

## **Pew Sheet for 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

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### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

9.30am Holy Communion at Boddington  
10.00am BCP Morning Prayer at Eydon  
10.00am Café Church at Woodford Halse  
11.00am Holy Communion at Byfield  
1.00pm Baptism at Eydon

### **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

9.45am Morning Prayer at Byfield  
11.15am Prayer Group, Woodford Halse

### **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

9.30am Holy Communion at Eydon  
10.00am Morning Prayer at Boddington  
11.00am Common Worship Communion at Aston le Walls  
11.00am Café Church at Byfield

### **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

2-2.45pm Little Angels at Byfield

### **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

9.45am Holy Communion at Byfield  
11.15am Prayer Group at Woodford Halse

### **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

6-7.30pm Rising Stars at Byfield

### **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

1pm Wedding at Eydon  
5-7pm Youth Church at Woodford Halse

### **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

9.30am BCP Communion at Aston le Walls  
10.00am Family Service at Eydon  
11.00am Holy Communion at Woodford Halse  
6pm Evening Prayer at Boddington

\*\*Advance notice.

James and I will be inviting anyone from the benefice to come to a BBQ at the Rectory on Sunday 12th July. Please look out for further information nearer to the time. Clare

### **The Rural Community Larder at the Nest, Woodford Halse**

Since the beginning of Covid we have collected donations for the Food Bank at the Community Larder from the villages in the benefice, initially weekly but now twice a month.

The Larder is a voluntary run organisation with a team of 65 dedicated volunteers who collectively donate over 345 hours of support each week, providing Food Parcels, supporting local schools with breakfast boxes, supplying after school clubs and making up holiday parcels for families who are struggling. There are weekly deliveries of Food Parcels to the elderly and infirm in our local area. The Community Larder currently supports 300 individuals from 27 local villages.

This week we have received this update from the Foodbank:

#### **'Summer Food Bank Appeal**

The summer holidays can be an especially difficult time for many families, with children at home and food costs rising. We're asking for any donations to help keep our food bank shelves stocked over the summer weeks.

#### **Items especially needed:**

- Cereal
- Tinned meat & fish
- Pasta & rice, Pasta sauces
- Long-life milk & juice
- Biscuits & snacks for children
- Tinned fruit & vegetables
- Toiletries & hygiene products
- Free From products including gluten free foods

If you're able to help, no matter how small, we would be incredibly grateful.'

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# Sunday 7 June 2026 First Sunday after Trinity

## COLLECT

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their  
trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of our  
mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your  
commandments  
we may please you both in will and deed;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## FIRST READING Hosea 5:15 – 6:6

A reading from the book of the prophet Hosea.

I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favour: Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth. What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgement goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt-offerings.

Or Genesis 12:1-9

## PSALM Psalm 50:7-15

R Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving.

Hear, O my people, and I will speak: "I will testify against you, O Israel; for I am God, your God.

"I will not reprove you for your sacrifices, for your burnt offerings are always before me. R

"I will take no bull out of your house, nor he-goat out of your folds,

"For all the beasts of the forest are mine, the cattle upon a thousand hills.

"I know every bird of the mountains and the insect of the field is mine. R

"If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that fills it.

"Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats? R

"Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and fulfil your vows to God Most High.

"Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you and you shall honour me." R

## SECOND READING Romans 4:13-end

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

The promise that Abraham would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") – Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in

God who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

## GOSPEL Matthew 9:9-13. 18-26

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

## POST COMMUNION

Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.



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