

What's Happening in the Benefice and Diocese:

We will be holding a Confirmation Service on Sunday 18th March in Ash. If anyone in the Benefice would like to be confirmed please contact Rev. David or Rev. Chris. Please add this date in your diaries as Bishop Trevor will be coming and it will be a great service to come and support those being confirmed.

The Benefice Forum has decided that we will make a special effort in having a Benefice Service every 5th Sunday in 2018. The first Benefice service will be Sunday 29th April at Holy Cross, Goodnestone. We hope to have the choirs from within the Benefice singing at this event.

The Diocese will be hosting a Children's Spirituality Course for anyone who ministers with children or young people on the 23rd January at Diocesan House. For more information contact Shannon at shannonpemberton@hotmail.com

There will be a Safe Guarding Training Course for Lay people held at Seasalter Christina Centre on Saturday 20th January from 10 am until 1 pm. This is now an essential requirement for anyone who is in contact with children and vulnerable adults within the church community. Such as club leaders, organists, etc.. Please contact Shannon for more information.

People in the Benefice to pray for this week:

Angela Newall, Sarah Luckhurst, Nigel Cousins, Richard Greenwood, Robin Bailey, Chris Elvin, Vera Freer, Ruth Bond, Russell and Sally Wright, Mike Bushell, Una & Haydon Rouse, Marjorie Foard, Anna Maynard, Rhoda Duplock, and Angela Newton

Please note:
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St. Nicholas' Website
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If you would like a notice included in this Benefice new sheet, please contact Shannon at shannonpemberton@hotmail.com



The Churches within the Canonry Benefice

(Ash, Wingham, Goodnestone, Chillenden, Nonington, Elmstone, Preston, and, Stourmouth,)

A very warm welcome to everyone at our services today. Please join us after the service for a cup of coffee and biscuits.

Readings for today:
Isa. 60:1-6; Ps. 72:1-7.10-14;
Eph. 3:1-12; Matt. 2:1-12

Today's Prayer:

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God. Now and for ever.

This Sunday 7th January

8.00 am	Holy Communion, Ash
9.00 am	Holy Communion, Chillenden
9.30 am	Holy Communion, Elmstone
10.30 am	All Age Worship, Ash
11.00 am	Holy Communion, Nonington
11.00 am	Family Service, Wingham

This week at a glance:

Tuesday 9th January

18.00 Prayer Meeting - Ash
19.30 Bell Ringers Practice - Wingham

Wednesday 10th January

10.00 Church Café - Ash
16.00 Prayer Meeting - Wingham
19.30 Leadership Meeting - Ash

Thursday 11th January

14.30 Daytime Bible Study - Wingham

Friday 12th January

11.15 Home Group - Wingham

Today's Hymns:

Wingham to be announced

Elmstone to be announced

Next Sunday 14th January

8.00 am	Holy Communion, Ash
9.00 am	Holy Communion, Goodnestone
9.30 am	Holy Communion, Preston
10.30 am	Holy Communion, Ash
11.00 am	Holy Communion, Wingham
15.00 pm	Messy Church, Ash

Notices within the Benefice:

We hope that you like the new look for our Canonry Benefice News sheet. We would appreciate any feedback you might have. Please direct your comments or suggestions to the Benefice Administrator, Shannon, at shannonpemberton@hotmail.com.

St. Mary's Wingham will be holding Tiny Tots for parents, carers, and pre-school aged children from 2 until 3 pm and Messy Fridays for parents and school aged children from 3.30 to 4.30 pm on the 19th January, 23rd February, and the 23rd March. Come and join the fun!

Everyone is welcome to come along for a cup of coffee, tea, and cakes at The Church Café, which is held every Wednesday at St. Nicholas' Church in Ash from 10.00 am until 11.30 am.

The next Benefice Men's Breakfast will be held at 9am on Saturday 27 January, and it will be held at Beechgrove, Nonington (thanks to the

generosity of Tim Clement and the Bruderhof Community).

St. Nicholas' Church is collecting collecting used stamps in aid of Kent, Surrey, Sussex Air Ambulance. There is a box at the back of St. Nicholas' Church in Ash. Many thanks for your kind donations for this worthy cause!

St. Nicholas' Church in Ash will be resuming Messy Church next Sunday the 14th January. The theme this week will be 'Stairway to Heaven'. Please feel free to come along and join us for crafts, games, and stories and a 'Bring and Share' tea.

If you would like to receive this news sheet via email on a weekly basis, please contact Shannon at shannonpemberton@hotmail.com with your email address.

Many thanks to the congregation at All Saints Chillenden for hosting the Benefice Service last Sunday. It was good to see so many from our Benefice churches at this service.