

Exciting Changes are taking place at St Botolph's Church during April & May

Paul Gosling will shortly be retiring after many years service as our excellent Church Adminstrator. We all wish him a well earned and happy retirement. The PCC are very pleased to announce that Heather Knighton has been appointed to the post of Church Administrator as Paul's replacement for St Botolph's Church & St Edmund's Church with effect 17th May 2021.

Church House Office Hours - Temporary change of Office Hours

Paul Administrator, St Botolph's Church, Barton Seagrave & St Edmund's Church, Warkton

What's happening next week?

• Sunday 9th May

9.15am Family Service (on YouTube)
9.45am Promised Land (via Zoom)
11.00am Outdoor Service at Warkton

Monday 10th May

8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)9.30am Refresh (in Church House)

1:00pm Staff meeting

Tuesday 11th May
 8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

Wednesday 12th May

8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
9.30am Ladies Bible Study (via Zoom)
4.45pm Promised Land (via Zoom)
8.00pm Link (in Church House)

Thursday 13th May

8:00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
10:00am Staff Meeting
7.30pm 1eighty (in Church House)
7:30pm Ascension Day Service
(in Church and Live-Streamed)



St Botolph's Church Family News Sixth Sunday of Easter 9th May 2021



Collect - Sixth Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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.

Message from Mark

As we begin to emerge from our lockdown hibernation, I think the words of John Stott are apposite, "...the love of Christ is 'broad' enough to encompass all mankind ... 'long' enough to last for eternity, 'deep' enough to reach the most degraded sinner, and 'high' enough to exalt him to heaven.... The isolated Christian can indeed know something of the love of Jesus. But his grasp of it is bound to be limited by his limited experience. It needs the whole people of God to understand the whole love of God, all the saints together, Jews and Gentiles, men and women, young and old, black and white, with all their varied backgrounds and experiences." I am so looking forward to meeting again with God's people. I hope you are too.

Please join us this Sunday 9th May at 6.30pm as we continue our Evening Prayer Service's in St Botolph's Church (the service will also be Live Streamed via YouTube).

Also please join us on Thursday 13th May in Church at 7:30pm for our Ascension Day Service as we celebrate Jesus' ascension to heaven after he was resurrected on Easter Day. This service will also be Live-Streamed

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

Please join us this Sunday 9th May 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.

APCM

Our APCM with be held in Church on Monday 24th May 2021 at 8.00pm. This years APCM report is now available to view or download from the St Botolph's web site at www.stbots.org.uk.

(If you require a paper copy of the APCM report please contact Church Office but be aware there will be a charge of £2 for it to cover increased printing costs.)

Elections to serve as Churchwarden, PCC member and Deanery Synod representative will be held during the APCM meeting, so if you are on the Church's Electoral Roll please consider standing.

Nomination forms for election as Churchwarden, PCC member and Deanery Synod representative can be filled in on-line or downloaded from the StBots web site at www.stbots.org.uk/Resources or you can request the forms from Church Office.

Church Property Tidy Up





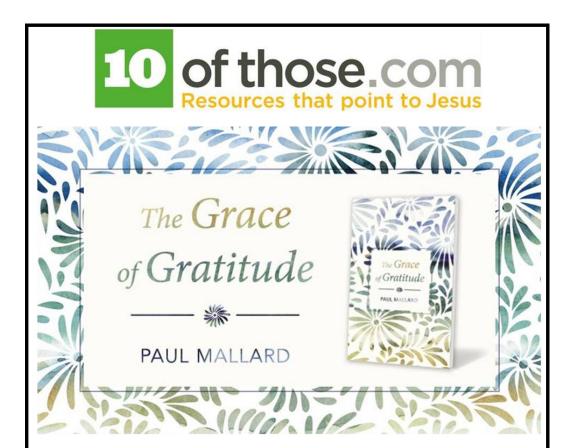


Office:

Please join members of the Fabric Task Group at 9.30am on Saturday 22nd May to help tidy up in the churchyard and Church House garden. The work will include cutting back the ivy on the Wellingtonia and clearing the area within the new protection fence; also reinstating the posts at the entrance to Church House; and much more! Someone to make coffee would also be most welcome! Please bring basic gardening tools.

Hope to see you. From the Fabric Task Group.

Warm wishes Adrian



How do you react when things go wrong?

Paul Mallard shows us that real gratitude sings through the storms and the darkest days and is stronger than anything that life can throw at it... The Grace of Gratitude teaches us how to turn our groaning and grumbling into gratitude and gladness. Through the Israelites' song of gratitude in Psalm 66, we catch glimpses of the God who parts the waves and whose plans are always for our good.

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