



Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011

Benefices of:

**Badby with Newnham and Charwelton with Fawsley and Preston Capes;
Heyford with Stowe Nine Churches and Flore with Brockhall; and
Weedon Bec with Everdon and Dodford**

in the diocese of Peterborough

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PASTORAL SCHEME

This Scheme is made by the Church Commissioners this 4th day of February 2026 in pursuance of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011 ("the 2011 Measure"), the Right Reverend Deborah, Bishop of Peterborough, having consented thereto.

Creation of new benefice of Everdon

1. (1) A new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Everdon" shall be created in the diocese of Peterborough, and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Everdon.

(2) The new benefice and its constituent parish shall belong to the archdeaconry of Northampton and the deanery of Daventry;

(3) The patronage of the new benefice shall be vested in the Bishop of Peterborough in her corporate capacity.

Creation of new benefice of Badby with Newnham and Charwelton with Fawsley and Preston Capes and Everdon (The Knightley Benefice)

2. (1) The benefice of Badby with Newnham and Charwelton with Fawsley and Preston Capes and the new benefice of Everdon created pursuant to clause 1(1) hereof in the diocese of Peterborough shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Badby with Newnham and Charwelton with Fawsley and Preston Capes and Everdon (The Knightley Benefice)", and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Badby, the parish of Newnham, the parish of Charwelton, the parish of Fawsley, the parish of Preston Capes and the parish of Everdon, which parishes shall continue distinct.

(2) The new benefice and its constituent parishes shall belong to the archdeaconry of Northampton and the deanery of Daventry.

(3) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation any person has been licensed by the Bishop to serve within the area of the benefice of Badby with Newnham and Charwelton with Fawsley and Preston Capes as priest-in-charge that person shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice. However, if immediately before this Scheme comes into operation no such person has been so licensed the first incumbent of the new benefice may be selected by the Bishop after consultation with the parochial church councils of the parishes in the area of the new benefice.

(4) The parsonage house of the benefice of Badby with Newnham and Charwelton with Fawsley and Preston Capes (known as Vicarage, Vicarage Hill, Badby, Daventry, NN11 3AP) shall be the place of residence of the incumbent of the new benefice.

(5) The patronage of the new benefice shall be vested in the Bishop of Peterborough in her corporate capacity.

Creation of new benefice of Heyford with Stowe-Nine-Churches and Flore with Brockhall and Weedon Bec and Dodford (The Upper Nene Benefice)

3. (1) The benefice of Heyford with Stowe Nine Churches and Flore with Brockhall and, subject to clauses 1(1) and 2(1) hereof, the benefice of Weedon Bec with Everdon and Dodford in the diocese of Peterborough shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Heyford with Stowe-Nine-Churches and Flore with Brockhall and Weedon Bec and Dodford (The Upper Nene Benefice)", and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Heyford, the parish of Stowe Nine Churches, the parish of Flore, the parish of Brockhall, the parish of Weedon Bec and the parish of Dodford, which parishes shall continue distinct.

(2) The new benefice and its constituent parishes shall belong to the archdeaconry of Northampton and the deanery of Daventry.

(3) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Stephen Paul Burrow holds an ecclesiastical office in either of the benefices referred to in clause 3(1) hereof he shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice

(4) The parsonage house of the benefice of Heyford with Stowe Nine Churches and Flore with Brockhall (known as The Rectory, Church Lane, Nether Heyford, Northampton NN7 3LQ) shall be the place of residence of the incumbent of the new benefice.

(5) The parsonage house of the benefice of Weedon Bec with Everdon and Dodford (known as The Vicarage, Church Street, Weedon, Northampton NN7 4PL), together with the site and appurtenances thereof and the grounds usually occupied and enjoyed therewith, shall without any conveyance or other assurance be transferred to the Peterborough Diocesan Board of Finance for disposal in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 8 of Schedule 3 to the 2011 Measure.

(6) Subject to clause 3(3) hereof, the right of presentation to the new benefice shall on each occasion be exercised jointly by the Peterborough Diocesan Board of Patronage; the corporate body established for the Cathedral Church of Christ in Oxford; the Bishop of Peterborough in her corporate capacity; and the Reverend Canon Susan Hope, of 14, Sunderland Bridge, Durham, DH6 5HD.

Assistant curates: consequential provision

4. If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation any person holds an office of assistant curate (however described) in any of the three benefices affected by this Scheme he, she or they shall as consequence of the creation of the new benefices effected by the Scheme hold such office or offices subject to the same terms of service in one or both of the new benefices of Badby with Newnham and Charwelton with Fawsley and Preston Capes and Everdon" (The Knightley Benefice); and Heyford with Stowe-Nine-Churches and Flore with Brockhall and Weedon Bec and Dodford (The Upper Nene Benefice) as the Bishop shall direct.

Coming into operation of this Scheme

5. This Scheme shall come into operation upon the first day of the month following the date of it being made by the Church Commissioners.

In witness of which this Scheme has been duly executed as a deed by the Church Commissioners.

SIGNED by the Right Reverend Deborah,)
Bishop of Peterborough.)
) Debbie Sellin
) Debbie Sellin (Feb 4, 2026 12:03:58 GMT)

Executed as a Deed by the Church Commissioners for England

acting by two authorised signatories:

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