

Prayer Diary - red letter days in bold

Monday (14th Matthias)

The World; Its Peace, National Leaders; Service folk & families; Its Preservation, sharing resources, reducing consumption; All Disaster Areas and the Aid agencies. N Lopham Churchwardens, PCC & people; St Andrew's School, Kings Head Pub; The Post Office; Local businesses.

Tuesday

Our Country The Queen & Parliament; Councillors at county, district & parish level; Magistrates & all in court administration; the Police & Probation services. Education - schools & colleges & nurseries; The Health Service. Fersfield Churchwardens, PCC and people; The Strenneth; all Bed & Breakfasts, those offering hospitality & local businesses.

Wednesday

Our Local Communities, all Service providers & Emergency services; Farmers & all whose livelihood depends on the land; The self employed, the unemployed and those seeking work Roydon Churchwardens, PCC & people; Roydon School; The White Hart & all local businesses

Thursday (17th Ascension Day) (24th J & C Wesley)

All Families & young people; Social & Care workers; The Church Army; Salvation Army; Children's Society; The lonely, sick, the separated & those who live alone; our Funeral directors South Lopham Churchwardens, PCC & people. The White Horse, The Fen & volunteers; Local businesses.

Friday (25th Venerable Bede)

The Cathedral & staff; Diocesan House & staff; Canon Tony and our deanery; The Shrines at Walsingham & Ditchingham; Our Choir, Organists & bell ringers; those who care for our churches. Bressingham Churchwardens, PCC & people; Bressingham School; The Chequers, the shop and all local businesses.

Sat & Sun: (19th Dunstan) (26th Augustine)

Our Bishops and Archdeacons, our Clergy 'team'; Worship this weekend & all who travel in for Worship; The Mission of the Church; the Bible school in Kagera; the local High Schools.

THE WORD

The Upper Waveney Benefice

The Parishes of Bressingham, Fersfield,
North Lopham, Roydon and South Lopham



Sunday 13th May

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Christian Aid Week - White

Morning Readings: Acts 10 44 to end, John 15 9-17

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| 9.30 a.m. | Holy Communion | Bressingham |
| 10.00 a.m. | Holy Communion | Roydon |
| 11.00 a.m. | Family Service | North Lopham |
| 6.30 p.m. | Evening Prayer | North Lopham |

Ascension Day Thursday 17th May 10 a.m. North Lopham
Holy Communion

Sunday 20th May Sunday after Ascension Day - White

Morning Readings: Acts 1 15-17 21-26, John 17 6-19

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| 8.00 a.m. | Holy Communion | Roydon |
| 9.30 a.m. | Holy Communion | South Lopham |
| 10.00 a.m. | Morning Prayer | Roydon |
| 11.00 a.m. | Family Service | North Lopham |
| 6.30 p.m. | Music Praise & Worship | Bressingham |

Sunday 27th May Pentecost - Red

Morning Readings: Acts 2 1-21 John 15 26-27, 16 4-15

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| 9.30 a.m. | Holy Communion | Fersfield |
| 10.00 a.m. | Holy Communion | Roydon |
| 10.30 a.m. | Service with Methodists | Bressingham |
| 11.00 a.m. | Pentecost Family Birthday Service | North Lopham |
| 6.30 p.m. | Evensong | South Lopham |

For **Wednesday** communions for the coming two weeks, please check with Roydon and North Lopham Churchwardens

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

THIS IS Christian Aid Week - 13th - 19th May - Please give generously - it's not too late to volunteer to collect even just a few envelopes, contact Andrew Daniels if you can help

Forthcoming Events and Services

BFG Monday 14th May 4-5 p.m. Parish Room
Toddler Church Tuesday 15th May 2-3 p.m., Parish Room

Roydon Fete Committee meeting - Tuesday 15th May at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Room

Tuesday 15th May - Fersfield PCC meeting at 3 p.m. at Blanche's home.

Wednesday 16th May - Chattering Needles 2 - 4 p.m.
Roydon Parish Room

North Lopham PCC at 10.45 a.m.
Fellowship Group 1.30 p.m. at Southlands

Thursday 17th May Choir Practice in the Roydon Parish Room at 5.30 p.m.

Pentecost 27th May The Birthday of the Christian Church will be celebrated with a Party Service for all ages at North Lopham Church at 11 a.m. Balloons, Cake & Worship

 **South Lopham Church Concert**
Saturday 26th May 7.30 p.m.
Thetford Ladies Choir
Piano Duets - Flautist - Soprano Soloist
All Welcome

Please send items for the next Word as soon as possible 8 a.m
Friday 25th May is the final deadline for the last minute items
Sarah Briscoe, tel 01379 643599 email rodney.briscoe@talk21.com

Rob Mellowship has now retired from the ministry. He and Jan will remain in the Rectory for the coming few weeks as they seek a new home, possibly in the Watton area.

No firm decisions have been made about the future direction of the Benefice, except for an assurance that the five parishes will remain together.

We continue to pray for Rob and Jan and also pray for Churchwardens and PCCs as they discuss our hopes and ideas for the Benefice.

In your prayers this week remember especially:

Those in need: Al Torrance, Claire Souter, Margaret Chambers, Dennis Caswell, Andrew Milne, Mary Spalding, Katherine Russell, Gladys Knott, Joan Calver, Chris Beesley, Fin Davies, Michael Bullock, Malcolm & Ellen Jolly, Cecil Cross, Annette Nott, Alex, Baby Rebecca, Baby Chloe, David Burroughs, Ashley Rivett, Rob and Jan Mellowship, Hannah Smith

Those who have recently departed this life and their families.:
Willie John (Bill) Kerry

Those whose anniversary of death occurs this week: John Tomkinson, Roy Elmes, Annie Bond, Doris Harvey, Joan Bond, Grace Wills, Pippa Brace, Gordon Cotton, Reg Baker, Rosie Kerry, Gordon West, Michael Murton, Thomas Pinnington, William Cobb

and next week: Mary Bishop, Eileen Cotton, Ethel South, Olive Thomas, Terry Stacey, Marele Le Tocq, Marjorie Threadgold, Irene Dutton, Muriel Burton, Elile Gamba, Gale Alston, Oliver Phillips, Jimmy Baker, Dick Stennett, Harriet Tubb, Alan Wrightson, Walter Bartrum, Margaret Rodgers, Alan Burrows.