

12th April 2026 – Easter 2

THE ORWELL AND DEBEN RURAL BENEFICE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	12 th	- Acts 2:14a, 22-32; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-end.
Monday	13 th	- Exodus 15:1-21; Colossians 1:1-14.
Tuesday	14 th	- Exodus 15:22-16:10; Colossians 1:15-end.
Wednesday	15 th	- Exodus 16:11-end; Colossians 2:1-15.
Thursday	16 th	- Exodus 17; Colossians 2:16-3:11.
Friday	17 th	- Exodus 18:1-12; Colossians 3:12 - 4:1.
Saturday	18 th	- Exodus 18:13 - end; Colossians 4:2- end.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday – 12th April – Easter 2

9am	BCP Holy Communion	Hemley
10am	Morning Prayer	Levington
10am	Morning Prayer	Kirton
10-15am	Holy Communion	Bucklesham

Sunday - 19th April – Easter 3

9am	Holy Communion	Falkenham
10am	All Age Praise	Bucklesham
10am	Morning Prayer	Nacton
10am	Morning Prayer	Newbourne
10-30am	Holy Communion	Waldringfield

Sunday – 26th April – Easter 4

10am	Morning Prayer	Bucklesham
10am	Morning Prayer	Hemley
10am	Holy Communion	Kirton
10am	Holy Communion	Levington

April Events

Monday 13th – Bucklesham Coffee and Library – 10-12 noon

Tuesday 21st – Benefice book club – 2-30pm

Tuesday 21st – Deanery Synod -Christchurch Felixstowe – 7 for 7-30pm

Wednesday 22nd – Prayers for persecuted church – Kirton 2pm

Wednesday 22nd – Kirton Community tea shop Church Hall -2-30 to 4pm

Dates for your diary

Friends of Kirton Church

Saturday 2nd May – 7-30pm

Concert in Kirton Church Hall with The Brawlers.

A local group of musicians playing a variety of instruments, some very familiar and others most have never heard or seen before.

Admission free. Retiring collection. Bring your own drinks and glasses.

Contact Stephen Harvey and let him know if you are coming.

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May 2nd, 3rd and 4th

A Festival of Scarecrows

Create your scarecrow and place them outside your house for the Bank Holiday weekend. Pay £1 to enter your scarecrow and tell us where it is. No front garden? Not a problem, let us know and we can display it in the Church paddock.

£1 for a map of all the scarecrow locations and enjoy walking round to see them. Email friends@fokc.co.uk

St Ethelbert Falkenham

The Big Spring Clean! On Sunday 26th April from 10am

Join us for our Big Spring Clean. Cleaning equipment and refreshments will be provided

As part of the Scarecrow Festival we will be serving homemade refreshments on Saturday 2nd May from 10am to 2pm. Pop in for cheese scones, cakes and hot drinks.

No charge but donations are invited for the church tower appeal.