

# Chet Valley Benefice Weekly News Letter



**Week Beginning Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March. 2009**

**Today's Services 2nd in Lent**

8am Holy Communion Hardly St. Margaret's

9.30am Holy Communion B.C.P. Chedgrave All Saint's

9.30am Informal Worship Loddon St. John's

10.45am Morning Worship Loddon St. John's ( Langley Students at Loddon)

6.30pm St. John's Praise and Worship.

**Today's Readings**

Gen. 17 v 1-7, 15-16; Rom. 4 v 13-end; Luke 10 v 25-37

**A Prayer before the Service**

EVER \_ FAITHFUL God, you were well pleased with Abraham's obedience and you accepted the sacrifice of your Son, who gave himself up for the sake of us all. Train us by Christ's teaching and school us in his obedience, that as we walk his way of sacrifice we may come to share in your glory. We ask this through Christ, our deliverance and hope, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever. AMEN.

**Items for Prayer**

Geoff Reeve as he continues to recover

May Plummer

The work of Christian Aid, who we support through our Lent Lunches.

Prayer and Praise this evening.



**Welcome to all Newcomers and Visitors**

Be sure to introduce yourself to our minister.

If you would prefer a private conversation you may ring

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**Morning Prayer**

Everyone welcome to Daily Services

Monday 9am St. Johns, Loddon

Tuesday 9am All Saints, Chedgrave

Wednesday 9am St. Margarets, Hardley

Thursday 9am St. Marys, Sisland

Friday 9am St. Johns, Loddon

*Normally someone leads these services, when no-one is there, please come into the church and enjoy peace with God.*

**Services for Next Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2009,3rd in Lent**

8am Holy Communion B. C. P. Chedgrave All Saint's

9.30am Service of the Word Chedgrave All Saint's

9.30am Morning Worship Sisland St. Mary's

**10.am** Holy Communion Loddon, (both congregations) followed by the A.P.C.M.

7pm Holy Communion Langley

**Dates for this Week**

Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> March. 7.30pm Alpha at Chedgrave

Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> March 10-12 noon, 31 Hillside, Monday Mardles including Book Swap.

Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm Study Group, Homebred Lane.

Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> March Assemblies at Infant and Junior Schools

Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> March. 12noon Lent Lunch St John's followed by Lent Study Group

Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> March. Lunch Club at Loddon Junior School

Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm Deanery Synod at St. Johns

Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> March 7.45pm Broom Farm House Group

Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> March 10am Holy Communion at Chedgrave.

Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> March 2pm Loddon F.G.P. at St. Johns

Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> March 7.45pm Cell/Lent Group 64, Cannell Rd.

Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am Clergy Chapter at Thurton

Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup> March 7.45pm Ministry Leadership Team at Chedgrave

### Church in Loddon Annual Church Meeting

This is next Sunday (15<sup>th</sup> March). As a result there will only be one service at Loddon next week at **10am**. The annual meeting will follow.

Geoff. Reeve has decided that he is not going to stand again for the church council this year. Our thanks go to him for all his service over many years. Please consider who you would like to nominate to the church council in his place. They must be on the electoral roll of the church and be over 16 years of age.

### Confirmation of Georgina Evans

Georgina has decided that she would like to be confirmed. This will take place at Norwich Cathedral on Easter Saturday during the Easter Vigil. Please pray for her. All are welcome to attend the service. More details nearer the time.

### Arrow Leadership Training Course - Nigel

I am pleased to be able to let you know that I have been accepted on the Arrow Leadership Training Course run by CPAS (a Church of England Mission Organisation). The training is for church leaders under 40 yrs. (I have just squeezed in!) and lasts for 18 months. It involves 4 week long residentials - in May and October this year and March and June 2010, and various projects. I am grateful to the support of the church councils of the Benefice in supporting my application. If you want to know more please speak to me.

### Future dates for your diary

Tues. 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> Mar. 12 noon - 1.30pm Lent Lunches followed by Lent Group

### Lent 2009

This year we are once more following the "Love Life, Live Lent" series and our sermons will be based around this theme. Booklets are available for all the congregations. There is a Lent Course, "Love Life, Live Lent." on a Tuesday afternoon immediately following the Lent Lunches and at 64, Cannell Road Wed. 7.45pm each week throughout Lent. Please do come.

### Hardley Quiz and Chips Night

All are invited to a Quiz and Chips at Hardley Village Hall on March 28<sup>th</sup> 7pm to help us raise funds for repairs to the tower. Teams of 4 - £6.50 per person including Fish and Chips. Please contact the church office to book your place.

Bar and refreshments also available

### Global Day of Prayer Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> May 6.30pm

Pentecost Sunday - hosted by the Cathedral, the third Norwich Global Day of Prayer. "A time in which many find a place where they can pray with other Christians"



### Chedgrave African Weekend.

There will be a planning meeting on Tue. 24<sup>th</sup> Mar. at 3.30pm at 31, Hillside to start to plan the African weekend at All Saints on 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> July. Everyone welcome and as many ideas as possible please. Many thanks. Shirleyanne

### Holy Week 2009-02-25

This year we are transforming the St. John's Chapel into a meditative prayer Labyrinth from Palm Sunday April 5<sup>th</sup> (12 noon) until Wed. evening April 8<sup>th</sup>. We need volunteers who are prepared to look after the Labyrinth. Sign up sheets available soon.

### South Lowestoft Methodist Church Anniversary

On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am, preacher Rev. Alan Ashton (Cambridge), then at 2pm Floral Art Demonstration "From Wilderness to Glory". Alan is a well known national flower arranger and ex Sheringham Flower Festival Organiser. Tickets £5 from Keith Durrant Te. 01502 562893 Donation from profit to a Palastine Charity. A warm welcome to all.

### Chedgrave Clear Up!

Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 10 - 12 noon, do please join the team to clear the churchyard after the Winter, ready for the new Season.

### Join Graham Kendrick for a Music Day.



Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April. Enjoy a day with this well known musician and hymn writer. Cost £8 per person if booked by 31<sup>st</sup> March. or £10 thereafter. Booking forms from [www.norwich.anglian.org/calendar/e1002](http://www.norwich.anglian.org/calendar/e1002) or phone 01603 729818. WELL WORTH GOING.

### Fund Raising for our Churches

First go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/register> After registering chose your church as your good cause. Happy Shopping.

Items for inclusion in next week's letter to be at the Benefice Office by Wednesday 11th March. 12noon with your name on in case of any queries please.