

What's On

Elmley Village Café, The Queens: Friday 2nd February 10.30 - 12 noon All welcome

Soup & Sweet: Wednesday 7th February, 12.15 for 12.30, Elmley Castle Village Hall. All Welcome.

Saturday 24th February Parish Retreat Day, 'Listening to God' led by Rev Steve Clark at House of the Open Door, Childswickham

Caring Hands needs the following items: Long life milk, pasta, rice, tea and tinned: vegetables, meat, tuna, tomatoes etc. Boxes are available in our churches for donations of food.

Please email content for the next Link News to rectoryoffice@btinternet.com by Wednesday 31st January 2024. Contributions from all villages welcomed. Thank you.

Weddings, funerals and baptisms

Enquiries should be made to Alison Khan, Administrative Co-ordinator, Bredon Hill Group (tel. 07984 748 059)

Link News is sent to all Church members whose email addresses we have. If you would like to forward it to a friend, please feel free to do so. If you know of someone who would like to be included in the mailing list, please ask them to contact the Parish Office.

January Link News Sunday 21st and Sunday 28th 3rd and 4th Sundays of Epiphany



February 2024 Village Prayer

Calling all Christians of whatever denomination in our villages to join together in prayer.

The plan is to meet at 9am outside the church building in the village, dressed for the weather, and to walk around our villages praying for all who live there, for the work and service offered by its inhabitants, for the peace of the village and its service to the wider community and world and for whatever else is inspired. (Those who cannot walk, or if the weather is inclement, can go into the building to pray.)

It would be great for Christians in our villages, wherever you may worship on Sunday, to meet up and to pray from time to time. In this way we can see who we are, know where we live, and potentially build up a network of support and service for our villages, as we seek to be Jesus' hands and feet and voice to those around us.

If you're not able to join in but wish to be part of a network of Christians in the village, do send a message to rectoryoffice@btinternet.com or leave a message on 01386 710394 with your name and contact details and in which village you live.

10 February at Great Comberton,
6 April at Little Comberton,
1 June at Bricklehampton,
5 October at Elmley Castle

It's always a first Saturday of the month and so ending at 10ish with a hot coffee and breakfast bap at the Little Comberton Pantry... just saying...

Yours,
Rev'd Katryn

January Services

Readings and Collects

21st January Readings:

Genesis 14.17-20
Psalm 128
Revelation 19.6-10
John 2.1-11

Collect:

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to
the poor, release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

28th January Readings

Deuteronomy 18.15-20
Psalm 111
Revelation 12.1-5a
Mark 1.21-28

Collect:

God of heaven, you send the gos-
pel to the ends of the earth and
your messengers to every nation:
send your Holy Spirit to transform
us by the good news of everlasting
life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Visit of Archbishop of Canterbury on Saturday 3rd February

12.30pm: Prayer lunch at Pershore
Abbey - bring your own picnic
lunch. (Please note this is a change
to the originally publicised lunch at
Holland House - there is no need
to book for this)
2.15pm: The Cathedral. An inter-
view with the Archbishop followed
by worship and prayer in various
prayer stations. .

We pray . . .

For all in our community who are sick or in long term care:

- Adrian Nichols
- Yvonne Seward
- Peter Locksley Smith
- Jackie O'Shaughnessy
- Domini Allen
- All in residential and care homes

We remember the loss of loved ones

Those who have died recently and
those whose anniversary of death falls at
this time.

- Lynette Crabtree

*May the souls of the faithful departed,
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

Lent Groups

20th February 2.00pm Village Hall Com-
mittee Room, Overbury
21st February 10.30am Holy Trinity, Ecking-
ton
21st February 7.00pm Elmley and the
Combertain's various homes
22nd February 2.00pm Mary MacKenzie's
- Elmley Castle

You are welcome to join the group of
your choice. It would be useful to have
numbers so we can ensure the venue can
work.

Contact Alison Khan for details of ad-
dresses and to sign up
acbhteam@gmail.com

Sunday 21st

9.00 am Eckington, Holy Communion
10.45am Bredon, Holy Communion
10.45 am Elmley Castle, Holy Communion
4.00pm Bredon's Norton, Evensong
6.00pm Beckford, Evensong

Wednesday 24th

10.00 am St Cuthbert Morning Prayer, Little Comberton

Sunday 28th

9.00 am Great Comberton, Holy Communion
10.45am Defford, Holy Communion
10.45 am Ashton-under-Hill, Holy Communion
3.00pm Elmley Castle, Making Church Fun

Wednesday 31st

10.00 am Northumbrian Morning Prayer, Little Comberton

Holland House

Morning Prayer (Celtic and other) at Holland House on: Tuesdays,
Wednesdays and Fridays at 9.15 am. There will be a Eucharist at 12
noon on Wednesdays.

Our churches are open

St Peter's, Little Comberton: daily 9 a.m. to dusk.
St Mary the Virgin, Elmley Castle: daily 9 a.m. to dusk.
St Michael & All Angels, Bricklehampton: daily 10 a.m. to dusk.
St Michael & All Angels, Great Comberton: daily 9 a.m. to dusk.