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
<u>Sun 23rd</u>	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
12th	9.30am	Holy Communion(BCP)	Bradenham	The Revd L Purnell
Sunday	9.30am	Morning Praise	East Bilney	Mrs L Crick
after	9.30am	Parish Communion(BCP)	Hoe	The Revd D Ackroyd
Trinity	11.15am	Parish Communion(BCP)	Scarning	The Revd P Cubitt
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Ven A Hawes
	11.15am	Morning Prayer	Swanton Morley	Mrs L Crick
	2.00pm	Baptism	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.

The BBC 'Daily Service' from St Withburga's Well will be broadcast on Radio 4 extra on Tuesday 18th August at 9.45am. It will then be available on BBC Sounds. It is part of a series on Holy Women. Radio 4 extra are using the spelling Wihthburh.

St Nicholas Sanctuary Flowers

It was an unexpected and lovely surprise to receive the sanctuary flowers this week. It reminds us that we are still part of our church family. Thank you for your continued prayers, they mean so much to us. Our love and good wishes to you all. June and Colin Burleigh

It's Your Move Booklets

Huge thank you to all who contributed to buying the It's Your Move booklets for every student within our benefice. I was able to deliver a transitions session with over 150 children, those that did not get the session got the book, and all the schools are ready to do it again next year, (as a broken arm limited my availability this year). We have 6 Primary and Junior Schools in our benefice and all Yr 6 leavers are heading to High School with this book. Thank you all for your generosity and prayers. We exceeded the amount needed and so this is being held in a schools budget for any other resources that might be needed and as a head start on next year's booklets.

Organ recital at St Nicholas church

On **Friday 21st August at 2pm** we will be entertained by Gabriel de Laharpe, an organist from Paris! Do join us to enjoy the music, followed by tea/coffee and cake. Retiring collection for church funds.

St Nicholas Dereham Fundraising Committee having had a couple of weeks off are now busy preparing for our next events.

On Saturday 5th September we are holding a Prize Bingo in Church House at 2.30pm. If anyone has any items they would like to donate suitable for prizes please speak to Susanne.

On Friday 2nd October we have a Country, Irish, 50's/60,s and popular music Concert featuring Kevin Barry Musician (Banjo/Guitar). Tickets for this will be £10 and are NOW on sale from Green Pastures, Norwich Street, Dereham and Dianne Harbord in Church. Enquiries 07523958508. Susanne

Heritage Open Days (HODS) Friday 11th September – Sunday 20th September

HODs St Nicholas, Dereham. Sir John Fenn lived in Dereham 1765-1794. It was here he published the Paston Letters. As an antiquarian he made copious notes on the church and its furnishings. The exhibition is open daily.

St Withburga's Well, the bell tower and the Muniments Room are only open on the Saturdays. If you are around and able to steward on Saturday 12th and Saturday 19th please let Paul or the Churchwardens know.

HODs St Peter & St Paul, Scarning – Saturday 12th September. Exhibition.

HODs St Mary, East Bilney – all week

Exhibition on the life and death of Thomas Bilney (c1495-1531).

Martyrs Cottage will also be open but this may be through a booking system. More details to follow.

50 Years Norfolk Churches Trust

It is now only two months until the 2026 **Bike Ride, Walk & Drive on Saturday 12th September**. Volunteers needed at St Nicholas from 9am until 5pm to welcome

participants. There will be four slots,

9-11, 11-1.00, 1.00-3.00 and 3.00-5.00pm. Please see Sheila if you can help in this way.

Thank you.

To take part visit the website below

<https://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride-walk/how-to-take-part/>

Hilary and the **2026 Bike Ride, Walk & Drive** team.

St Nicholas dates for your diary...

Organ Recital & Cake – Friday 21st August 2pm

Prize bingo - Saturday 5th September

Country Music Concert - Friday 2nd October

Social afternoon with board and card games - Tuesday 20th October

Candlelit Concert – Friday 23rd October

African Choir of Norfolk Concert at St Nicholas - Sunday 15th November

Mid Norfolk Singers Concert – Saturday 28th November

Christmas coffee morning - Saturday 12th Dec

More details of all these events will of course be printed closer to the time.

All Saints', Swanton Morley Saturday 19th September 7pm.

The Festival Choir, Bawdeswell, Gala Concert, 'From Bach to Broadway'. Tickets £15 followed by finger-food buffet and drinks.

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Weekend of 17th-18th October

Autumn Flower Festival. 10.00am-4.00pm both days

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

Harvest Festival Service at 5.00pm on Sunday 18th

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.

Recently Departed and Funerals coming up:

Kathleen Canham

Ray Arnold

Please Pray for:

Ann Betts, Sylvia Blacker, Sarah Broscam, Melva Brunning, June Burleigh, Jean Fairweather, Irene & John Farrall, Maureen & Peter Hart, Peter Hunt, Cheryl Lister, Robin and Joan Loveday, Pat & Brian Ogden, Leon Scott, George Sillence, Thelma Smith, Val Stebbings, Jenny Taylor, Pam Walker, Baby Forest, Chris and Ivy,
The Revd Sally Kimmis

On the Anniversary of their death: Peggy Barrett

Prayers and Collect

Collect

God of Glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your
kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Peace

Blessed be Christ, the Prince of Peace.
**He breaks down the walls that divide us:
praise Christ who is our peace!**

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy,
we faithful people have celebrated that one
true sacrifice which takes away our sins and
brings pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Clergy

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work full time, but will be in the
Benefice on Sundays.*

The Rev'd Doreen Fotherby
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The Rev'd Carole Prouse
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This week's readings –
Isaiah 56.1,6-8
Psalm 67
Romans 11.1-2a,29-32
Matthew 15.(10-20)21-28

Next week's readings –
Isaiah 51.1-6
Psalm 138
Romans 12.1-8
Matthew 16.13-20

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