Aug 2026	Sun 2nd Aug Trinity 9	Sun 9th Aug Trinity 10	Sun 16th Aug Trinity 11	Sun 23rd Aug Trinity 12	Sun 30th Aug Trinity 13
Athelington	9.30am EG CW Holy Communion				
Denham				11am JM CW Holy Communion	
Horham			11.15am EG BCP Holy Communion		
Hoxne	9.30am JM BCP Holy Communion	9.30 for 10am Café Church EG	9.30am EG CW Holy Communion	11am EG CW Holy Communion 4pm EG All Age service	
Redlingfield		9.30am JM CW Holy Communion			
Syleham	4pm Team Messy Church Syleham & Wingfield village hall		9.30am JM Village service	9.30am EG BCP Holy Communion	11am EG Benefice Holy Communion
Wingfield	11am JM CW Holy Communion		6pm JM Evensong		

Online Services
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.

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It's not whether you win or lose…...

Sport has been very much in our minds this summer, with the World Cup, Wimbledon and now the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow. Sadly, but perhaps inevitably these days, some of the events have been overshadowed by politics. The three Olympic values of excellence, respect and friendship have not always been in evidence. It was the American sports writer Grantland Rice who came up with the line, "It's not whether you win or lose, it's how you play the game" in his 1908 poem, Alumnus Football. The effort to do your best is more important than merely winning.

Messy Church will be holding a sports afternoon at its meeting on Sunday 2nd August when we will be hoping to uphold the spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play through the medium of the egg and spoon race! Competition encourages our effort but just as important is enjoying and using for good our God-given physical strength and skill at whatever level they may be. St Paul says in his first letter to the Corinthians: *"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body."*
If you are on holiday this month, enjoy the rest and relaxation of both body and mind and come back refreshed to use both for good. *Revd Eleanor*

Revds Eleanor and John have annual leave 31st August to 10th September.
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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Saturday 1st

Our annual Lammas Service, celebrating the first bread from the first grain of the harvest, will be held at Hoxne church at 6pm. Followed by refreshments and a hog roast. Collection in aid of the Addington Fund farming charity. Everyone very welcome.

Sunday 2nd

Messy Church will take the form of a sports afternoon on J's meadow, Syleham, this month, weather permitting. 4pm as usual, with scrummy tea in the village hall afterwards. Designed for children aged 3-7 with parents/carers and siblings but all welcome.

Tuesday 4th

Coffee and 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.

Wednesday 5th

The Rural Coffee Caravan is at the village triangle, Redlingfield from 10am to 12 noon. Come along for coffee, tea and chat.

And **Wednesday 5th** and every Weds **Coffee and delicious eats** in Horham Old School from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Come and meet your friends and neighbours.

Sunday 9th

Our friends at **The Depperhaugh** are holding their annual fête this afternoon. Do try and go along to support them.

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Wednesday 12th

The Community Lunch Club meets again at Hoxne Village Hall, 11am to 1.30pm. Come for coffee and stay for lunch, served between 12 noon and 1pm. All ages welcome from 0-99 and beyond! Toys and craft activities for children. No need to book: for further info, call 01379 668359. A suggested donation of £5 to cover costs would be very welcome.

Fridays 14th and 28th

We will be singing hymns and saying prayers at **The Depperhaugh** at 2.30pm. The residents really appreciate our visits and it would be lovely to have more people join us.

Saturday 15th

Coffee morning and book sale at Hoxne church from 9.45 to 11.15am. All welcome.

Saturday 15th

Come along for a fascinating talk about the **history of Redlingfield** given by local residents Linda and Steve. Enjoy an afternoon of stories and nostalgia, with an opportunity to ask questions. Refreshments available. Just £5 entry: all proceeds towards maintenance of St Andrew's church. 2 to 4pm at Redlingfield church. For more info contact Hayley on 07929 348421 or redlingfieldchurch@gmail.com.

Tuesday 18th

The Coffee Caravan will be at Wingfield Barns from 10am to 12 noon for coffee, cake and chat, plus council and community police advice in an informal atmosphere.

Wednesday 19th

Our summer session of **Club Create** will be held from 10am to 2pm in Syleham and Wingfield Village Hall. We will be making entries again for the Hoxne Flower, Craft and Produce Show; jam tarts, junk modelling and artwork of your choice – lots of scope! All kids aged 7-12 will be very welcome; book your place with Revd Eleanor.

Saturday 22nd

We will be launching **The Friends of Wingfield Church** with an illustrated talk on 'Angel Roofs' by Sarah Cassell at 7.30pm in Wingfield church. Refreshments to follow. Suggested donation £10 in aid of Wingfield Church Appeal Fund. To find out more about The Friends of Wingfield Church, get in touch with Revd Eleanor or pick up a leaflet in the church.

Youth Café

Our joint camp fire event with the Scouts had to be cancelled due to extreme weather. We are aiming to rearrange in August. If your high school age child would like to come along, please contact Revd Eleanor.

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facebook.com/athelingtonchurch
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Waveney Foodbank
Together with Trussell

Please don't forget - 07484 394749



Ride and Stride

Contact your local volunteer to register your interest…….

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