

PLEASE NOTE THIS PEW SHEET COVERS 3 WEEKS

Monday 7th August

10.00am Home Worship 137 High Street
12.00 Revd Diane funeral visit
3.00pm Standing Committee meet at the Rectory

Tuesday 8th August

11.00am Prayer group meet in Church

Wednesday 9th August

11.15am Uvedale Hall Communion
MU celebrate Mary Sumner Day

Friday 11th August

11.00am Funeral of John Connell in Church
6.00pm Revd Diane Wedding rehearsal

Saturday 12th August

1.30pm Wedding of David and Alinka in Church

Sunday 13th August

9th Sunday after Trinity

Proper 14

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Monday 15th August

2.00pm Revd Diane churchyard funeral

Tuesday 15th August

Revd Diane Training Day

11.00am Prayer group meet in Church

Wednesday 16th August

2.00pm Revd Diane funeral of Maureen Fleming
3.00pm Revd Diane home Communion

Sunday 20th August

10th Sunday after Trinity

Proper 15

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 23rd August

1.45pm Revd Diane Meeting with Bishop Mike

Sunday 27th August

11th Sunday after Trinity

Proper 16

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Please include in your prayers

-for Aileen as she recovers from her operation and for Peter
-Madge and Iris
-Ruth and her family
-the Ruby family, especially Mick and Linda
-Edna
-Peter's sister Margaret
- Cora, and family on the loss of John
- the family of Pat Scott
- the family of Maureen Fleming
-Ted recovering from his fall
- Catherine's friend David and for Janet and the family.
David and Alinka as they start their married life together
- for all young people who are having to decide on their future education depending on the results of their recent exams.

We also pray for the many names that appear on our prayer board and in the prayer book located in the prayer area, and all those who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who are in pain and distress and for those who care for loved ones. Give skills to doctors and nurses and patience to all those who care for invalids.

*-Lord, awaken in us our need of you and make us hungry and thirsty for you, both as individuals and as the Church of God
-we thank you for your wisdom and truth, your understanding and generosity. We acknowledge our total dependence on you, and praise you for providing us with all we need.*

**St. John the Baptist Church
Needham Market,**

**Sunday 6th August
8th Sunday after Trinity
Transfiguration of our Lord**

8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am All Age Worship

Readings – said Eucharist

Daniel Ch7 v9-10, 13-14 pg892
2 Peter Ch1 v 16-19 pg1222
Luke Ch 9 v 28-36 pg1040

Hymns – All Age Worship

371 Jubilate everybody
376 I will enter his gates
67 Be still for the presence
870 O give thanks to the Lord
162 Father I place into your hands
332 I the Lord of sea and sky

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen

COFFEE MORNING

NB. We need 2 people to run the coffee morning on 2nd September – names on rota please. Thank you

HOME WORSHIP Monday 7th August, Tania Russell, a retired London Social Worker, will tell us about her life and work.

We meet on the first Monday morning of the month at 10 o'clock at 137 High Street, All welcome, after the worship, we have refreshment and a friendly chat.

VALUATION MORNING In association with Bishop & Miller, Valuers of Stowmarket, I am organising a Valuation Morning 9.30am-12 noon on Saturday 23rd September 2017 in the ARK. Entry will be £3 per person, regardless of how many items you wish to be valued. Oliver Miller, senior Valuer with B&M, will be carrying out sessions with individuals to do valuations on their items For those waiting their turn, there will be refreshment as well as a Tombola in the main room throughout the morning. *Do you have something in the attic you've always wondered about? Then please do come along on the 23rd September - you may get a pleasant surprise!* (All proceeds to Church Funds). Ann Levett

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CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER - yes I know we are still in the season of Summer!!! but at their last meeting the PCC discussed updating the format for Bazaar in the hope of encouraging more people to come along and hopefully bring their family and friends. In order for this to happen we need one or two volunteers to get together to come up with some ideas of what could be done, then others to join with them to make it happen. If you are prepared to take on this challenge then have a word with either Revd Diane or David Long so we can get the ball rolling. Thank you

PCC MEETING reminder to all PCC members that the next committee meeting is on Thursday 31st August 7.30pm in the ARK. I will get the previous minutes and agenda out hopefully next weekend so please check your email inbox or your pigeon holes for your copy. Thank you Carol

From the Vicarage

We are all delighted that Heritage Lottery have agreed to give us a huge sum of money towards the work on the roof and we are hugely indebted to the team who worked so hard to get that sum. We have already raised something over £100,000 and spent quite a bit of that in preparation and we still need to raise another £60,000 in order to have all the money needed. I am confident that we can do this before the end of the year; some will come from further requests to charitable bodies and some will come from our own fundraising efforts. But doing this work and the demands that this will make on us in different ways need to be considered too. Heritage Lottery are responsible for ensuring right use of community raised monies in all they do and In order to obtain the monies HLF are giving us we had to look at our life as a church and how the money they gave us would do more than simply repair the roof but also help us increase our engagement with the community. This is all included in the documentation that we had to produce and is primarily about growing the church in its outreach and community involvement. We need to consider this seriously over the coming months and begin to prepare for the things we will do. This is exciting stuff – who knew that problems with the roof would lead to mission and mission is part of our life as God's people. Doing the work on the roof will also involve challenges and changes to our worshipping life over the six months or so that we have to be out of the building! Maybe that is another positive and an opportunity. After the summer I will ask a group of people to work with me exploring how and where we might worship God over those months – even more exciting! So pray as we prepare to move forward. Blessings to all

Diane