

# This Week in our Churches

Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> July 2026

<b>Sun 5<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00am	Holy Communion(BCP)	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	8.00am	Holy Communion	Shipdham	The Revd L Purnell
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Dereham	The Revd M Newey
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Beetley	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Holy Communion(BCP)	Bradenham	The Revd L Purnell
	9.30am	Cafe Church	Shipdham	The Revd D Fotherby Mrs H Jeckells
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Scarning	The Revd P Cubitt
	11.15am	Parish Communion	Swanton Morley	The Revd M Newey
	6.00pm	Compline (see facebook)		
<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup></b>	9.30am	Outdoor working party	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice	Dereham	
	7.30pm	Bible Study	Shipdham Rectory	
<b>Tues 7<sup>th</sup></b>	2.30pm	Mothers Union Tea Party	Dereham	Church House
	7.15pm	Benefice Prayer Meeting	Eckling Grange	
<b>Wed 8<sup>th</sup></b>	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
	2.30pm	Holy Communion	Shipdham Manor	The Revd D Fotherby The Revd L Purnell
	7.00pm	Bell ringing practice	Scarning	
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<b>Thur 9<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am	Coffee, Cake & Company	Swanton Morley	
	Am	DCINA school leavers rehearsal,	Dereham	
	4.00pm	Doug Speed will lie in rest in	Dereham Church	
	7.30pm	Extra Bellringing Practice	Dereham	
<b>Fri 10<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am	Funeral of Doug Speed	Breckland Crematorium	
	And 2.00pm	Service of Thanksgiving	Eckling Grange	
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	Swanton Morley	
<b>Sat 11<sup>th</sup></b>	10am-12	Bric-A-Brac Sale	Dereham	
<b>Sun 12<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00am	Holy Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Parish Communion	Dereham	The Revd P Cubitt
	9.30am	Cafe Church	Bradenham V.H.	The Revd D Fotherby Mrs H Jeckells
	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)		

# News for the Pews

## **Mothers' Union 150th Anniversary Tea Party**

The Mothers' union are having 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tea Party on Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm in Church House.

This is for members, partners and invited guests.

## **Benefice Prayer meeting Tuesday July 7th.**

You are invited to attend the Benefice prayer meeting which will be held at Eckling Grange (NR20 3BB) – in the Gatehouse, **starting at 7:15pm on Tuesday 7th**

**July.** Directions to the Gatehouse: from Norwich Road, come into Eckling Grange grounds by the main entrance, straight on past left turn (which leads to the front of the house). Then slightly left towards the Wing on the left and Gatehouse on the right immediately before the closed delivery gate into Mattishall Road. There are parking spaces in front and to the right of the Gatehouse.

All are welcome, whether or not you have previously participated in meetings for prayer. We will pray for the Churches of Dereham and the villages; our Church leaders, local communities and activities; current events here and around the world; and for healing and peace for individuals who have requested our prayer support. If you are unable to attend in person, but have a request for prayer, for yourself or on behalf of another, please either speak to someone who you know will be attending the meeting, or send an email to [prayerrequestc777@gmail.com](mailto:prayerrequestc777@gmail.com) You need not provide your own name, and please don't name anyone for whom you are requesting prayer, unless they have given you permission. Strict confidentiality is maintained: we refer to first names only during our meetings.

## **Douglas Speed**

Dear friends. Our God is so good! He gifted Doug extra time, so we were able to celebrate our Diamond Wedding, just 3 days before his Passing to Glory. His departure can only be described as beautiful. His last word to me was 'love', with me and our family at his bedside. The icing on the cake was when I received the Sanctuary Flowers this last Sunday. Thank you so much, and also thank you for all the cards and messages my family and I have received. May God bless you all. Evelyn Speed x

All are welcome to Doug Speed's funeral services on July 10th at Breckland Crematorium at 10am, followed by a Thanksgiving Service at Eckling Grange at 2pm. All are welcome. If possible, please wear something yellow, even if just a token something. It was Doug's favour colour.

## **St. Nicholas Fundraising Committee**

Saturday 11th July from 10 to 12 St Nicholas Fundraising Committee are holding a sale of bric a brac, books and jigsaws outside Church. Refreshments will be available.

## **Organ Recitals**

Thank you to all who supported our organ concerts this June. Also to those who gave their time and energy in providing the superb pre concert sandwich lunches and also to those who put money into the retiring collection. The result of the excellent attendance and support has raised well over £2,500 given to the Building fund to help us install toilets and better kitchenette facilities in church.

Richard Bower.

Richard Bower is to give an organ recital at Wymondham Abbey on Saturday (11th) at 11am. (Free admission). It's easy to get to the Abbey by train from Dereham on Saturday morning. It leaves Dereham MNR station at 9.40 and reaches Wymondham Abbey station about 10.30 giving plenty of time for the short walk to the Abbey (and perhaps have a coffee on the Abbey before the concert). Trains back leave Wymondham at 13.05 and at 14.15.

**The Friends of St Andrew's, Bradenham** and Eastern Angles and the University of East Anglia Norwich INVITE YOU to:

**The Go Between ...- a return to Bradenham**

at 6-7.30pm on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> July at St Andrew's church.

please book FREE tickets through [easternangles.co.uk](http://easternangles.co.uk) / 01473 211498.

All local enquiries: please ring Diana on 07831 117453.

**Psalm 145:8-15**

<sup>8</sup> The Lord is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup> **The Lord is good to all,  
and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,  
and all your faithful shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup> **They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,  
and tell of your power,**

<sup>12</sup> to make known to all people your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

The Lord is faithful in all his words,  
and gracious in all his deeds.

<sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.

<sup>15</sup> **The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

**Recently Departed and Funerals coming up:**

10<sup>th</sup> July, 10.00am – Doug Speed, Breckland Crematorium

20<sup>th</sup> July, 2pm – Bill Fawcett, Shipdham

**On the Anniversary of their Death:**

David Williams

**Please Pray for:** Jenny Taylor, Sylvia Blacker, Jean Fairweather, Cheryl Lister, Pat & Brian Ogden, Peter Hunt, Ann Betts, Chris and Ivy, Val Stebbings, Baby Forrest, Irene & John Farrall, Pam Walker, June Burleigh, Maureen & Peter Hart, Robin & Joan Loveday, Melva Brunning, Thelma Smith, George Silence, Leon Scott

## Prayers and Collect

### **Collect**

Almighty God,  
send down upon your Church  
the riches of your Spirit,  
and kindle in all who minister the gospel  
your countless gifts of grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **The Peace**

God will speak peace to his people,  
to those who turn to him in their hearts.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*cf Psalm 85.8; 1 Samuel 12.20*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world may be so  
peaceably ordered by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all  
godly quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### 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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Assistant Curate (Part time)  
The Rev'd Michael Newey  
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*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 –  
Zachariah 9.9-12  
Psalm 145.8-15  
Romans 7.15-25a  
Matthew 11.16-19,25-30

Next week's readings –  
Isaiah 55.10-13  
Psalm 65. (1-7), 8-13  
Romans 8. 1-11  
Matthew 13.1-9,18-23

*Everyone is welcome to stay after the service at St Nicholas. Refreshments are available, it is a great opportunity to enjoy the space and to meet and chat with other people in the congregation*

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**Benefice Newsletter items: [derehamanddistrictteam@gmail.com](mailto:derehamanddistrictteam@gmail.com)  
deadline 11am Tuesday**