



Hoxne Benefice Churches

Athelington Denham Horham
Hoxne Redlingfield
Syleham Wingfield



August 2022 News

August is traditionally harvest time - although harvesting seems to have been going on for some weeks already. We give thanks for this, remembering those parts of the world where harvests are disrupted by climate change and war. It's also holiday time and it's no coincidence that the two come together. The long school summer holiday originally allowed children to help with the harvest. And families from the cities would take working holidays in the country to help with fruit and hop picking.

The Bible is full of references to harvest. Ruth and Naomi arrive in Jerusalem at the beginning of the barley harvest, and it is in the context of harvest that Ruth becomes known to Boaz, her future husband. They are to be the great-grandfather and great-grandmother of King David.

And who can forget the poetry of psalm 65:

*You crown the year with your bounty;
your wagon tracks overflow with richness.
The pastures of the wilderness overflow,
the hills gird themselves with joy,
the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,
the valleys deck themselves with grain,
they shout and sing together for joy.*

Jesus himself, as he sends out 70 disciples ahead of him, speaks of a harvest of people: "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest". Words which are picked up in the harvest hymn: "Grant, O harvest Lord, that we/wholesome grain and pure may be".

Whether you are harvesting, holidaying or preparing for a new school or university year, I wish you every blessing. **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 Thursday will normally be dealt with Friday.

If you need help or just want to chat, please contact us:

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August 2022	7th August Trinity 8	14th August Trinity 9	21st August Trinity 10	28th August Trinity 11
Athelington				
Denham				11am EG CW Holy Communion
Horham			11.15am JM BCP Holy Communion	
Hoxne	9.30am EG BCP Holy Communion	9.30am EG Café Church	9.30am JM CW Holy Communion	9.30am JS BCP Matins 4pm EG All age service
Redlingfield		9.30am RC CW Holy Communion		
Syleham	4pm ML+team Messy Church		10am ML Village Service	9.30am EG BCP Holy Communion
Wingfield	11am EG CW Holy Communion		6pm EG Evensong	

**Monday 1st August—Lammas Service,
6pm at Hoxne Church, followed by drinks
and a hog roast.**

On the rotas....

EG - Revd Eleanor Goodison

JM - Revd John McCracken

JS - John Swann ML - Mary Lewis

RA - Revd Rebecca Artiss

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.

For an invitation to Zoom services, please
email eleanor.goodison@gmail.com

Some church services also live streamed/
uploaded to [facebook.com/WingfieldChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WingfieldChurch).

Church contacts

Athelington: St Peter	Colin Palmer 01728 628747
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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

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Monday 1st

Our annual Lammas service in conjunction with the Addington Fund is at Hoxne Church at 6pm. We will be celebrating the first loaf from the first grain of the harvest and collecting for the Addington Fund's work with farming families in need. The service will be followed by drinks and a hog roast. Everyone is very welcome.

Tuesday 2nd

Coffee & Cake Drop-in café at the village hall in Syleham, 10 to 11.30am. Come with a friend or on your own for a friendly chat or to browse magazines and books.

Also No Little Lambs parent and toddler fun time until September - termtime only.

Tuesday 2nd and 16th

Bible Study Group meets at 7.30pm online on Zoom. We are currently looking at the prophets.

Wednesday 3rd

Rural coffee caravan at Redlingfield, village triangle, 10am to 12 noon. Features Hazel's delicious baking, as always.

Sunday 7th

Fête in aid of Wingfield Church to be held at Wingfield Barns from 12 noon to 4pm. Games, stalls, food: a good time to be had by all! Please come along to support us.

Sunday 7th

Messy Church will take the form of a picnic on J's meadow this month. 4pm as usual. Ideal for children aged 3-8 but younger and older siblings also welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Monday 15th

The Hoxne Mothers' Union Fellowship Group meets on the third Monday of the month, 2.30pm, Time House, Hoxne. You are also invited to Fressingfield MU's garden meeting in aid of the Summer of Hope Appeal, Thurs 4th August. New members always welcome. Contact Cathie McGregor, group leader on 01379 668434.

Tuesday 16th

Rural Coffee caravan at Castle Crescent, Wingfield, 10am to 12noon. All welcome.

Saturday 20th (and each third Saturday)

Friends of Hoxne Church coffee morning and book sale. 9.45 to 11.15am in the church. All welcome.

Wednesday 24th

Children's Club Create drama workshop at St Edmunds Hall, Hoxne. 10am to 3pm, picnic lunch provided. Designed for children aged 7-12, led by Denise Clark of Little Stars, Fressingfield. This will be a fun day working on a drama with singing and dancing on the theme of St Edmund. Please let Revd Eleanor know as soon as possible if your child would like to participate.

Hazel Abbott, Churchwarden in Redlingfield, has been shortlisted for a Radio Suffolk Making a Difference Volunteer award. You may have heard her being interviewed on the radio on Weds 20th July, but if you missed her you can still see her video at [facebook.com/bbcsuffolk](https://www.facebook.com/bbcsuffolk). The award winners will be announced at an awards ceremony in September.

Good luck, Hazel!

Looking ahead

Sunday 4th Sept

Produce Show and Harvest celebration at Redlingfield Doorstep Green.

Saturday 10th Sept

Suffolk Historic Churches Ride and Stride See below.

Sunday 11th Sept

11am Harvest Service, Athelington Church

Saturday 17th Sept

Come and join us for a look around our beautiful church, 10.30 – 12.30pm with coffee/tea/delicious scones/bakes, St Andrew's, Wingfield.

Saturday 24th Sept

Syleham harvest supper

Madeleine's painting at the Royal Academy!

Congratulations to Madeleine from Athelington! Madeleine, who is a regular at Messy Church, has a painting in the Young Artists' Summer Show at the Royal Academy. Her work was selected from thousands of entries to go on show in London and online. Go to <https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/exhibitions/2022/71726> to see her painting and vote in the People's Choice Award.

Are you thinking about being baptised or confirmed?

We have a small group of adults meeting regularly at present to prepare for baptism or confirmation. We would be delighted to welcome others to join in at any time to explore. You do not need to commit to baptism or confirmation until and unless you are ready.

Keep in touch!

Check out our [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/WingfieldChurch) pages: [facebook.com/WingfieldChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WingfieldChurch) or [facebook.com/athelingtonchurch](https://www.facebook.com/athelingtonchurch). <https://www.facebook.com/HoxneMC> For email newsletters from the diocese, email communications@cofesuffolk.org

[easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

It really is easy for anyone who shops online...**It costs you nothing and gives the benefice a percentage of everything you spend. So far, we have raised around £900 – so it is well worth it!** [easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hoxnebenefice](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hoxnebenefice).

Copies of this newsletter can be found in your church. If you prefer to receive yours by email, please contact Virginia Skoyles at hoxnebeneficeoffice@gmail.com

Ride + Stride, The Historic Churches Trust Sponsored bike ride on Sat 10th Sept

Please take part if you can - riding, walking or recording in your local church.

Half the money goes to your church and half to the Historic Churches Trust.

Local organisers:

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