

Fourth Sunday of Lent, 10th March 2024

in the Rutland Water Benefice



Worship this Sunday in church:

9.30am	Holy Communion	Empingham
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Lyndon
9.30am	All Age Worship	Manton
9.30am	Holy Communion	Ridlington
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Wing
11.00am	Holy Communion	Preston
(11.00am	Holy Communion	Whitwell - cancelled)

The Church of England regular Sunday online worship is at

<https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/church-online>

Our new Bishop of Peterborough

Bishop Debbie was installed as our Diocesan Bishop in Peterborough Cathedral last Sunday 3rd March 2024. It was a joyful occasion, attended by many parish representatives, clergy + people from other faiths, civic dignitaries and more — the processions went on and on!

6 children, including 2 from North Luffenham School, greeted the Bishop at the cathedral door & asked:
Who are you and why do you request entry?

I am Debbie, a servant of Jesus Christ, and I come as one seeking the grace of God, a pilgrim with you in faith and service.

Why have you been sent to us?

I am sent as your Diocesan Bishop to proclaim the love of Christ and with you to worship God with heart and soul, mind and strength.

What gives you confidence to minister among us?

I come knowing nothing except Jesus Christ and him crucified, trusting that his strength is made perfect in my weakness.

And, to make you smile, on another occasion in the cathedral the granddaughter of one of our congregation aged 4 met a senior diocesan clergyman and asked him if he was Professor Dumbledore (from the Harry Potter novels)!



Let us pray . . .

for Bishop Debbie newly installed as Bishop of Peterborough, for her to be equipped with all the gifts needed to lead our Diocese

for peace and justice in areas of conflict in the world, for aid workers risking their lives as they bring humanitarian aid; for civilians caught up in conflicts

for communities suffering in extreme weather, flooding, volcanic eruptions and earthquakes

for politicians of different views to work together for the good of the wider community and country;
for integrity and an openness to other people whose views differ from our own

for all who are sick and those who treat and care for them here and abroad, also praying for people recovering after treatment

for our schools—children, staff, volunteers— thanking God for opportunities for churches to work with them. Pray for the children being prepared to receive communion in North Luffenham

give thanks for all who enable the life of our church communities: churchwardens, PCC treasurers and PCC secretaries plus Jo, Vyv, Caroline, Graham and all involved in leading services

for people approaching their final days and all who care for them

for the recently bereaved, including the family & friends mourning for Sheila Margerison after her funeral, + Colin Clark and Margaret Thraves, whose funerals will take place soon



Everyone is welcome in the churches of the Rutland Water Benefice!

Children and young people, older people and everyone in between
Single people, couples of all sorts and families . . .



Breakfast Church

9.30am on 3rd Sunday of each month
at the Community Centre in North Luffenham



People of all ages are welcome
Come to enjoy a simple breakfast and learn about Christian faith
together.

In the summer months we often meet outside too . . .



Manton All Age Worship

9:30am on the 2nd Sunday of each month
Half hour interactive service led in parts by our
team of young leaders

Refreshments served afterwards

~ All are welcome ~



Crafts



Activities

All Age Church
St Peter's, Empingham

on the 4th Sunday of each month at 9.30am

An informal service for all

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Further detail about all these service from the Rector, Rev'd Pippa Madgwick rectorwrwb@gmail.com 01780 721286

Lent 2024

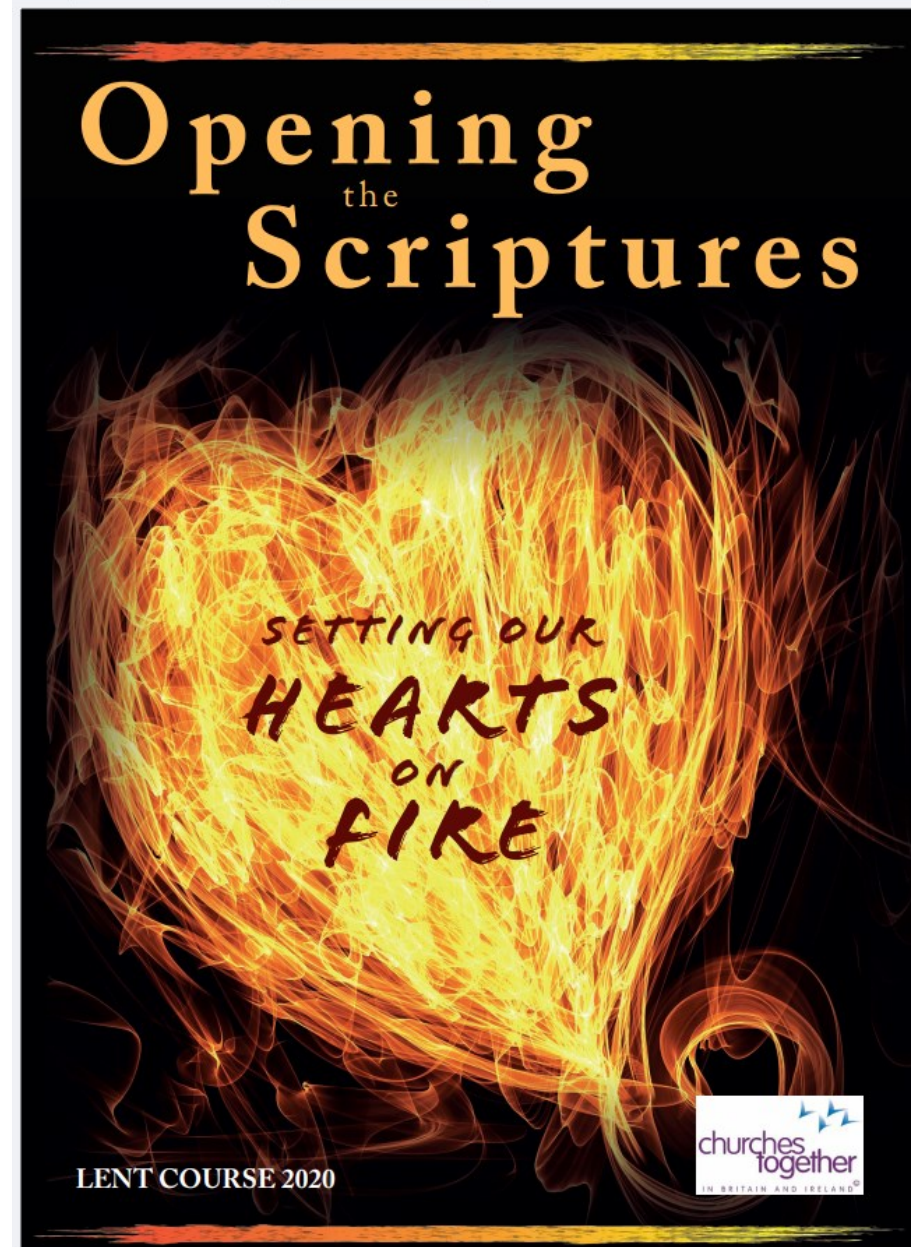
began on 14th February

This course comes to us highly recommended. . . .
Each session includes a passage from the Bible, to
be explored with the help of music and art.

Come and find out more:

10.30am Tuesday in Empingham, at the Methodist
Church

7.30pm Monday evenings in North Luffenham, at
19 Digby Drive; do join us!



And lunches in Lent . . .

Saturday 9th March in Preston, 12 noon - 2pm

at 3 Main Street

homemade vegetable soup, cheese, bread and fruit, tea and coffee

two donation baskets, one for church and one for Christian Aid

Wednesdays, every Wednesday in Lent, in
Manton Village Hall, 12.30pm — 2.30pm

bread, homemade soup, fruit, tea/coffee

£6 per head for Save the Children,

currently working in all the war torn areas of the world

St Peter's and the Methodist Church
Empingham

SOUP LUNCH

With fruit and coffee

Thursday, 7th March at
12.30 in the Audit Hall



Donations for
Christian Aid.

Please sign up for Gift
Aid



Anglo-Saxon re-enactment -
why not join in and come
dressed as an Anglo-Saxon?



Exhibition and Book
Launch: 'Royal Rutland -
the Story of Queen Edith.'



See talented Artisans at
work - demonstrating
their skills - Mia Hansson
and her Bayeux tapestry.



Queen Edith Festival

1024 – 2024 A.D.



Displays from leading
learning centres
including
Leicester University.



Meet Queen Edith (actor), the
last Anglo-Saxon Queen who
owned most of Rutland.



Activities, Crafts, Games,
Performances. Try the
Anglo-Saxon game of Kubba
and Tafl. Can you solve the
Queen Edith Town Treasure
Trail?

Saturday 9th March 09:30 – 13:00
All Saints Oakham

10:30 HM Lord Lieutenant of Rutland



COFFEE AND CAKES

St Peter's Church

Every Wednesday

10.30 am – 12.00 noon

All welcome!



HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES



Palm Sunday - 24th March

8am – BCP Communion.

10.30am – Sung Cathedral Eucharist with Blessing and Procession of Palms.

3.30pm – Evensong with Cathedral Choir.

6.30pm – Musical reflection for Passiontide with members of the Cathedral Choir and Youth Choir.

Monday 25th - 27th March (each day)

5.30pm – Vespers with the Cathedral Choir.

8pm – Sung Compline with address.

Maundy Thursday - 28th March

10.30am – Chrism Mass with renewal of Ministerial Vows. President: The Bishop of Peterborough, Preacher: The Bishop of Brixworth.

7pm – Vigil Eucharist with stripping of the altars.

Good Friday - 29th March

12-2pm – Meditation on the Passion. A mixture of addresses, silence, prayers and hymns.

2-3pm – Liturgy of the Passion with music from the Cathedral Choir.

Holy Saturday - 30th March

8pm – Easter Vigil with Confirmation. President and Preacher: The Bishop of Peterborough.

Easter Sunday - 31st March

8am – BCP Communion.

9.15am – Choral Matins.

10.30am – Cathedral Eucharist. President and Preacher: The Bishop of Peterborough.

3.30pm – Festal Evensong with Procession.

www.peterborough-cathedral.org.uk

CATHEDRAL EASTER EGG HUNT!



Join us for the Big Cathedral Easter Egg Hunt! Explore Easter around the world as you find the clues in the Cathedral and grounds to claim an egg-tra special surprise!



MONDAY 1ST APRIL



10.30 AM - 3.15 PM



Spring Flowers Photography Workshop

A practical session capturing amazing images of a variety of Spring flowers.

Tickets are £35pp

[Book now](#)



16th March, 7 - 9pm

Music for a Spring Evening

A Spring choral celebration featuring the Cathedral Choir, Youth Choir & Festival Chorus, performed at All Saints Church, Park Road, Peterborough.

Tickets are £15pp (concessions available)

[Book now](#)



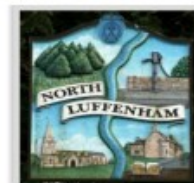
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North Luffenham Garden Club

Open meeting: Wednesday 13th March @ 7.30pm
At North Luffenham School Hall

Our Special Guest Speaker is...

Nick Bailey on '365 days of Colour in Your Garden'

BBC Gardeners' World Presenter,
Garden Maker & Best-selling Author



Plus... Garden Club Lottery with fabulous prizes

Wine, tea, coffee & treats will be available

Entrance **free** to members, £5 to non-members (payable on the door)

Please email northluffenhamgardenclub@gmail.com to reserve your seat(s)!



NHS
Leicester, Leicestershire
and Rutland

Rutland Neighbourhood Mental Health Café

Drop in support for when you're struggling
to cope

Thursdays, 5.30pm - 8.30pm
Sundays, 4pm - 7pm

Pepper's - A Safe Place
2A High Street
Oakham, LE15 6AL

Free transport is available

Email: nmc@peppersasafeplace.co.uk



Neighbourhood
Mental Health
Cafés



What's On in March Oakham



Monday 4th
Tuesday 5th

- Drop-in Session 17:30-19:30
- Drop-in Session 10:30-12:30
- Gardening 12:30-14:30 (Yoga with Tash)

Wednesday 6th
Thursday 7th

- Craft Café 15:00-17:00 (Oak Gall Ink)
- Drop-In Session 13:00-15:00
- Mindfulness and Meditation 15:10-16:10

Monday 11th
Tuesday 12th
Wednesday 13th
Thursday 14th

- Drop-in Session 17:30-19:30
- Drop-in Session 10:30-12:30
- Craft Café 15:00-17:00 (Easter Crafts)
- Tai Chi 11:00-12:00
- Drop-In Session 13:00-15:00

Monday 18th
Tuesday 19th

- Drop-in Session 17:30-19:30
- Drop-in Session 10:30-12:30
- Gardening 12:30-14:30 (Willow Weaving)

Wednesday 20th
Thursday 21st

- Craft Café 15:00-17:00 (Easter Crafts)
- Drop-In Session 13:00-15:00
- Mindfulness and Meditation 15:10-16:10

Monday 25th
Tuesday 26th
Wednesday 27th
Thursday 28th

- Drop-in Session 17:30-19:30
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Welcoming and friendly sessions open to all adults, free of charge.
Take a break and look after your mental health this month at

Pepper's- A Safe Place.

Based at 2A High Street, Oakham, LE15 6AL

www.peppersasafeplace.co.uk



Rutland Foodbank Wish-List Spring 2024



Pot noodles
Tinned carrots
Jars of jam & spread (not marmalade)
Porridge
Washing-up liquid
Deodorants for women & men
Pump handsoap
Non-bio washing pods/tablets

Not Needed at the Moment



We are well stocked
with soups, tinned
peas, tinned fish,
cereals and squash so
please do not donate
these at the moment

Please note we cannot
accept alcohol, fresh,
homemade, open or
out of date foods



Registered Charity in England & Wales Number 1158460

07582 783363 or email us info@rutland.foodbank.org.uk

36 Melton Road, Oakham, LE15 6AY (next to Domino Pizza)

We are open to receive donations Mon-Fri 10.00 – 12.00

Ali, chair of the Food Bank wrote:

‘This year we have received 617 referrals (as at 31-12-23), a 15% increase compared to the same period last year.

We are supporting 257 households across Rutland, (220 last year). Just over 33% are new households who have never needed a foodbank before.

So far this financial year we’ve provided ingredients for 32,000 meals.

Thank you!

March 2024

	3rd March Lent 3	10th March Lent 4 Mothering Sun- day	17th March Lent 5	24th March Palm Sunday	31st March Easter Sunday
Edith Weston	9.30am Holy Communion				9.30am Holy Communion <i>by extension</i>
Empingham		9.30am Holy Communion		9.30am All Age Church	9.30am Holy Communion
Lyndon	11.00am Holy Communion	9.30am <i>Morning Prayer</i>			
Manton		9.30am All Age Church B		11.00am Holy Communion B	11.00am All Age Holy Com- munion <i>by extension</i>
North Luffenham	9.30 am Holy Communion		9.30am Breakfast Church		11.00am Holy Communion <i>by extension</i>
Pilton	11.00am Holy Communion				
Preston	11.00am Prayer & Praise	11.00am Holy Communion		4.00pm <i>Evening Prayer</i>	11.00am Holy Communion
Ridlington	9.30am Morning Prayer	9.30am Holy Communion		9.30am <i>Morning Prayer</i>	9.30am Holy Communion
Whitwell			11.00 am Benefice Holy Communion		
Wing	9.30am <i>Morning Prayer</i>	9.30am Morning Prayer		9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion <i>by extension</i>

Churchwardens and others: your local source of information:

Edith Weston	(Judy Needham	01780 720609)
Empingham	John Haward	01780 460502
	John Archer	01780 460106
Lyndon	Jill Mayhew	01572 737594
	Lady Conant	01572 737275
Manton	Anne Cowan	01572 737503
N Luffenham	Janet Whittaker	01780 721216
	Patrick Woods	01780 721872
Pilton	Libby Gilman	01780 720758
	Caroline McAlpine	01780 722007
Preston	(Kay Waterworth	01572 737339)
Ridlington	Debra Thatcher	01572 823910
Whitwell	Mary Bell	01780 450205
	Tony Godwin	07906 134316
Wing	Alice Hill	01572 737516
	David Wood	01572 737465

Keeping in touch

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You are welcome to call or email:

Rev'd Pippa Madgwick 01780 721286 rectorrwb@gmail.com

Lay Readers: Caroline Simmonds Graham Madgwick

While we seek a new Associate Priest, the Benefice is most grateful for regular help from

Rev'd Jo Saunders retired priest living locally

Vyv Wainwright Lay Canon of Peterborough Cathedral

+ other retired priests helping occasionally