

Chet Valley Benefice Weekly News Letter



Week Beginning Sunday 24th May 2009 Easter 7

Today's Service

9.30am Holy Communion Chedgrave All Saints
9.30am Informal Worship Loddon St. Johns
10.30am Morning Worship Hardley St. Margarets
10.45am Morning Worship Loddon Holy Trinity
2.30pm Saxon House.

Today's Readings

Acts 1 v 15-17; 21-end; 1 John 5v 9-13; John 17 v 6-19.

A Prayer before the Service

God of power and might, in the mystery of the Ascension you have raised up and glorified your Son, and exalted our humanity at your right hand. Confirm the good news your Church proclaims, so that when Christ returns in glory all nations may be gathered into the kingdom, where he lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

For the families and friends of all those who have been bereaved.
For Richard Seel and all those planning for the New Café church in Loddon
For all our young people in the area
Ruby Young's Baptism Anniversary 20.05.07
Kurtis Newman's Baptism Anniversary 18.05.08
Archie Mayhew's Baptism Anniversary 25.05.08
Lilly-May Southerby's Baptism Anniversary 25.05.08
Maureen Redding who is having a knee operation on May 26th.

Welcome to all Newcomers and Visitors

Be sure to introduce yourself to our minister.
If you would prefer a private conversation you may ring
Nigel 520251; Robert 01502 584809; Janet 520354; Richard 521938;
Sarah Woodger (Youth Worker) 07530 803363.



Please note days that clergy are unavailable, so that you can phone one that is on duty for your needs. Nigel Evans Friday; Richard Seel Friday; Janet Wyer Monday
Website, including events diary: www.chetvalleychurches.org
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Benefice Office Telephone: 521179

The Benefice Office in St. Johns Chapel for all Enquiries, Baptisms and Weddings.
Open Monday - Friday 9am -12noon and 1-4pm

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 31st May 2009 Pentecost

10am Benefice Service Holy Communion Loddon Holy Trinity followed by a 'Bring and Share' lunch(Nigel's last Sunday before Sabbatical).

Dates For this Week

Wed. 27th May Bosnian Coffee Morning with Daphne and Barry Gibson at 9 Sycamore Close Loddon.

Wed. 27th May 10am Holy Communion at Chedgrave All Saint's.

Wed. 27th May 7.45pm Cell Group at 64, Cannell Road. All welcome.

Future dates for your diary



Sun. 31st May 10am **Benefice Service** for Pentecost at Holy Trinity Please note that there will be no other services this week.

Sunday 31st May We will celebrate the birth of the church as a Benefice at Holy Trinity at 10am. Please note there will be no other services that week. It is also the last Sunday before Nigel goes on Sabbatical the following day. It would be good to share food and fellowship after the service - please bring food to share.

20st-21st June Exhibition of Photos, Drawings, Paintings inspired by the local landscape, at St Mary's Sisland

26th, 27th, 28th June Flower Festival, (Wedding Anniversaries,) with Loddon Singers on the Friday at 7.30pm at St. Margaret's Hardley Church

3rd,4th,5th, July A little bit of Africa with dinner on 3rd; Exhibition & Fete on 4th and Xpressions Café on 5th at All Saint's Chedgrave.

27th May Bosnian Coffee Morning with Daphne and Barry Gibson at 9, Sycamore Close, Loddon.

Sun. 31st May Pentecost Sunday at the Cathedral 6.30pm
Global Day of Prayer- a wonderful event.
Mon. 1st June Nigel begins Sabbatical
Tues. 1st Sept. Nigel returns from Sabbatical
3rd-5th July African Weekend at All Saints Chedgrave



11th/12 July Scarecrow Festival Weekend (scarecrows at work, rest and play) trips up the tower, parachuting teddies etc at Holy Trinity Church.
10th-14th Aug. Holiday Club (info. A.Ball 528126 or e-mail ball880am@btinternet.com)

Scarecrow Festival

We still require people to help with the stalls on Saturday - if anyone from the Church in Loddon can help please speak to Karen ASAP. In Nigel's absence, Karen along with the social committee, have taken on the burden of organising this event - to help ease it please do consider how you might help.



COMING SOON
XPRESSIONS
CAFÉ
LODDON SEPT.20th

Helpers Needed

In the Sanctuary for Holy Communion as chalice administrators etc and also for Home Communion. We also need Vestry Stewards. Please speak to Janet Wyer or Audrey Cox if you feel you can offer your services in this important capacity.

Friends and Neighbours

Friends and Neighbours have seats spare on Coach Trips if anyone is interested in a day out. Thurs. 4th June to Southwold and Thurs. 2nd July to Sheringham to the Flower Festival and Free Time. Please contact Joan Evans 528656 or Janet Hathaway 520947

Sabbatical Arrangements 1st June - 31st August

Nigel has now arranged most of his visits while on Sabbatical. He will spend some time in the South and South West visiting churches and Fresh Expressions Leaders and in the North of England doing the same. He is also hoping to meet with Rt. Revd. Graham Cray, the National Director of Fresh Expressions.

While he is away he will not be answering his phone or e-mail. For all enquiries please call in at the Benefice office or ring; 01508 521 179
e-mail: office@chetvalleychurches.org

Contact: Janet Wyer (520354) day off Monday or Richard Seel (521938) day off Friday.

Thank you

I would like to say a word or two of thanks. First to Nigel for his kind words about my small contribution to the worship of the local church over the past nine years. Sometime ago I let it be known to him and Bishop David that I thought it a good time to cease leading worship on July 5th. I have thoroughly enjoyed this ministry, made so rewarding because of the friendship of the church members. I am looking forward to continuing in a pastoral role.

Secondly, I would like to thank everyone for an extremely generous and unexpected gift given to me in Rogation Sunday. The cheque for £300.00 will be used to buy something of lasting use, probably a telescope for bird-watching. Thank you all so very much. Barry Rodwell

Summer Concert by

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Sunday June 7th
at 7pm

St. Mary's Church
Sisland

Tickets £4, £2 (children)

Available from the Benefice Office,
George Lane, Loddon
Or on the door.

MISSION: ENGLAND

TWENTY FIVE YEARS ON

From June 1984 Dr Billy Graham preached to 63,000 people at Carrow Road.
Saturday 6th June 7.30-9pm Special Anniversary at Norwich Cathedral.
Information www.networknorfolk.co.uk

Items for inclusion in next week's letter to be at the Benefice Office by Wednesday 27th May 12noon with your name on in case of any queries please.