

May 2026	Sun 3rd May Easter 5	Sun 10th May Easter 6	Sun 17th May Easter 7	Sun 24th May Pentecost	Sun 31st May Trinity
Athelington	9.30am JM CW Holy Communion				
Denham				11am EG CW Holy Communion	11am JM Benefice Holy Communion
Horham			11.15am JM BCP Holy Communion		
Hoxne	9.30am EG BCP Holy Communion	9.30 for JM 10am Café Church	9.30am JM CW Holy Communion	11am JM CW Holy Communion 4pm EG All Age service	
Redlingfield		9.30am EG CW Holy Communion			
Syleham	4pm Team Messy Church Syleham & Wingfield village hall		9.30am EG Village service	9.30am JM BCP Holy Communion	
Wingfield	11am EG CW Holy Communion		6pm EG Evensong		

Thursday 14th May Ascension Day, 7pm Holy Communion at Monk Soham

Online Services

Every Friday: Compline on Zoom at 6pm.

For an invitation to Zoom services, please email eleanor.goodison@gmail.com

Some church services also live streamed/uploaded to [facebook.com/WingfieldChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WingfieldChurch).

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The wind blows where it chooses

The merry month of May – the sun is shining, everything is growing and the summer is coming! There are lots of celebrations in the church calendar too. Sunday 10th May is Rogation Sunday, when parishes traditionally “beat the bounds” to establish their borders and pray for a good harvest. Come along to Café Church at Hoxne for a special Rogation service.

Then on Thursday 14th May we celebrate Ascension Day – the day when Jesus returned to the glory of heaven after the time spent with his disciples following his resurrection. Ascension Day always falls on a Thursday because it took place 40 days after the resurrection on Easter Sunday. We are invited to join with other churches in the wider deanery for a service in the evening at Monk Soham.

On Sunday 24th May comes Pentecost, also known as Whit Sunday, when the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples in a “mighty, rushing wind” and tongues of fire. Our services will celebrate this great occasion. The following Sunday, 31st May, is Trinity Sunday and we will have a benefice service at Denham church at 11am, followed by a bring and share lunch and a discussion, focusing especially on the Holy Spirit and the nature of the Trinity. We hope this can be the first of a series of occasions which we might call God Club. Do come along and contribute!

The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit (John 3.8). Whichever of our services and events you choose to come along to, we look forward to seeing you.

Revd Eleanor

Revd Eleanor usually works Friday to Monday and is available for urgent matters on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday is her day off. Messages received Thursday will normally be dealt with Friday.

If you need help or just want to chat, please contact us:

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May 2026

Saturday 2nd Musical bingo night at Denham Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm, in aid of Denham church. Tickets **SOLD OUT!**

Sunday 3rd Messy Church is back in Syleham and Wingfield Village Hall as usual at 4pm for crafts, story and scrummy tea! We'll be thinking about the Great Escape from slavery in Egypt which God brought about for his people. For children aged 3-7 and families.

Tuesday 5th Coffee and cake: drop-in café at the village hall in Syleham. 10 to 11.30am. Come with a friend or on your own for a friendly chat.

Wednesday 6th

The **Rural Coffee Caravan** is at the village triangle, Redlingfield from 10am to 12 noon. Come along for coffee, tea and chat.

Also **Wednesday 6th and every Weds Coffee and delicious eats** in Horham Old School from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Come and meet your friends and neighbours.

Sunday 10th ...is Rogation Sunday when we pray especially for the growing crops. Our services are at the usual times.

Also Sunday 10th

The **Redlingfield Fun Dog Show** takes place on Doorstep Green from 10am to 2pm. There will be the usual BBQ, refreshments, bar and dog-related stalls, in addition to lots of fun categories for your dog to enter. Contact Hayley 07929 348421 for details.



Revd John licensed as Rural Dean by Archdeacon Rich in April

Wednesday 13th

The **Community Lunch Club** will meet again at Hoxne Village Hall, 11am to 1.30pm. Come for coffee and stay for lunch, served between 12 noon and 1pm. All ages welcome from 0-99 and beyond! Toys and craft activities for children. No need to book: for further info, call 01379 668359. A suggested donation of £5 to cover costs would be very welcome.

Thursday 14th ... is Ascension Day. We are all invited to a deanery service of Holy Communion at Monk Soham church at 7pm.

Saturday 16th Coffee morning and book sale at Hoxne church from 9.45 to 11.15am. All are very welcome.

Sunday 17th Syleham church holds its **Annual Meeting** at 10.30am in the church. Come along to hear what's been going on and what is planned and to vote for representatives on the PCC.

Monday 18th Athelington church's Annual Meeting is at 7pm in the church. Again, come along to hear all about last year's activities and what is planned for 2026.

Tuesday 19th The **Coffee Caravan** will be at Wingfield Barns from 10am to 12 noon for coffee, cake and chat.

Friday 22nd

We will be singing hymns and saying prayers at the **Depperhaugh** at 2.30pm. We would welcome others to join us.

Also Friday 22nd

The **Youth Café** will meet at Hoxne pavilion from 7 to 9pm as usual. Open to all in school years 7-11 (high school age). Tell your friends and follow us on Instagram @hoxneyouth.

Tuesday 26th Club Create will meet again in the afternoon for more fun half-term activities. For children aged 7-12. Contact Revd Eleanor for more details.

Wednesday 27th The **Book Club** meets at 5pm – book and venue to be confirmed. Contact Revd Eleanor for further details.

Sunday 31st

There will be a **benefice service** of Holy Communion for Trinity Sunday at 11am at Denham church. All very welcome. The service will be followed by our first God Club: a bring and share lunch with open discussion of all things to do with God, particularly focusing this time on the Holy Spirit and the nature of the Trinity.

Looking ahead

Saturday 6th June Syleham and Wingfield Village Fête will be held on J's meadow from 1 to 5pm, to benefit both Syleham and Wingfield churches. BBQ, drinks, afternoon tea and cakes, classic cars, music and children's games. Come along for a great afternoon!

Saturday 13th June Hoxne church's Summer Event will take place from 1 to 4pm at the church. Cream teas, barbecue, raffle and games for all the family, produce, Pimm's and plant stalls, plus tower tours and much more. Come and join in the fun!

Monday 29th June

The **Archdeacon's Visitation service**, when churchwardens are sworn in for the next year, Palgrave church at 7pm. Come and support our churchwardens who serve our churches so well.

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