

APCM

Our APCM will be held in Church on Monday 24th May 2021 and will start at 7.45pm with the

Vestry Meeting at 7.45am followed at 8.00pm by the APCM.

This year's APCM report includes the meeting Agenda for both the Vestry & APCM meetings and is now available to view or download from the

[St Botolph's Church | APCM 2021 \(stbots.org.uk\)](http://StBotolph'sChurch|APCM2021(stbots.org.uk))

(If you would like 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.

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or you can request the forms from Church Office.

There are **9 PCC and 6 Deanery Synod member vacancies** this year to be filled for a new 3 year term at our APCM on Monday 24th May since the existing members term of office has come to an end.

If you are an existing member whose term of office has come to an end and would like to continue or someone who is considering standing please complete the relevant nomination form which can be filled in on-line and submit to Church Office as soon as possible..

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St Botolph's Church Family News Day of Pentecost 23rd May 2021



Collect - Day of Pentecost

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

Message from Mark

If things continue to go according to plan, we're told we should be free of Covid restrictions by June 21st. This is great news, but, alongside the hopefulness, the restrictions leave a wake of sadness, depression and anxiety. Some have experienced loss, many are very anxious about returning to 'normal'. I've heard it said that it's likely that face masks will become a 'must have' fashion accessory well into the future! I know many are anxious about returning to a church building. With all this in mind we are planning our return very carefully. In many areas of life things will never be as they were, and that is true for us too. The staff team have already spent time together reading and considering responses to our Covid survey. We are considering, as a result, what services to offer and at what times. Be assured that any big changes made will initially be for an experimental period, we are keen to be the best we can for the kingdom of God. May God bless you we emerge to normality.

Dates For Your Diary

Confirmation Service 14-11-21

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.



RIDE+STRIDE for Churches

Join us in 2021 - 11 September

On Saturday 11th September the annual **Ride and Stride 2021** event will take place. We hope to keep the church open for either the whole day or part of the day and are looking for **volunteers** to open up. If you think you can help please contact Heather in Church Office.

Please join us in **Church or on-line this Sunday 23rd May at 9.45am** as we start 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.

Please join us on **Sunday 23rd May 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.

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 any of the services in church.

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

Please join us this Sunday 23rd 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.

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 in Church are nearing completion and will be ready in early June when we expect the Church to be fully open for services.



Help Wanted

As we come out of COVID Lockdown and Church Activities start to get back to normal in Church House, we need to do a thorough clean throughout the building.

Chris Roughton is putting a working party together to do a one-off clean on Saturday 26th June. If you can spare a few hours to assist can you please let Chris know.

Tel 07804013990



What's happening next week?

• Sunday 23rd May

- 9.45am Family Service in Church (also Live-Streamed)
- 11.00am Outdoor Service at Warkton
- 6.30pm Evening Service in Church (also Live-Streamed)

• Monday 24th May

- 8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
- 9.30am Refresh (in Church House)
- 1:00pm Staff meeting
- 7.45pm APCM in Church

• Tuesday 25th May

- 8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

• Wednesday 26th 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 27th May

- 8:00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
- 10:00am Staff Meeting
- 7.30pm Leighty (in Church House)

• Friday 28th May

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(Opening Hours Mon - Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm.)