

**Blackwater Benefice  
The Waterside Parishes  
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

**Layer de la Haye, Tollesbury, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Tolleshunt Major, Salcott-Cum-Virley**

**SUNDAY 5th April**

**HAPPY EASTER!**

6.15am	Sunrise Service and simple breakfast	St Nicholas, Tolleshunt Major
9.30am	Holy Communion with Rev Jo Wood	St Mary The Virgin, Tollesbury
10.30am	Holy Communion with Rev Andrew Vince	St John The Baptist, Layer de la Haye
11.30am	Holy Communion with Rev Jo Wood	St Mary's Salcott

For more information relating to our churches, please look at <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/>

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**SAFEGUARDING**

We are committed to Safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults within the Benefice.

The PCC's have adopted the Church of England's policies and best practice of safeguarding which can be found via [www.churchofengland.org/more/safeguarding](http://www.churchofengland.org/more/safeguarding) or [www.chelmsford.anglican.org/safeguarding](http://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/safeguarding)

*This week, we give thanks...*

- for those who support us and enable us to flourish in our lives and ministries*
- for all that brings us joy, all that energises us, all that inspires us*
- for those people whose ministry is to support and enable others to flourish in their lives and ministries*

*We pray that...*

- we would be wise in the decisions we make that impact our own wellbeing*
- our churches and worshipping communities would be places of mutual support and healing, witnessing to Christ's healing presence in the world*

*Come, creator Spirit, source of life;  
sustain us when our hearts are heavy  
and our wells have run dry,  
for you are the Father's gift,  
with him who is our living water,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**\* Please note that Rev Jo will be on leave the week commencing 6th April. Please direct queries to Rev Andrew or our Administrator, Rosie.**

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**SUNDAY 12th APRIL**

9.30am	Holy Communion with Rev Andrew Vince	St Mary The Virgin, Tollesbury
10.30am	Holy Communion with Rev Michael Hatchett	St John The Baptist, Layer de la Haye
11.00am	Holy Communion with Rev Andrew Vince	St Nicholas, Tolleshunt D'Arcy

<b>Week of Sunday 12th April</b>		
<b>WHEN?</b>	<b>WHAT?</b>	<b>WHERE?</b>
Monday 13th April : 9am	Morning Prayer	Tolleshunt D'Arcy
Monday 13th April: 10-11am	Edward Bear	St Mary The Virgin, Tollesbury
Monday 13th April: 10.30-12pm	Play morning	Elmcroft Care Home
Tuesday 14th April: 9.15-10am	Morning Prayer	St Mary The Virgin, Tollesbury
Wednesday 15th April: 10am	BCP Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Tolleshunt D'Arcy
Wednesday 15th April: 8-9.30pm	Village Voices Details from Debbie: dwalsham63@gmail.com	The Queen Elizabeth Hall, Layer de la Haye
Thursday 16th April: 9.15am	Morning Prayer	St John The Baptist, Layer de la Haye
Thursday 16th April : 1.45-3pm	JB Tots (Baby & Toddler group)	The Queen Elizabeth Hall Annexe, Layer de la Haye

**PLANNING AHEAD - SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 19th APRIL**

9.00am Messy Church at the Congi

9.30am Morning Prayer with Isabel Adcock at St Mary The Virgin, Tollesbury

9.30am Morning Prayer with Tim Whitfield at St Nicholas, Tolleshunt Major

10.30am Holy Communion with Rev Jo Wood at St John The Baptist, Layer de la Haye

11.30am Morning Prayer with Isabel Adcock at St Mary The Virgin, Salcott cum Virley

**Save The Date....**

20th April - Mother's Union meeting at 1pm: The Lighthouse East Street, Tollesbury CM9 8QE

9th May - plant sale at Salcott Village Hall, 10-1pm

10-16th May - Christian Aid Week

**This week, we give thanks...**

- **for spiritual directors, pastoral supervisors, counsellors, prayer partners, coaches and mentors who support our lay and ordained leaders**
- **the Clergy Support Trust, the Charity for Licensed Ministers in the Diocese of Chelmsford (LMDC) and other charities that support clergy and licensed ministers in particular need**
- **for our Deanery Wellbeing champions and our Diocesan Wellbeing Steering Group**

**We pray that...**

- **all our clergy and licensed lay ministers would receive the support that they need to enable them in their ministries**
- **we would be bold and imaginative in our exploration of new models of ministry that will enable all God's people to flourish**

**Creator and lover of our souls:**

**teach us to release our burdens and accept your love.**

**May your love be the deepest reality of our lives,  
and may we offer real love to others. Amen.**