



### Bible Reading Rota



A new Bible reading rota for the 9.45am and 6.30pm services at St Botolph's is being created starting in July. It would be lovely to see some new faces join this rota so, if it is something that you would like to be involved in, please contact me at [alicespence@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alicespence@yahoo.co.uk). Many thanks, Alice Spence

### Church Service Sidepersons Rota



Now that Services are being held back in Church a new Service Sidepersons rota for the 9.45am and 6.30pm services in St Botolph's is being created. This important role is not too difficult but it is an important one since you will be the face that welcomes the congregation into church. It would be lovely to see some new faces join this rota so, if it is something that you would like to be involved in, please contact me at [heatherknighton@stbots.church](mailto:heatherknighton@stbots.church) or contact Church Office telephone 01536 414052

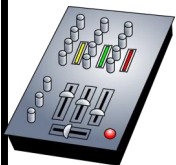
Many thanks, Heather (Church Administrator)

### Prayer Rota



A new Prayer rota for the 9.45am and 6.30pm services at St Botolph's is being created starting from August. It would be lovely to see some new faces join this rota so, if it is something that you would like to be involved in, please contact Mary-Ann at [maryannansdell@gmail.com](mailto:maryannansdell@gmail.com)

### Visual & Sound Desk Rota



Do you come to the Sunday 9:45am morning service or the 6:30pm service if so we need volunteers to operate the VT & Sound desk at these services. It's very simple to operate and the necessary training and support will be available. Please consider helping if you can and speak to Mark, Andy or church office or email [Jjmroughton@stbots.church](mailto:Jjmroughton@stbots.church) for more information.

## St Botolph's Church Family News First Sunday after Trinity 6th June 2021



### Collect - First Sunday after Trinity

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Dates For Your Diary



#### Confirmation Service 21-11-21

at St Botolph's. Church Details to follow in due cause.

If you are considering Confirmation please speak to Andy or Mark over the next couple of months.

#### Baptism Service 12-09-21

At St Botolph's. Church Details to follow shortly  
If you are considering baptism please register your interest with Heather in Church Office.



### Toilet, Tea Bar and Servery in Church



You will be delighted to learn that the construction of a toilet, tea bar and servery in the space previously occupied by the organ and the vestry are nearing completion and we expect work to be completed by 4th June so it will be ready for use when we are able to fully open the church for services shortly.



### Message from Paul (Administrator now Retired)



"Dear St Bots family. I wanted to say a huge thank you for your many kind words, cards and of course the gifts that you have given me on my retirement from the **administrator's post**. It has been a real privilege to serve for the last 7 years. I have enjoyed the time, well almost all of it, and will miss being there and the staff team who are fantastic.

It has to be said that without your co-operation and help for many reasons, life would have been much more difficult.

The past 12 months or so has been tough for all of us and not just because of COVID. But its great to be back in church isn't it and hope to see you there very soon."

Please join us on **Sunday 6th June at 6.30pm** as we continue with our Evening Prayer Service in St Botolph's Church (this service will also be Live Streamed via YouTube), all are welcome.

Please join us in **Church or on-line this Sunday 6th June at 9.45am** as we continue to welcome the congregation back into Church to worship.

We'll continue to Live-Stream our Morning Service from Church (via YouTube) for those of you who would prefer to join us from the comfort of your own home.

Click here to access [StBots - YouTube](#)

Remember that social distancing will be in force in church and that face masks are to be worn during the service and this will be mandatory if you intend to come to any of the services in church.

**Be aware that not everybody is comfortable with being hugged since restriction have been relaxed so can you adopt a NO HUGGING policy please whilst in Church.**

**Please join us this Sunday 6th June at 11.00am for a joint outdoor Family Service at St Edmund's Church, Warkton open to all from St Botolph's Church and St Edmund's Church. Remember to bring a seat and a blanket if it's cold and your best signing voice.**

**YES WE WILL BE ABLE TO SING**

**Please use the Village Hall Car park in Warkton village if you are coming this Sunday or you could even walk if it's a nice sunny day.**

### Message from St Botolph's Church Wardens given at the APCM 24th May

We have been blessed over the past 14 months with our leadership team of Mark, Andy and Helen who have gone more than the extra mile in constantly reminding us through Morning Prayer, Sunday services, Thoughts for the Day and other prayer times of just how much our Saviour loves us, how much mercy he has shown and how much grace he has showered us with.

To do so all three have had to learn new skills in utilising advances in on-line technology which has enabled them all to bring us God's word remotely, and I hope all would agree that their learning has enabled them to improve our service presentation each week.

However, Peter and I have been very aware of the stress and strain that all three have been under to produce the on-line material each week. In addition Andy has continued to engage with the youth at least twice a week either face to face in the marquee in Church House garden or on-line and Helen has met with the younger members.

So we have approached the Bishop and asked if he would be prepared to grant Mark and Andy an extra fortnight's holiday to add on to their planned holidays this summer. We are pleased to report that the Bishop replied immediately in the affirmative and said that he had, in fact only very recently, urged both of them to take extra holiday in recognition of their efforts through the pandemic to enable them to take a complete break and recharge their batteries.

Mark felt that as Helen's workload had been no less onerous that she, too should have a long break. The upshot is that all three will be off for a month, Mark and Andy at different times, over July and August. To enable this, Mark has arranged cover for all the services whilst they are away and that in August there will only be one service a Sunday at Barton. The 11.00am service at Warkton will also continue.

Peter and I are certain that this is right, and we would urge everyone to be in prayer for all three asking that the rest will be beneficial and enable all three to return in September fully refreshed and ready for another years' ministry.

Adrian Keach & Peter Jackson - St Botolph's Church Wardens

### What's happening next week?

#### • **Sunday 6th June**

- 9.45am Family Service in Church (also Live-Streamed)
- 9:45am Promised Land in Church House
- 11.00am Outdoor Service at Warkton
- 6.30pm Evening Service in Church (also Live-Streamed)

#### • **Monday 7th June**

- Note there is no Morning Prayer this week**
- 9.30am Refresh (in Church House)
- 1.00pm Staff meeting

#### • **Tuesday 8th June**

- **Wednesday 9th June**
- 9.30am Ladies Bible Study (via Zoom)
- 8.00pm Link (in Church House)

#### • **Thursday 10th June**

- 10.00am Staff meeting
- 7.30pm Leighty (in Church House)

#### • **Friday 11th June**

- **Saturday 12th June**
- 9.00am Saturday Prayer Time (via Zoom)