KELVEDON & FEERING CHURCHES NEWSLETTER WITH COPFORD & EASTHORPE

United Benefice of Kelvedon & Feering Website St Michael & All Angels Website St Mary's, Easthorpe
A Church Near You

SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2025 - SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2025

Services for Sunday 14th September 2025			
9.30 a.m.	Sung Holy Communion Service	All Saints', Feering	
10.30 a.m.	All Age Worship Service	St Michael & All Angels, Copford	
11.00 a.m.	Sung Holy Communion Service	St Mary's, Kelvedon	

News from our four Churches...

WHAT CAN I DO THIS WEEKEND?



Natasha's Farewell Parties - It is Natasha's last weekend with us and we shall all miss her greatly. Natasha's tireless enthusiasm and commitment to both Kelvedon & Feering has benefited all of us. We are therefore holding not one, but two Farewell Events for her. After Natasha has taken her final service in our Benefice (11 a.m. St Mary's, Kelvedon), there will be refreshments and an opportunity to say our goodbyes. Everyone from all four of our churches is warmly invited to Feeringbury Manor (CO5 9RB) on Sunday 14th September at 5.00 pm for refreshments and to wish Tasha and her family well before they move to Fulham.



MAINTENANCE OF ST MARY'S KELVEDON CHURCHYARD AND BURIAL GROUND BY SARAH OPENSHAW



For several years the Community Payback Team, through the Probation Service, has helped maintain our churchyard and burial ground. Their visits once weekly, have gradually reduced, as the Probation Service has struggled to recruit supervisors. At present, the team can only come once a month through the autumn. While St Mary's will do it's best at other times to keep the grounds tidy, standards may slip at times and we ask for your understanding. Hopefully with new supervisors in place next spring, more regular visits will resume.



LAST CALL (ALMOST!) FOR COACH TO NATASHA'S WELCOME SERVICE - SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER

Please contact **Simon** or **Adrienne** if you would like to go.

SUGGESTIONS PLEASE...it's your Newsletter so feel free to share your feedback (good or bad!) with Fleur.

HARVEST FESTIVAL LUNCH, (KELVEDON & FEERING) SUNDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER, 12.45 for 1.00 pm



This year's annual Benefice Harvest Lunch will be in All Saints' on Sunday 28th September, following our 9.30 & 11.00 am Harvest Festival Services. It will be a Ploughman's Lunch, with tea & coffee served afterwards. We would be very grateful for donations of puddings. Cost: £15 adults, £5 children. Sign-up sheets are will available in both All Saints' and St Mary's.



ST MARY'S, EASTHORPE & ST MICHAEL'S, COPFORD HARVEST FESTIVAL EVENTS



St Mary's Easthorpe's Harvest Supper will be on Sunday 5th October, following the 6.00 pm Harvest Festival Evensong – cost £12.50. St Michael's Copford's Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 12th October – further details to follow.



EASTHORPE MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING & OPEN GARDENS - SUNDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER FROM 11 AM



The Easthorpe Macmillan Coffee Morning & Open Gardens will start at Winterfloods Farm (CO5 9HH) on Sunday, 28th September (11am - 3pm). With refreshments, raffle, tombola and lots of (free) games for all ages it's bound to a fun event. All proceeds will go to Macmillan Cancer Support. Donations to this important charity can also be made here. For any further information, please contact Anne.



A NOTE FROM REVD. RUTH HATCHETT REGARDING TIPTREE FOOD BANK

First of all I want to thank your church members for the support they have given to our local foodbanks and pantries in past years. Sadly, rises in the cost of living have meant that more people than ever are needing to turn to foodbanks for support, while at the same time, we are seeing a marked reduction in donations of food items. We are completely dependent on donations from individuals, churches and community organisations. Last week alone, Tiptree Churches Foodbank provided 80kg of food, plus household items and toiletries, to people struggling to feed themselves and their families. We are fortunate in being able to deliver parcels to those in our community who do not have transport. As we approach this time of harvest thanksgiving, I am writing to you today to ask that you might consider donating offerings of (non-perishable) food to Tiptree Churches Foodbank. - Thank you.



TIPTREE FOOD BANK

This week the Foodbank needs <u>Kitchen Cleaner</u>, <u>Bathroom Cleaner</u>, <u>Tinned Fruit</u>, <u>Tinned Soup</u>, <u>Breakfast Cereal & Tinned Meats</u>. All donations are gratefully received.



Information for the Kelvedon & Feering website: **kelvedonandfeeringchurches.co.uk.** should be sent to **Sarah**, whilst information for the Copford Website or Easthopre ACNY page should be sent to **Fleur**. Please let **Fleur** have any items for this Newsletter by Tuesday p.m. If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please tell **Fleur**.

Church Diary at a glance..

	Week of Sunday 14th			
September & Future Events				
Sunday 14th September @ 9.30 a.m.	Sung Holy Communion Service	All Saints', Feering		
Sunday 14th September @ 10.30 a.m.	All Age Worship	St Michael & All Angels, Copford		
Sunday 14th September @ 11 a.m.	Sung Holy Communion	St Mary's, Kelvedon		
Sunday 14th September from Noon	Natasha's Farewell	St Mary's, Kelvedon		
Sunday 14th September from 5 p.m.	Natasha's Farewell (Part 2!)	Feeringbury Manor CO5 9RB		
Wednesday 17th September @ 9.30 a.m.	St Mary's Teddy Bear Club	St Mary's, Kelvedon		
Wednesday 17th September @ 10 a.m.	Monthly Coffee & Chat	St Mary's, Easthorpe		
Wednesday 17th September @ 4.30 a.m.	St Mary's Junior Christian Club	St Mary's, Kelvedon		
Thursday 18th September @ 8.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer with Simon	St Mary's, Kelvedon		
Sunday 21st September @ 9.30 a.m.	Sung Holy Communion	All Saints', Feering		
Sunday 21st September @ 11 a.m.	Sung Holy Communion	St Mary's, Kelvedon		
Sunday 21st September @ 6 p.m.	Monthly Holy Communion	St Mary's, Easthorpe		