

The United Benefice of Bengeworth, Hampton, Sedgeberrow and Hinton-on-the-Green

Welcome  **ST. PETER'S BENGEWORTH**  **EVESHAM**



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Pewsheets for Sunday 14th January 2018



Welcome: We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our services and events, especially if you are new to the area or visiting us for the first time. Please stay for coffee/tea afterwards so we can meet together.

Today's Services - 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am	Holy Communion (said) <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>
10.00am	Parish Eucharist <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>
Readings (overleaf)	Dave Cockram & Lucy Vincent-Daviss
Intercessions	John Gordon
Hymns: Green book	13; 63; 26; 287; 142
3.00pm	Baptism of Astrid Teague
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church

This Week's Church Diary

Mon 15	6.30pm	Benefice Wardens' meeting - Bostock Rm
Tue 16	10.00am	Holy Communion in church
Wed 17		
Thu 18	12 noon 7.00pm	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at St. Andrew's Hampton Asum Youth Group ('Youthie') in church
Fri 19	7.00pm	Church Choir Practice (Bostock Room)
Sat 20		

**Next Sunday, 21st January - 3rd of Epiphany
in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

8.00am	Holy Communion (said) <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>	Readings (Epiphany 3, Yr B) ◆ Genesis 14. 17-20 ◆ Revelation 19. 6-10 ◆ John 2. 1-11
10.00am	Parish Eucharist <i>Rev'd Mark Binney</i>	
3.00pm	Songs of Praise at Austen Court	
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church	

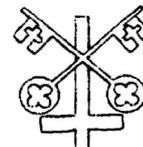
Including Everyone: Please let the 'welcomers' know if you have any special needs that we can help with. NB *Gluten free communion wafers are now available here. Please tell one of 'the welcomers' if you require one.*

Our Church is open most days - drop in for quiet. Encourage others to do the same. Use the Prayer Station in the north chapel. Take some time. Breathe deeply. Know that God is close - and his grace is sufficient for you... (2 Cor 12.9)



Notices

St. Peter's Key - our Parish Magazine: Thank you to everyone who has renewed their subscription to St. Peter's Key and to those who deliver copies and have passed on money.



If you want a copy, please subscribe (see form in this month's magazine), to make sure there are enough available and avoid wastage. Please do not leave any money at the back of church; put everything into an envelope and either hand it to me or get it put into the vestry.

The deadline (copy date) for material for the February edition of St. Peter's Key is Thursday 18th January. Thank you, *Marie Bomyer*, Editor

Communications: If you would like any items included in this Pewsheets - or the News Extra that goes to the whole benefice - please send them to one of the Churchwardens:
+ Marie Bomyer - marie@bomyer.co.uk; or
+ Dave Cockram - dave@littleton.entadsl.com
by close of play on Wednesdays.



Last-minute items can usually be included if they are with us at the Benefice Office (see below) by first thing Friday mornings.

For our Prayers this week

- + those taking up new roles in our national government;
- + our National Health Service, its staff and managers, at this time of severe demand and high pressure;
- + the Holy Land in all its tension and uncertainty; for new commitments towards a peace process; Jerusalem and its people;
- + Christians facing increasing persecution and in danger because of their faith; the Barnabas Fund supporting our brothers and sisters in these circumstances;
- + the people and government of Iran after the protests there; Myanmar and those who are now refugees from that country in Bangladesh;
- + our four churches, the Churchwardens, clergy and Readers; - and our working more closely together now that we are all sharing one benefice; Sarah Hewitt (Missioner) and Nick Wright (Associate Priest), newly-relicensed to serve;



For those who are sick, in special need or housebound: Janet Bailey, Beattie Ballard, Pearl Bradley, Daniel Crockford; Richard Emson, Sylvia Emson, Betty Gadsby; Barbara Line, Judith Smart; Julie and Pete; Ken Smith.

For those who have died, and all who mourn them:
Peter Cooke; Ruth James; Doreen Kedward; June Penrose

CHURCH CONTACTS

Benefice Office, normally staffed 9.15am to 1.15pm Mon-Fri. Call Elaine or Nick on **01386 446381** or email: office@hamptonchurch.org.uk



This church has an audio loop system



Our Benefice is part of the Asum Group of Parishes

Large print service and hymn books are available at the back of Church. Please ask the welcomers - or help yourself!

News Extra - Sunday 14th January 2018

from around and beyond our Churches

Now we are (officially) 4-in-1

We are glad to announce that the two benefices that we have been for many years are now (from yesterday 10th January) legally bound together as one unit - the **Benefice of Asum South**. This also means that Rev'd Mark Binney is now 'properly' vicar of St. Peter's, Bengeworth, and not just 'priest-in-charge'.

We shall celebrate this new identity at a **special service on Sunday 29th April** at St. Peter's, Bengeworth. Please keep the date - so we can all get together!



Apart from the legalities of this change, this uniting of our churches provides us with many opportunities to share resources and personnel. In this regard currently, please pray for

- + our Churchwardens - who are meeting together on Monday evening;
- + the admin team as we make ready the process by which we hope to appoint a new Administrator;
- + the PCC treasurers as they set up a funding framework for the office and a robust system for handling the fees that we receive.

Coming Soon



**WEEK OF PRAYER
FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
18th - 25th January 2018**



Theme: 'That all may be free'

**United Prayer Services around Evesham
- to which we are all invited...**

Thursday 18th - 12.00 noon - St Andrew's Hampton
Friday 19th - 2.45pm - Friends Meeting House
Saturday 20th - 7.30 pm - Elim Church
Sunday 21st - 6.00 pm - SoulFood - All Saints, Evesham
Monday 22nd - 1pm - Salvation Army (with light lunch)
Tuesday 23rd - 12.00 noon - Baptist Church
(with light lunch)
Wednesday 24th - 7.30 pm -
Vale of Evesham Christian Centre

Please note:

A **Large Print** version of the Sunday Readings sheet is now available each week - please ask the welcomers or churchwardens for your copy.

Ministry Together

Our Care Homes - Worship Review

We have now had a few months of experience in sharing worship at the Care Homes in our benefice - The Hawthorns and Austen Court. Many thanks to those from our churches who have been supporting this ministry.

This seems like a good time to review how things are going, and how we might learn from our experience so far. To this end, all those involved and anyone else interested are invited to a meeting on **Wednesday 14th March, 2.00pm** at the Benefice Office (next to Hampton Vicarage). Please note this change of date. Please book it!



Later this month...

Sedgeberrow Church Coffee Morning



Thursday 25th January, from 10am

At Rye Furlong, Winchcombe Road, Sedgeberrow, the home of Emma Kearsley

There will be raffle, tombola, cakes, coffee etc, all in aid of St. Mary's.

Everyone Welcome



**A Concert for a Winter's Evening
Friday 16th February, 7.30pm
St. Michael's Church, Broadway**



Tickets £10 from 01386 852352 or broadwaycofe@gmail.com

Performers include Broadway Showstoppers, Broadway Players, Colin Harper, Shellie Ward. All Welcome

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