

# Hoxne Benefice Churches

Athelington Denham Horham  
Hoxne Redlingfield  
Syleham Wingfield



## August 2021 News

August 2021	1st August Trinity 9	8th August Trinity 10	15th August Trinity 11 Blessed Virgin Mary	22nd August Trinity 12	29th August Trinity 13
Athelington					
Denham				11am RC CW Holy Communion	Benefice Holy Communion + Baptism of Harry Lambert EG/JM
Horham			11.15am EG BCP Holy Communion Patronal Festival		
Hoxne	9.30am EG BCP Holy Communion	9.30am JM Café Church	9.30am JM CW Holy Communion	9.30am WW Matins	4pm EG All-age service using art from art workshops
Redlingfield		9.30am RC CW Holy Communion			
Syleham	No Messy Church in August		10am ML Village Service	9.30am AV BCP Holy Communion	
Wingfield	11am EG CW Holy Communion + Baptism of Charlie Lynch		6pm JM Evensong		

### Online services

Every Saturday and Sunday, Morning Prayer on [facebook.com/WingfieldChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WingfieldChurch), 8am  
Every Friday: Compline on Zoom at 6pm

Some services in church will also be live streamed or uploaded onto facebook.

On the rota above..... EG - Revd Eleanor Goodison JM - Revd John McCracken  
RC - Revd Richard Court ML - Mary Lewis JS - John Swann  
AV - Revd Canon Andrew Vessey WW - Wilf White

Copies of this newsletter are in churches.

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### Freedom and responsibility

The Church of England has issued guidance on the approach to church services now that all legal Covid 19 restrictions have been lifted. We have freedom to go back to 'normal', but we also have a responsibility to look after those who are cautious about doing so. These are the arrangements we propose to adopt in the Hoxne benefice.

For our normal Sunday services:

- masks are optional;
- people can decide where to sit, but we do ask everybody to be sensitive to anyone who prefers to maintain a social distance for the time being;
- we will sing hymns where people are comfortable with it;
- we will continue to exchange the Peace without physical contact (except for members of the same household);
- we are now allowed to offer the wine as well as the bread at Holy Communion. The clergy have agreed however that it is too soon for us all to be drinking from the same chalice.

Accordingly we will offer what is called "simultaneous administration" where the priest will briefly dip each wafer in the wine before placing it in each communicant's hand. The priest will not drink from the cup until everyone else has communicated.

We will designate one or two services each month as "extra-secure" and retain all the former precautions, for a trial period anyway, to allow those who are nervous about the removal of restrictions to worship in an environment which feels safe to them. This month the BCP Communion service at Hoxne on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August will be "extra-secure".

For larger services, such as the Lammas service on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August at Hoxne, we will make individual plans.

We will keep this approach under review. Any comments you have will be very welcome. We want everyone to be comfortable worshipping in church while taking advantage where we can of our new freedoms.

**Revd Eleanor Goodison**

*Revd Eleanor usually works Friday to Monday and is available for urgent matters on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday is her day off. Messages received on Thursday will normally be dealt with on Friday.*

## Sunday 1st August

**Car boot sale at Redlingfield** on Doorstep Green. 10am for sellers. 11am for buyers. For more details, please contact [alismith31@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:alismith31@hotmail.co.uk)

## Tuesday 3rd

**Coffee & Cake** Drop-in café at the Village Hall in Syleham, 10am-11.30am. Come with a friend or on your own for a friendly chat or to browse magazines and books. Monthly on first Tuesdays

## Rural coffee caravan

**Redlingfield: Wednesday 4th August**, (on Doorstep Green).

**Wingfield: Tuesday 17th August**, (Castle Crescent by the village sign). Both 10am to 12 noon. Come along for a warm welcome, coffee, cake, company, conversation and information. Although provided, feel free to bring your own chair and mug if you feel more comfortable.

## Wednesday 4th

**Annual Lammas Service at Hoxne**, 6pm, celebrating the first bread from the first grain of the harvest. Before the service, there will be a parade of tractors through Hoxne to the church. Come and welcome them. Hog roast and refreshments after the service. The collection will go to the Addington Fund, raising money for farming families in need. Please give generously.

## Sunday 8th

**Café Church for the benefice** will be back in church at Hoxne, 9.30am for 10am. Starts with coffee and croissants and moves through discussion to prayer and worship.

**No Messy Church or Bible study group in August. Back in September.**



## Wednesday 11th

**Art workshop for young people**, 12 yr olds and up. Come along to this free art workshop on the theme of God's created world: 10am to 4pm, Gatehouse Farm, Syleham Road, Hoxne, IP21 5BZ. Led by experienced art teachers. Picnic lunch provided. Covid precautions in place. Booking essential, as places are strictly limited to 15. Contact Revd Eleanor to book your place and for more details. The artwork made will be used at a special all-age service on Sunday 29th August.

## Saturday 21st

Hoxne Church monthly coffee mornings will be starting up again (hooray!!) on the third Saturday of each month, commencing at 9.45 am in the church. Tea, coffee and cake! Book stall, bring-and-buy, raffle. All welcome.

## August holidays

Revd Eleanor and Revd John will be taking holiday from the afternoon of Sunday 15th August to Saturday 29th August. They will be away from the benefice and will not be answering the phone or checking e-mails. If you have an administrative query, please e-mail [hoxnebeneficeoffice@gmail.com](mailto:hoxnebeneficeoffice@gmail.com). If you need a priest urgently, contact Revd Richard Court [rev.richard.court@icloud.com](mailto:rev.richard.court@icloud.com).

## Sunday 29th

All-Age service, 4pm in Hoxne church. Come and enjoy the artwork created by our young people at the summer art workshops in a specially designed service based on what they make.

## Advance notices.....

### Saturday 4th Sept

Hoxne Church Summer Fête, which is to be held from 2 - 5pm at Abbey Farm, Abbey Hill, Hoxne (Wilf's garden). There will be a tea tent, ice creams, cakes and produce for sale, plant & bric-a-brac stalls and games, crafts for children and tombolas and raffles.

Offers of help on the day and donations of goods and prizes - cakes, garden produce, plants, children's books, toys and games, good quality bric-a-brac, bottles (alcoholic and non-alcoholic), raffle prizes will be gratefully received.

For offers of help and for donations - 01379 668359, [cabbott364@gmail.com](mailto:cabbott364@gmail.com)

### Also Saturday 4th

A talk on the history of St Margaret's Church, Syleham, by Baroness Elaine Murphy, local historian. In the church, 6pm, with drinks and nibbles.

## Church contacts

Athelington: St Peter.	Colin Palmer 01728 628747
Denham: St John the Baptist.	Barbara Irwin 01379 669077, Hilary Castleden 01379 668458
Hoxne: St Peter & St Paul.	Guy McGregor 01379 668434, Wilf White 01379 668046
Horham: St Mary.	David Spall 01379 384239, Daphne Harvey 01379 384216
Redlingfield: St Andrew.	Hazel Abbott 01379 678217
Syleham: St Margaret.	Mary Lewis 01379 669258, Sarah Buckley 01379 668480
Wingfield: St Andrew.	Revd Eleanor Goodison 07876 143579

## Sunday 26th September

11am at Wingfield Church, Celebration of the feast of St Michael and All Angels. Revd Michael Womack will preach. Followed by drinks and nibbles.

## More advanced

Peter Demetriadi is planning to organise a church fête on Wingfield village green next year and would be grateful for help on an organising committee. Contact [peterdemetriadi@googlemail.com](mailto:peterdemetriadi@googlemail.com) if you would like to be involved. Thank you.

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