

Horsford Benefice Weekly News Sheet



Parishes of

Felthorpe, Hevingham & Horsford



Sunday 22 February 2026: 1st Sunday of Lent

Readings:

Felthorpe: Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

Horsford: Psalm 150; John 14: 25 - 31

Collect for The Day

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert:

help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Notice of Horsford Church Room AGM, Monday 16 March, 6.45pm

at Horsford Church Room. There is a vacancy for a Secretary to the Committee. If you'd like to know what is involved, have a chat with Margaret.

Notice of Church Warden Elections

Felthorpe:

- Sunday 8 March, 4pm, St Margaret's Church

Hevingham:

- Monday 16 March, 3.30pm, St Mary the Virgin & St Botolph Church

Horsford:

- Sunday 19 April, 11.45am, All Saints Church

Nomination forms will be available on Sunday 1 March

APCM Sunday 19 April, 12 noon, All Saints, Horsford

Come along to celebrate all that God has been doing across the Benefice during 2025.

- **Would you like to make a difference in your local Parish?**
Stand for the PCC. There are vacancies on all the PCCs.
- **Would you like to make a difference to our Diocese and beyond?**
There is a vacancy for a Deanery Synod rep in each of the 3 Parishes. Deanery Synod reps will be voting for new lay members for General Synod in 2027; your participation will make a difference to the national C of E Governing body. There are informative and inspiring ideas to bring back to our Benefice as well as knowing what is happening across the Deanery.

Sunday 1 March, All Saints, Horsford: Bird Feeders & Boxes

Jade is a trainee nursery practitioner at Fairview Nursery, Horsford. She is doing a community project. The children are making handmade bird feeders and boxes. These will be available after the service on the 1 March in exchange for a small donation.

The Meaningful Chocolate Company: Easter Eggs

There are 4 milk chocolate and 1 dark chocolate Easter Egg available to buy if you missed out. Talk to Margaret if you'd like to buy any.

Quiz Night, Friday 24 April, 7.30pm

5 tables left. £6 per person. All proceeds to Horsford All Saints next project! Booking advisable: contact Margaret.

News from Jeremy Sly, Church Warden, Horsford

Jeremy's wife, Annie, sadly died last Monday. I had the privilege of praying for and anointing her just 3 days before. Please do hold Jeremy in prayer at this sad time.

Lent Opportunities

- A Rocha Climate Steward's Carbon Fast, starting 5 March
 - Find out more and sign up at <http://climatestewards.org/resources/carbon-fast/>
- Booklet available in church or sign up at [Sign up to draw near to God - Lent reflections | The Church of England](#)



Helping at Lent Community Activities

- Year 2 Easter Experience,
 - Horsford church, Monday 23 March, 10am to 12 noon. Serving refreshments or helping with the activities
- Easter Activity morning and Egg Hunt,
 - Saturday 4 April, 10am to 12 noon (setting up from 9.30am), serving refreshments or helping with activities

Specific prayers for this coming week

- Nonnie as she finishes her placement with us
- The team taking the service at The Old Rectory residential home, Hevingham, Monday afternoon
- Horsford PCC meeting Tuesday evening
- Margaret taking Collective Worship Thursday morning, Holt Road site, Horsford C of E Primary School
- The family of Norman Armes whose funeral takes place at Hevingham Church, 3 March

Next Week's Services

Tuesday: Mid-Week Communion, 10.30am, Horsford

Sunday:

- Horsford, 10.30am, Celebration Service for completed roof repairs
- Felthorpe, 3pm, BCP Holy Communion

Benefice Website: www.horsfordbenefice.org.uk

Our Benefice Team

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