

**Please join us in prayer for:**

*... for those in need of our prayers:*

Louise Harward (HA)(CH)      Kate Touhy (CH)  
John Edwards (CH)      Lita Edgell (CH)

*...for those ill, at home or in hospital:*

Steve Chicken (CH)      Lynne Hammond (CH)  
Sarah Ives (SH)

*... the family and friends of those who have recently died*

Elizabeth Roberts (ER)(CH)

If you would like to be included in our prayers, if you know of somebody who might be interested, or if you wish to come off the list, then please contact Liesbeth on 781902, or email to [l.oosterhof@btinternet.com](mailto:l.oosterhof@btinternet.com)

**How you can support your church financially**

Like every other charity, we need your help in our parishes. To support the work of the churches in our benefice, you can donate by joining the Parish Giving Scheme, or by setting up a Direct Debit or Standing Order. We also have Contactless Giving Terminals in all our churches and of course you can still give cash on the collection plate.

In addition we are adding a Donate button to the 'A Church Near You' website for each parish.

Your friendly treasurers can give you further details if needed.

**Thank you for your generosity!**

This news sheet is available on our websites and delivered by email every week to all those who wish to receive it. If you know of someone who would like to receive this news sheet, please get in touch!

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**THE NEWS SHEET FOR  
THE SHORELINE BENEFICE**

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**NOTICES FOR**

Sunday 15 February '26

Sunday next before Lent



**Collect for the Sunday next before Lent**

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Readings for the Sunday next before Lent**

Exodus 24.12–end, Psalm 2 or 99, 2 Peter 1.16–end,  
Matthew 17.1–9

**From Psalm 99**

Mighty king, who loves justice,  
you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.  
Exalt the Lord our God;  
bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.

## Services, worship and prayer time for the coming week

### Ash Wednesday 18/2:

10.00am Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes,  
St Andrew's, Chelmondiston

### Next Sunday 22/2: First Sunday of Lent

9.30am Family Service, St Andrew's, Chelmondiston  
11.00am Holy Communion CW, St Mary's, Erwarton

### **Worship in the Cathedral:**

A schedule of regular services in the Cathedral can be found here:

<https://stedscathedral.org/worship/>

The cathedral live streams most of their services on their YouTube

Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@stedscathedral/streams>

### **Online Lent Course from the Cathedral**

Wednesdays 25 February – 25 March at 7.00 pm online  
Each week, we welcome experts in their subjects to explore  
visions of a future church.

For more information and to book:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1981099040560>

### **Events @ the Cathedral**

Our Cathedral offers a broad program of events including popular and  
classical concerts, holiday activities, tower tours, talks and lectures, and  
much more:

Please check the Cathedral's website for more details:

<https://stedscathedral.org/whats-on/>

The funeral of **Elizabeth Roberts**  
will take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 10.00am  
at St Andrew's, Chelmondiston



### **Palm Crosses and Ash Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February**

With Ash Wednesday approaching, please collect any  
palm crosses you may have at home and take them  
to the back of your church. These will be collected,  
and the burnt ashes will be used at the Imposition of Ashes service  
on Ash Wednesday in St Andrew's, Chelmondiston @ 10.00am

### **A Presentation for Lent, by Tim Crosbie**

The Annunciation to Mary - A presentation of a remarkable stained  
glass window in All Saints' Church, Bale, Norfolk.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm**

St Andrew's Church Room, Chelmondiston

Save the Date!

### **Listening Morning for the Benefice**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 10.00am, Chelmondiston Church Room**

An opportunity to look ahead and

**listen to each other and to God,**

to focus on what we want for our Benefice going ahead.

Everyone welcome!

### **PCC Meetings**

**Chelmondiston:** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm, Church Room

**Harkstead:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm at Catkin's

**Erwarton:** Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2.00pm at Jayne's tbc

**Shotley:** Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm at Maureen's