

THE UNITED BENEFICE OF KELVEDON AND FEERING

*Benefice Website*

## KELVEDON & FEERING CHURCHES NEWSLETTER WITH COPFORD & EASTHORPE

SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY to SUNDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025

### SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY – The THIRD SUNDAY after TRINITY

8.00 am	St Mary's	Said Holy Communion (1662 Prayer Book)
9.30 am	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion
11.00 am	St Mary's	Worship For All Service
6.00 pm	St Mary's Easthorpe	Sung Evensong

### ST MARY'S FETE IS HERE! THIS SATURDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2-5pm

We look forward very much to welcoming you to our traditional Church Fete, with all your favourite stalls and side-shows: Bottle & Chocolate Tombolas, Grand Raffle, Cakes & Preserves, Plants, Beer Tent, BBQ, Children's Stalls, Crockery Smash, Welly Throwing, Giant Marble Run, Splat the Rat... & new this year: Guess How Many Balloons in Sara's Car!



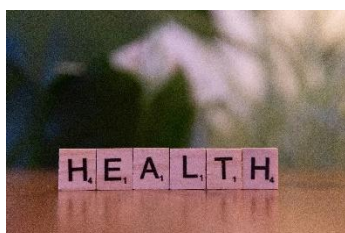
Any last-minute donations tomorrow morning must be in the churchyard by 12 noon at the latest. Setting-up starts at 10am. Thank you so much for your support, and see you there!!

### ST MARY'S WORSHIP FOR ALL, THIS SUNDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY at 11.00 am: "Ain't no mountain..."

Join us as Junior Christian Club members tell us about their Three Peaks adventure. If you haven't paid your donation, then please give it to [Natasha](#) or [Simon](#). If you're coming and your child would like a craft bag, please let [Geraldine](#) know as soon as possible.



### HEALTH SCREENING at EASTHORPE CHURCH HALL, SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 10 am – 3 pm

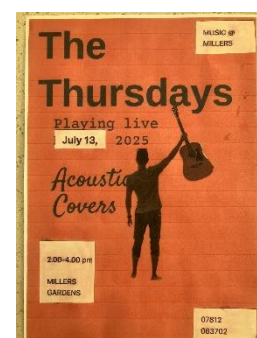


Health checks carried out by professional medical volunteers, plus two physiotherapists to give massages to help with shoulder and back pain, will be available on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July. This friendly and informative session is provided by Praveen & Mercy Cherian – [praveenjacobcherian@yahoo.com](mailto:praveenjacobcherian@yahoo.com). It's also raising funds for the church, so all donations will be much appreciated. The

easiest way to Easthorpe is via Messing: St Mary's Church, Easthorpe Road, Easthorpe CO5 9HD.

### 'THE THURSDAYS' PLAYING on SUNDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY in CHURCH STREET...

Local acoustic band **THE THURSDAYS** will be playing two 30-35 minute acoustic sets next Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July between 2-4 pm in the relaxed setting of the courtyard of **Miller's Gardens, Church Street, Kelvedon CO5 9AH**. If you were lucky enough to enjoy their fundraising gig in Porters Farm Barn in April last year, you'll know how good they are: the perfect band for a relaxed summer Sunday afternoon. Please bring your own chairs, drinks & nibbles. **All donations in aid of St Mary's Church.**





## 'A PILGRIMAGE OF SONG' – SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY, FEERING TO TIPTREE

Join **CANTUS FIRMUS CHOIR** and their friends for a musical walking tour, singing a short service in every church they visit. It starts with a workshop at 10.15 am in All Saints' Feering to learn the music for the whole day, followed by the first short service at Feering at 11.45 am. Then to St Mary's Kelvedon (either walking or by car) for lunch and the second service at 1.45 pm; then to All Saints' Inworth, ending the day at St Luke's Tiptree. Full details of the day are on the Cantus Firmus website here: [Pilgrimage of Song Tiptree](#).

## ALSO SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY: ORTHODOX MONASTERY 'OPEN DOOR' from 2.00 pm

Did you know that the largest Orthodox Monastery in Western Europe is a few miles from Tiptree? It's probably one of Essex's best-kept secrets. The Monastery of St John the Baptist is in Tolleshunt Knights (Rectory Road, CM9 8EZ) and has just built a new, larger chapel for their community's worship – by all accounts it is very beautiful. The Monastery is a remarkable place, so if you'd like to visit it on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> please contact [Simon](#) as he is intending to go. You can find out more about the monastery here: [About Us | Monastery of St John the Baptist](#).

## 'GRAVE TALK' – SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 3.00-4.30 pm, in KELVEDON INSTITUTE SMALL HALL

Do you have questions or concerns about death, dying and funerals that you'd like to explore, but know how to start? Come and join us at 'Grave Talk' – a friendly and relaxed café space to chat with others about all those topics we find hard to discuss. For people of all faiths and doubts. Natasha led a similar session a couple of years ago at the Cricket Club that was very warmly received by everyone who came. Do contact [Natasha](#) if you'd like to know more.

Kelvedon Institute (small hall)  
Saturday 26th July 3-4.30pm



## TIPTREE FOOD BANK –

### [Tiptree Food Bank | Tiptree | Facebook](#)

**Our Food Bank needs: jam, tinned meat, baked beans, tinned potatoes, long-life fruit juice, deodorant, shampoo, kitchen cleaner, bathroom cleaner, washing-up liquid, laundry detergent, toilet cleaner. All donations of these and other items gratefully received.** The Food Bank's general list is on the left if you'd like it to hand. Thanks once again to Jill & Betty, who collect all your donations and take them to Tiptree.



## SERVICE FOR ALL FOUR CHURCHES – ST MARY'S KELVEDON, SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 10.00 am

You will know by now that changes are happening for all our parishes, and to mark this we will be having a Holy Communion service for all four churches in our 'Cluster' on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July at **10 am** in St Mary's Kelvedon. We hope the full 'new clergy team' will be there as we begin a new period in the life of our four churches.

Also: we have visiting and interview days for the new Team Vicar post for the 'Waterside Churches' of Tollesbury, Salcott, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Tolleshunt Major and Layer de la Haye on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> and Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July**. We are hopeful that we will be able to make an appointment for this post. Please pray for the candidate and for all those involved in the interview – including Simon, in his role as Area Dean.

## ***KEEPING UP WITH K & F (and C & E)***

For this Newsletter, please send items to [Simon Garwood](#) by **Wednesday** please for that week.

Keep up to date with service times, events & info about K & F via our **United Benefice website**: [kelvedonandfeeringchurches.co.uk](http://kelvedonandfeeringchurches.co.uk). For the Website, please send church info, photos & events on both parishes to [Sarah Openshaw](#). Thank you.

### **BENEFACTORY DIARY: SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY to SUNDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025**

SATURDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	2.00-5.00 pm	St Mary's	CHURCH FETE
SUNDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	8.00 am	St Mary's	Said Holy Communion ( <i>Book of Common Prayer</i> )
TRINITY 3	9.30 am	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion
	11.00 am	St Mary's	Worship for All Service
	10.00 am – 3.00 pm	Easthorpe Church	Free Health Screening ( <i>see bottom of pg. 1</i> )
	6.00 pm	St Mary's Easthorpe	Sung Evensong ( <i>Book of Common Prayer</i> )

***\*Natasha is away on leave after morning services on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>, returning on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July***

Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	2.00 pm	All Saints'	PCC Meeting in Church
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30 am	St Mary's	Teddy Bear Club
	10.30 am – 12 noon	St Michael's Copford	Coffee Morning
	4.15 pm	St Mary's	Junior Christian Club
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	8.30 am	St Mary's	Morning Prayer
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30 am 12 noon	Interview for new Team Vicar post – <i>please hold in your prayers</i>	
SUNDAY 13 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	9.30 am	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion
TRINITY 3	10.30 am	St Michael's Copford	Pet Service
	11.00 am	St Mary's	Sung Holy Communion
	2.00 – 4.00 pm	THE THURSDAYS play Miller's Gardens, Church Street, Kelvedon CO5 9AH	

### **ADVANCED NOTICE**

Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	From 10.15 am	'Pilgrimage of Song' in Feering, Kelvedon, Inworth & Tiptree Churches	
	From 2.00 pm	Tolleshunt Knights Monastery: Open Afternoon	
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00 am	St Mary's Kelvedon	Sung Holy Communion Service for All Four Churches

To **unsubscribe** from this Newsletter please click [here](#) and our Administrator Fleur will remove your name.