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June / July 2025

**All Age Family Service**

Fourth Sunday of every month

(see church services page inside for details)



**'Open the Book' storytelling**



**Craft activity**



**Refreshments**

**Everyone Welcome**

Any contributions for the August/September magazine issue please  
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[Lauren.radwell@btinternet.com](mailto:Lauren.radwell@btinternet.com) by Saturday 5th July 2025.

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*A message from our Authorised Lay Minister*

## **ASCENSION**

Thursday 29th May is Ascension Day, the day on which we commemorate Jesus' ascension into heaven.

I have often tried to picture what it must have been like to be one of the disciples standing around in awe as Christ was transformed into a glowing being and lifted up, as if by a cloud, into heaven. Even more extraordinary was the appearance of two angels, who revealed that Christ would come again in glory, glowing, riding on a cloud. How did the disciples feel? I wonder if their brains, like mine, were completely boggled by the idea of Christ, the man, being lifted up in glory.

In the New Testament of the Bible we have stories of Jesus' time on Earth. We hear about the miracles he performed. We read the truths he tries to teach us. We are amazed and overjoyed that he came to Earth and lived among us as a man, fully experiencing what it is to be human, so that he might save us. He knew our joys and sorrows. He knew death. Then, most extraordinary of all, he rose from the dead and is alive. He gave us the gift of eternal life and left his holy spirit to dwell inside us; to help us, to guide us and strengthen us. Can you feel it?

Why not come along to one of our Sunday services, sing some songs of celebration and experience our joyful fellowship with refreshments afterwards. I can guarantee the Holy Spirit will be there!

*Vicki Smith, Authorised Lay Minister in the Benefice of the Fen Orchards.*



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## Latest News

Wow... what a busy Spring it has been here at the Sportsman! We are thrilled to announce the launch of our brand new food menu, featuring a mix of traditional pub favourites and modern twists that are already winning rave reviews. Alongside this we have also unveiled our new website - designed to make it easier than ever to check what is on and browse our offerings, including our new afternoon teas.

It's all part of our commitment to bringing you a better, more connected pub experience here at the Sportsman. We can not wait to welcome you!

### Key Dates For June & July

- **Quiz Nights - 7pm start**      3rd & 17th June, 1st, 15th & 29th July  
(new quiz food-menu available 5-8pm)
- **Senior Meal Lunch Specials**      Every Wednesday 12pm-3pm
- **NEW Afternoon Teas Available**      At Least 48 Hours Booking Notice  
Required (Contact Us For More Details)
- **Father's Day Lunch**      Sunday 15th June (booking advised)
- **LIVE MUSIC - 80s Party Night**  
With Vanessa Knight      Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June, From 8:30pm

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<u>Lunchtimes</u>	<u>Food Times:</u>	<u>Evening</u>
Tues.-Sun. 12pm-3pm		Tues.-Thurs. 5pm-8pm* Fri.-Sat. 6pm-9pm

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## Church Services in the Fen Orchards Benefice



### June

**1st Sunday Worship at St Edmund's Emneth 10:30am**

**8th Pentecost Service at All Saints' Elm 10:30am**

**15th Trinity Sunday Service at St Mark's Fridaybridge 10:30am**

**22nd Family Service at St Mark's Fridaybridge 10.30am**

**29th Combined Benefice Service at St Peter's Upwell 10.00am**

**PLEASE NOTE EARLIER START TIME**

### July

**6th Sunday Worship at St Edmund's Emneth 10:30am**

**13th Family Service with Baptism at All Saints Elm 10.30am**

**20th Sunday Worship at St Mark's Fridaybridge 10:30am**

**27th Family Service at St Edmund's Emneth 10.30am**



Please check the church notice board to confirm all services or visit our web page at [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com).

For enquiries about Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals or Churchyard Memorials please contact Mrs J Feaviour-Clarke, Church warden on 01945 587385.

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## Do you have book-keeping or accounting skills?

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The role of PCC Treasurer is a very important one: you will be responsible for overseeing the church finances and ensuring that the PCC conforms to Charity Commission rules. The Treasurer does not need to be an accountant but they do need to be reasonably financially competent and have the ability to maintain basic accounts as well as having both honesty and enthusiasm to want to do the job. You do not necessarily have to be a churchgoer.

If you are interested in contributing to your local community and helping to keep the church up and running please contact Angie at [elmpcc.treasurer@outlook.com](mailto:elmpcc.treasurer@outlook.com)

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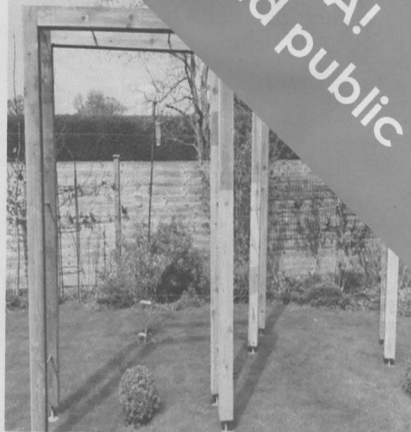
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## CONCERT FOR ST GEORGE'S DAY

Around 30 people enjoyed an evening of songs and music at Elm Church on Friday 25th April in celebration of St George's Day.

The Clarkson Singers, along with their musical director James Trundle, performed a mixture of English songs and music, classical, traditional and modern. There was certainly something for everyone! Just over £300 was raised towards church funds.

It is hoped that this can become an annual event to celebrate St George's Day in the village of Elm



## Village Dates for your diary:

- \* **Elm W.I.** - meetings are the last Monday of every month at The Pavilion, Begdale Road, Elm at 7pm.

24th June—Card Making with Pauline Rayner

29th July — Members' Night: activity to be advised

New members always welcome – please contact Amanda Jane Rider on 07972 458022

- ♦ **Friends of Elm & Emneth Towpath (FEET)** are a group of volunteers who help to maintain part of the Old Canal Towpath between Elm Bridge at the top of Chapel Lane and Collett's Bridge.

**Working parties meet from September through to April on the 3rd Saturday of every month.** If you are interested in joining us, please email Ian Jones at [scagell\\_jones@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:scagell_jones@hotmail.co.uk)

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So far this year we have had a very amusing talk from Len Priestley, 'True Stories of a Lorry Driver & Furniture Removal Man', an informative and friendly evening with Coggles Funeral Directors, a wood-turning demonstration from Simon, Blended Monkey, Upwell, and our version of Antiques Roadshow with Stephen Drake from Stephen Drake Valuations.

We meet the last Monday of every month (the date changes when it's a bank holiday Monday, so it's best to check) between 7pm and 9pm, you will always find a warm welcome.

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