



The Benefice of  
Eggardon & Colmers

# PEWS NEWS

9 March 2025

First Sunday of Lent

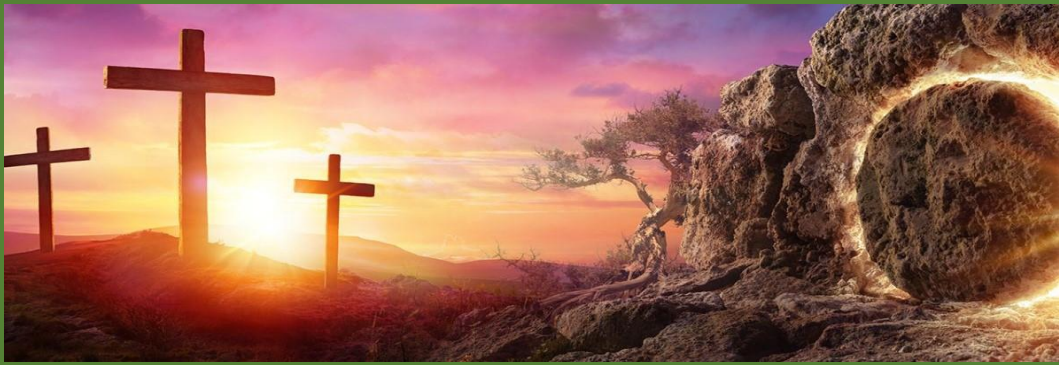
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## SERVICES

Sunday 9 March	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Symondsburry
Sunday 9 March	9.30am	Holy Communion	North Poorton
Sunday 9 March	10.30am	Morning Worship	Dottery
Sunday 9 March	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Askerswell
Sunday 16 March	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Loders
Sunday 16 March	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Powerstock
Sunday 16 March	6.30pm	Holy Communion	Broadoak
Sunday 23 March	9.30am	Holy Communion	Dottery
Sunday 23 March	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Symondsburry
Sunday 23 March	4.00pm	Songs of Praise	Askerswell
Sunday 23 March	6.30pm	Evensong	North Porton
Sunday 30 March	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	North Poorton
Sunday 6 April	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Powerstock
Sunday 6 April	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Loders

Click on this [link](#) if you would like to see who is taking each service.

## SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER



Palm Sunday 13 April	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Symondsburly
Palm Sunday 13 April	9.30am	Eucharist	North Poorton
Palm Sunday 13 April	10.30am	Dottery	Morning Worship
Palm Sunday 13 April	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Askerswell
Tuesday 15 April	7pm	Compline	Powerstock
Wednesday 16 April	7pm	Compline	Loders
Maundy Thursday 17 April	6.30pm	Maundy Thursday Eucharist & Meditation	Askerswell
Good Friday 18 April	12-3pm	Good Friday Meditation	Symondsburly
Easter Saturday 19 April	7pm	Easter Vigil & First Communion of Easter	Broad oak
Easter Sunday 20 April	9.30am	Easter Eucharist	Askerswell
Easter Sunday 20 April	11.00am	Easter Eucharist	Loders
Easter Sunday 20 April	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Powerstock
Easter Sunday 20 April	6.30pm	Easter Eucharist	Eyep
Sunday 27 April	9.30am	Holy communion	Dottery
Sunday 27 April	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Symondsburly
Sunday 27 April	6.30pm	Evensong	Askerswell
Sunday 27 April	6.30pm	Evensong	North Poorton



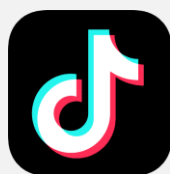
### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:  
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
and, as you know our weakness,  
so may we know your power to save;  
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.

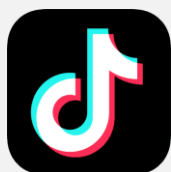


Rev Chat Episode 252 – “40 Days of Smoothies”  
The temptation of Jesus and the start of Lent.  
Click on the link to view.

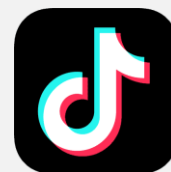
REV CHRIS' TIKTOK CHANNEL



You can check the bite-size weekly chats on aspects of the Bible by clicking on the link below. This week Rev Chris talks about Lent, temptation and reflection.



[Rev Chris' TikTok Channel](#)



## ENROLMENT ON TO THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

In every parish, there must be a church electoral roll. If you want to have a say in shaping the future of your church, you need to complete an application form. The roll must be revised annually, except in a year in which a new roll is to be prepared, and 2025 is such a year.

Rev Chris talks about the church electoral roll in his Rambling Rector for March, which is available to read through this [link](#).

An application form for enrolment is available on our website.

Click this [link](#) to take you there.

Once completed return it to your Churchwarden.

Powerstock will have a labelled box to receive them.

Thank you.

## LENT

For more information on Lent from the Church of England, click on the following [link](#).



**This Lent we are encouraged to put down deep roots of hope by connecting with God who is with us at all times.**

# CAKE



Our next CAKE café is Wednesday 2 April from 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Venue: Uploders Chapel, DT6 4NS

**Theme: Easter Reflections**

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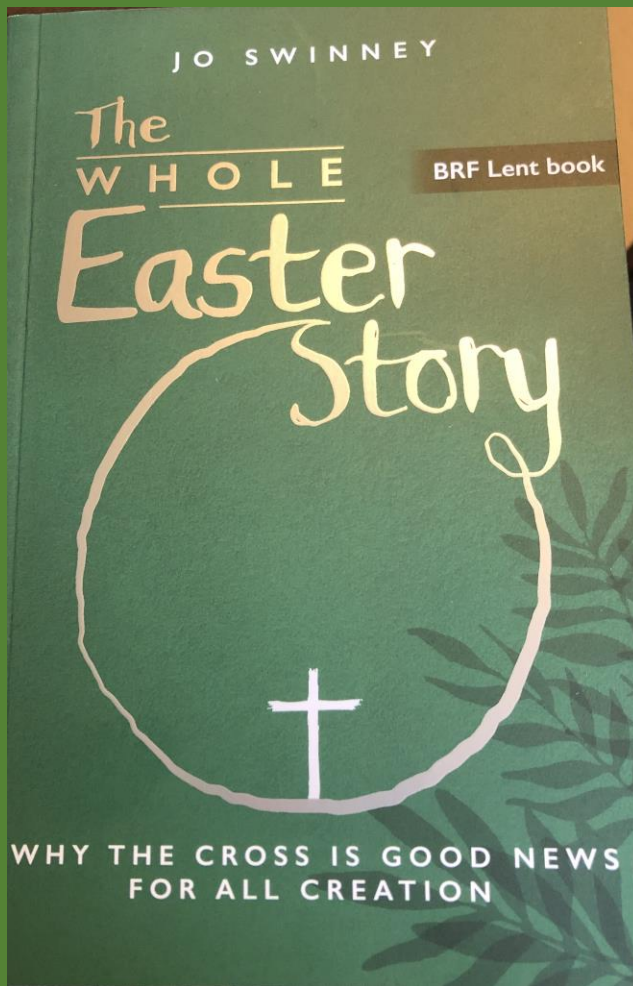
Details and lifts from Liz Guard, Lay Pastoral Assistant, 01308 485463. All welcome.

## EYPE CENTRE FOR THE ARTS



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Eype Centre for the Arts, located in St. Peter's Church, Eype, offers a venue for concerts, exhibitions and private events during the months April to October each year. Click on this [link](#) to find out what's happening in the weeks ahead.



It's not too late to join Rev Chris' Lent Course on Thursdays at 7.30pm at Uploaders Chapel.

The remaining course dates are as follows:-  
13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> March, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> April.

You will need to purchase the book independently.

The course will explore the 'The Whole Easter Story' by Jo Swinney. *'Through Bible readings, reflections and stories, discover how the cross transforms not just our own individual connection with Jesus, but also our relationships with each other and our world.'*

*Back by popular demand!*

**Lent Quiet Days**

**Choose from:**

*Saturday March 8 – fully  
booked*

**Saturday March 22**

**Saturday April 12**



*“We cannot truly appreciate the resurrection without following Christ to the cross”.*

So this Lent, take just one day out of your busy lives and give it back to God – you’ll both appreciate it!

Spend time watching, listening and really exploring the crucifixion and resurrection within an informal small group setting.

Taking place at Revd Carole’s home in Fishpond Bottom, the Quiet Day will start with worship, and a shared lunch will be provided. Weather permitting, there will also be space to walk the lanes and take in the sea views.

This is just some of the feedback from last year:

*Thank you for the various aspects of the day which worked really well: meeting up at church, the punctuated inputs, the breaks, the delicious lunch, the time together and apart - it ministered to the soul.*

*I found that the day "fed" me*

*Thank you for a wonderful Quiet Day. Just what I needed amid all the busyness here at home! I really liked the format of film/discussion/reflection time. I felt we were all able to share and contribute.*

This year, we are using excerpts from Rageh Omaar’s highly acclaimed BBC documentary series that uses on-location reporting and vivid dramatic reconstructions to explore the crucifixion and resurrection. It promises to give a unique opportunity to see these events through the eyes of the first century Middle Eastern world, by his followers, his enemies and by Jesus himself.

**Numbers for each day are limited, so to reserve a place or simply to find out more, please email Carole directly at: [carolepeters@aol.com](mailto:carolepeters@aol.com)**



## Songs of Praise - Sunday 23 March at 4pm

Askerswell's Songs of Praise service will take place on Sunday 23 March at 4pm

(please note the time as it is incorrect in the ECV magazine)

Your favourite hymns chosen by you, followed by tea and cake.  
All Welcome.

We hope to see you there.

MOTHER'S DAY BENEFICE EUCHARIST NORTH POORTON 30 MARCH



## Mother's Day Benefice Eucharist Service

On Mother's Day we will be holding a United Benefice Eucharist Service at 11.00am at St Mary Magdalene, North Poorton.

This will be a great opportunity for us to come together as a Benefice and there will be refreshments following the service.

## BIRTHS/DEATHS/MARRIAGES

Jennifer Radcliffe sadly passed away on 13th February, and her funeral will take place at St Peter's, Eype at 12 noon on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March.

## SUMMER SOLSTICE BENEFICE RETREAT 21 JUNE 2025



A Summer Solstice One Day Retreat for the  
Eggardon and Colmers United Benefice.

Led by Rev Chris Grasske and colleagues.

21st June 2025 at

Hilfield Friary, Batcombe.

Shared transport available. To book please contact:

07837287366 or email [admin@eggardoncolmerschurches.org](mailto:admin@eggardoncolmerschurches.org)

## “SAY ONE FOR ME...”

If you have any concerns that you would like Rev Chris to pray for, he has a list of people and things that he prays for every day and would happily add your request to that list.

To be added to his prayer list, send him an email or text message with “Say one for me” in the subject heading. 07977 136750 or [cgrasske@outlook.com](mailto:cgrasske@outlook.com)



## WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER VIA ZOOM 8.00AM

Each Wednesday morning, Rev Chris holds a Morning Prayer Service over zoom starting at 8.00a.m. If you are interested in joining this service, please contact Rev Chris by email and he will send you a link, so you are able to join in. Thank you.

## PRAYER TREES



We also have twisted willow ‘Prayer Trees’ in our four larger churches, where you can hang a prayer on the tree.

These are collected regularly and included in the prayers at ‘Cake’ before being passed on to Rev Chris.

## CHURCH DONATIONS

We now have facilities at Lodgers to take contactless donations and at Askerswell, Powerstock and Symondsburry donations can be made through QR codes.

We would like to thank everyone for their kind donations that help support our churches.



## LINKS TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE

[Our Facebook](#)

[Our Website](#)

If you have any relevant newsworthy items for inclusion in future editions of The Pews News, please send them to our email address below. Ensure they arrive by Thursday 12 noon so we can get them published the same week. Thank you.

## CONTACTS & INFORMATION

To receive your weekly **Pews News** and other updates from the Benefice, please email the administrator using the link here:

[Benefice Administrator Email](#)

**Neighbourhood Watch:** If you live in the Benefice and would like any help, advice or a chat, please contact the administrator who can arrange for someone from one of the local teams to get in touch.

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